

God has given us a great harvest in our children and they are a precious gift from God. Like the greedy tenants, there are things in our lives that take us away from our responsibilities to our children. Of course, we need to support our families, but do our friends, hobbies, ambitions sometimes get in the way of family time? Today's gospel challenges us to appreciate the fruits of our harvest.

ST. COLUMBAN

PARISH

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

OCTOBER 04, 2020

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MASSES & SACRAMENTS

Saturday Vigil	5:30 PM
Sunday	7:30, 9:30 & 11:00 AM
Tuesday – Friday	7:30 AM
Confession	By appointment only, Tuesday - Thursday
Baptism	Please notify one month in advance
Marriages	Please notify 6 months in advance

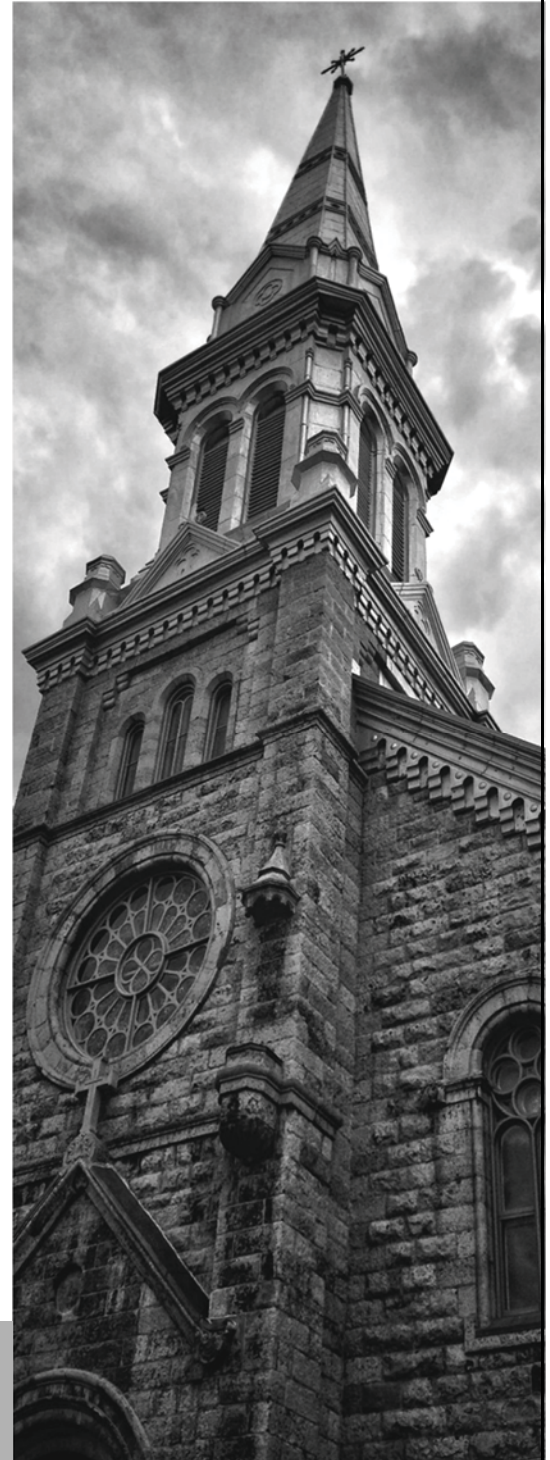
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ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, October 03rd OUR LADY'S SATURDAY (OM)

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY - FIRST SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. For the Healing & Conversion of Our Children & Grandchildren by a Parishioner

5:30 p.m. Jacques Cadieux by Marcel & Gisele Cadieux

Sunday, October 04th TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Peter Piquette by Wife Betty Piquette

11:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony for Favour Received by Kevin Amyotte

Monday, October 05th

7:30 a.m. **No Mass** ORDINARY TIME – WEEK 27

Tuesday, October 06th BLESSED MARIE-ROSE DUROCHER or ST. BRUNO (OM)

