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As the leaves turn gold and yellow...
The air turns crisp...

Thanksgiving comes, a time to remember...
Our blessings and make good cheer
with all those who are so dear.
Wishing you a Thanksgiving
as special as you are.



ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, October 10th OUR LADY'S SATURDAY (OM)

12:00 p.m. Wedding Kajan Raviraj & Krystle Bedard5:30 p.m. Special Intention for Marcel & Gisele Cadieux

(50th Wedding Anniversary)

Sunday, October 11th TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. George & Georgette Brand by the Brand family 11:00 a.m. Raynald Lafrance (1st Anniversary of Death) by

Gilles & Diane Lafrance

Monday, October 12th THANKSGIVING DAY

7:30 a.m. No Mass ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 28

Tuesday, October 13th

7:30 a.m. Dominic Cinquina by Elaine Lebrun

Wednesday, October 14th ST. CALLISTUS I (OM)

7:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph for Favor

Received by a Parishioner

Thursday, October 15th ST. TERESA OF JESUS (M)

7:30 a.m. In Thanksgiving by a Parishioner

Friday, October 16th ST. MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE (M)

WORLD FOOD DAY

7:30 a.m. Leonie Perry by Deacon Guy, Tammy & Family

Saturday, October 17th ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH (M)

5:30 p.m. Joe Mazzella by Wife Caterina Mazzella

Sunday, October 18th TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Frances Dufresne by Mary & Keith Grant

11:00 a.m. Jose Bermejo Jr. by the Family

Monday, October 19th ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS (OM)

7:30 a.m. No Mass ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 29

In Rank Order: (S) Solemnity, (F) Feast, (M) Memorial, (OM) Optional Memorial.

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION

The living flame of the Sanctuary Lamp, signifying the Eucharistic presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, is offered this week in Memory of Leonie Perry by Deacon Guy, Tammy & Family.



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"My God will supply whatever you need..."

- PHILIPPIANS 4:19

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don't live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are sceptical and say it's just coincidence. If you are sceptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month – be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works and treasure and see how God provides for your needs.

TODAY'S READINGS – OCTOBER 11TH, 2020

1st Reading: Isaiah 25.6-10a

2nd Reading: Philippians 4.12-14, 19-20

Gospel: Matthew 21.1-14

Invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.

FR. ERNEST AWAY

Fr. Ernest will be away November 8th – Dec 10th 2020 to attend to the burial of his Mom. All daily masses will be cancelled during this time. Monsignor Harty and Fr. Donnelly will preside at the weekend masses. **Please Note:** These plans could change if there is a travel ban imposed.

IN OUR PARISH

OFFICE HOURS

Office hours are Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE

Confessions will be by appointment only. Please call the office (613.932.9616) and we will schedule a time for you.

DEACON GUY'S REFLECTION

How often do we hear or say the words, "How are you?" Most times this is a brief exchange as we pass by, instead of a true interaction.

Typically the response we give or hear is "Fine" or "Busy", and then we continue to go about our day.

Imagine if we change our response to "Loved", then we would know if that person is really listening.

How would you reply if they asked "Why, are you loved"? The answer is simple "I am a child of God."

PLEASE NOTE

On First Friday of the Month, November 6th, there will be no Adoration, and Confessions are by appointment only until further notice.

PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION CONCERT

The Patrons of St. Columban Foundation presents a fundraising Celtic concert on **Sunday October 25 at 2 p.m.** in St. Columban's Church. The musical entertainment will feature the Brigadoons. Funds raised at the concert will be directed to pay for the major repair work on the church steeple cross. Admission is freewill donation. Cheques are payable to Patrons of St. Columban Foundation.

In accordance with the present Provincial Covid-19 regulations, all attendees are required to wear masks and maintain social distancing of 6 feet (2 metres). At the present time, attendance is limited to 50 persons for performing arts events. Persons planning to attend should reserve in advance by calling Brian Lynch at 613-933-8353.

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If you wish to donate simply put your donation in an envelope and address it to St. Vincent de Paul and deposit it in the weekly collection basket and it will get to us. If you provide your address, a tax receipt will be mailed to you for any donation in excess of \$10.00. Thank you for all your efforts.

PARISHIONERS THAT CANNOT ATTEND SUNDAY MASS

Please know that the Archbishop has extended the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for those who are unable to attend at this time.

IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

CONTINUING COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

We received a memo from the Episcopal Vicar Fr. Sean Wenger reminding all the parishes to continue the COVID protocols in our parishes.

With the increase in numbers of COVID cases we thought it a good time to review the protocols at St. Columban Parish.

- Masks must be worn before entering the church: masks should cover your nose, mouth and chin.
- Once inside the church you will **sanitize your hands**.
- Sit in the pew with the green tape.
- DO NOT change pews once you are seated.
- Washroom is for emergency only, use the Lysol wipes provided to wipe down the surfaces you use and discard in the garbage provided.
- When Mass is over leave your kneeler in the down position so those who are sanitizing the pews can do so quickly and more efficiently.
- Bulletins are not to be taken to the pews.

Beginning October 3rd & 4th we have changed the way we can enter and exit the church. You can now enter through the east and west side doors as well as the 4th street doors.

You must exit by the east and west side doors only (please sit closest to the door you will exit from as to avoid crossing the path of other exiting parishioners). The side pews will exit first and then the center pews will follow. Please follow the tape on the floor to ensure that the 6ft social distancing protocol is followed.

Go directly to your vehicles and do not congregate at the

If you are unwell or have a fever it is your moral obligation to stay home.

Please help us to keep our church open and safe. Volunteers are needed to help before or after all masses to greet and assist parishioners and to help sanitize the pews. Please call the office during regular business hours.

Ministry volunteers are urgently needed, please prayerfully consider serving in one of these ministries.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT THE AGORA HALL **CANCELLED**

Due to the need for social distancing during this time of COVID, I feel it is not possible to keep all safe. I ask all Christians to reach out to those we know are alone and to check on our neighbors and pray for an end to this very virulent virus. May God bless all who have been our army of love. Hopefully we will return in 2021. Darlene Walsh

OFFERTORY

The collection of the offertory has revert back to normal with the ushers collecting from the pews.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 27, 2020

Sunday Envelopes 3,258.00 Loose Collection 204.15 Total \$ 3,462.15



The parish currently has openings for your Mass Intention. Do you have something to be thankful for, does someone you know need prayers, are you praying for a special need. By having a mass said it allows our parish community to offer their prayers along with you for your intention, we don't have to be alone in prayer. We welcome all those who would like to have a mass or a number of masses said for their intentions.

POPE FRANCIS OCTOBER INTENTIONS

The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTRE BOOKSTORE UPDATE

The Catholic Information Centre is now OPEN on Saturdays, from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Weekday hours are Monday to Friday, 10 - 4 p.m. We are located at 146 Chevrier Ave. for your Catholic needs - Tel: 613-933-5099.

PLEASE NOTE: Access the Diocesan Website for further updates concerning Masses, and COVID-19, using address: https://eng.alexandria-cornwall.ca

ST. JULIEN'S CHAPEL UPDATE – Aug 30th



After consultation with our Church leaders, the Chapel will remain open as a place of prayer during this difficult time. Adorers are not held to their committed hours. Many of us have been advised to stay home and we should respect that. We encourage you to pray at home during that hour.

Please do not come if you have any signs of illness or have been travelling within the last two weeks.

They have added one more chair, for a total of 4. One chair is being assigned to the designated hour adorer.

That guarantees a place for people coming at their designated hour. It also means that if there are already 4 people there when someone arrives on the hour to claim that seat, someone hopefully will give up their seat. It will be a rare situation. Our goal is to have one person present with Jesus from 6 am to 9 pm, for now. Our busiest hours are typically 2-4 pm in the afternoon. The chapel will remain open over-night as well for those who wish to visit. Filling those hours is more difficult.

Pray please for relief for those who are ill, alone, or afraid and for medical staff serving those in need of treatment as well as the public who continue to serve us in stores and other businesses.

May God bless us and keep us close to Him.



Christ Is Everything for Us work for the good of all, and the family of the faith" (Galatian



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