7:30 a.m. Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner

Wednesday, October 07th OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY (M)

7:30 a.m. Harry & Florence Fisk by Bob & Dana Fisk

Thursday, October 08th

7:30 a.m. Ann Kroon by Agnes McKissock

4:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal Kajan Raviraj & Krystle Bedard

Friday, October 09th ST. DENIS AND COMPANIONS (OM)

ST. JOHN LEONARDI (OM)

7:30 a.m. Patricia Doyle by Bridget Brennan

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

12:00 p.m. Wedding Kajan Raviraj & Krystle Bedard

5:30 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

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

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"The stone the builders rejected has become the corner stone..."

MATTHEW 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens. Living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others in today's society. For example, saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract strange looks from some. But to others it is a sign that God is alive and well!

TODAY'S READINGS – OCTOBER 04TH, 2020

1st Reading: Isaiah 5.1-7

2nd Reading: Philippians 4.6-9

Gospel: Matthew 21.33-43

The landowner will lease the vineyard to other tenants.

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.

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.

A PRAYER FOR THE BEGINNING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

Heavenly Father we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit. Be with all the children as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and all support staff. Give them strength and grace as they adjust to the many changes they find this year; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts. Keep them healthy and safe. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LIFE CHAIN

Please show your support for our preborn children by joining us for this silent, peaceful family event on **Oct 4, 2:00-3:00 pm**. *Two Locations:* Brookdale and Ninth (meet by the bank); Marleau and McConnell (meet at Little Caesar Pizza on the north-west corner).

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.

THE SANCTUARY LAMP

The sanctuary lamp is a special lamp which is kept close to the tabernacle. The sanctuary lamp remains alight to indicate and honour the presence of Christ.

The living flame of the sanctuary lamp signifies the Eucharistic presence of our Lord Jesus Christ. Sponsorship of the Sanctuary Lamp is available for a week long period of time. Stipend is \$20.00 per week and the intention will be listed in the bulletin.



IN OUR PARISH AND DIOCESE

ROSARY RALLY – SATURDAY OCT. 10TH

In following with the new guidelines for outdoor gatherings, the Rosary Rally will be held in Blessed Sacrament Church on Tollgate Road. The event is held on **Saturday, October 10th**. Everyone will wear a mask and sanitize hands on arrival. Please try to arrive early as there are handouts; a programme, a registration form, and a list of reasons and intentions for the 2020 Rosary Rally. People will be escorted to seats. The capacity is 100, if families sit together. Otherwise there is room for 70 individuals. Programmes and registration forms will be collected at the end of the service.

We invite all Churches to ring their bells at 12:00 noon. These joyful sounds will serve as a reminder for people, at home, to join us in the recitation of the rosary in remembrance of Our Lady of Fatima.

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

CHANGES TO ENTERING AND EXITING CHURCH

With winter approaching and to ensure the safety of those attending mass during the harsher weather we have revised the way we enter and exit the church. Beginning Oct 3rd & 4th you can now enter thru the main doors on 4th Street and also the east and west side doors. Please sanitize your hands on entering and avoid crossing in front of others. To exit the church you will exit out the east and west side doors only. Side pews are to exit first and then the center pews. Social distancing of 6 feet is to be maintained and you are to go directly to your vehicles and not gather at the doors of the church.

BULLETINS

Bulletins are not to be taken to the pews. As you exit the church you can pick up a bulletin to take home.

OFFERTORY

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

DEVOTION/VOTIVE CANDLES

To avoid service contact we are still not lighting the Devotion/Votive Candles in the church. You can purchase a candle to take home for \$5.00 and you can return the empty glass container to the church.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	3,4442.00
Loose Collection	195.35
Total	\$ 3,637.35

POWER of PRAYER

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.



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for Us
"Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith" (Citation 6, 06)



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