

27TH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

6 OCTOBER 2013

St. Columban Parish

36 Fourth St. West, Cornwall, ON K6J 2R6

Masses: Sat: 7 p.m., Sun: 7:30, 9:30, 11:00 a.m., Weekdays: 7:30 a.m.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD TO MY LIFE

Today's Readings:

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Luke 17:5-10

Is there a particular reading that appeals to you? Is there a word or image that challenges you?

Further Reflection:

CCC: 162
CCCC: 28
YOUCAT: 21

SCRIPTURE BACKGROUND

In the Old Testament reading today the prophet Habakkuk questions God. The prophet asks why God allows evil to flourish in the world while good people suffer. It is clear that the violence and destruction that surrounds Habakkuk troubles him. Out of desperation the prophet cries out to God for help. God answers Habakkuk and tells him to write down the vision he receives and to trust that his prayers will be answered in their own time. The prophet is encouraged to have faith and to press forward trusting in God.

In today's Gospel Jesus teaches His disciples about faith. Using the example of a tiny mustard seed, Jesus makes the point that even the smallest amount of faith can enable one to do amazing things.

The Gospel passage goes on to compare the disciples with servants or slaves. Jesus challenges His disciples to reach beyond just following rules and doing what is expected of them. Jesus makes it clear that if the disciples do only what is required of them, they have only done the minimum. Faith enables those who follow Jesus to go beyond doing the minimum and to actively spread peace, justice, and love throughout the world.



A KEY THEME: ALL CHRISTIANS SHARE IN THREE-FOLD MINISTRY

Through Baptism and Confirmation all believers are anointed in the common priesthood to share in Christ's work as priest, prophet, and king. The common priesthood empowers the faithful to spread God's love, peace and justice throughout the world.

THINKING ABOUT IT

In the Catholic Church there is a difference between the common priesthood of all believers and the ordained priesthood. The ordained priesthood is conferred by the Sacrament of Holy Orders. In the Sacrament of Holy Orders, bishops, priests, and deacons are ordained to serve the whole Church.

- How do you share in Christ's work?
- How does the ordained priesthood differ from the common priesthood?
- How do ordained ministers serve the Church?

THE GOSPEL IN LIFE

As a faithful follower of Jesus, how can you serve others this week?

Excerpted from RCL Benziger Lectionary Resources



PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Dan VanDelst, Pastor
Rev. Mr. Marcel Brunet, Deacon

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Mrs. Kelly Poitras

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Evenings by appointment

BAPTISMS

By appointment 1 month in advance

MARRIAGES

Please give 6 months notice

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday 6:15 to 6:45 p.m.

Also by appointment

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WEBSITES

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Saturday, October 5th

7 – 7:25 a.m. Confessions

8:00 a.m. Shana McGlynn (1st Anniversary of death)
by Mom, Dad & son Lucas

3 – 4 p.m. Confessions

6:15-6:45 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. George & Carmel Belmore by the family

Sunday, October 6th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of Parishioners

9:30 a.m. Pete Piquette by wife Betty Piquette

11:00 a.m. Paul Emile Sauve (1st Anniversary of death)
by daughter Marie Sauve

2:00 p.m. *Foundation Concert (The Brigadoons)*

Monday, October 7th

7:30 a.m. George Watson by wife Isabel & family

Tuesday, October 8th

7:30 a.m. Hector MacNeil by the Campbell family

Wednesday, October 9th

7:30 a.m. Sylvia Etwell Shaver by daughter Kelly Poitras
and family

Thursday, October 10th

7:30 a.m. Lauretta Taillon by Mervin Hutt

Friday, October 11th

7:30 a.m. John Hutt by Mrs. Chalette

Saturday, October 12th

2:00 p.m. Wedding Sean Stephenson & Melanie Charlebois

3:00 – 4:00 p.m. Confessions

6:15 – 6:45 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Eleanor Morris by the family

Sunday, October 13th

7:30 a.m. Intentions of parishioners

9:30 a.m. Cisca Van Kessel by St. Columban Music Ministry

11:00 a.m. Kathleen Landon by Janie, Joe & family

Monday, October 14th

7:30 a.m. John Hutt by Don & Linda Willard

ST. COLUMBAN'S PARISH ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER

will be held at St. John's Church Hall, 28 2nd. St. East

4 TO 6:30 P.M., SUNDAY, 27 OCTOBER

\$12. adults; \$5 children 6 to 12; under 6 are free

PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO ASSIST WITH OUR PARISH SUPPER

Sign up sheets are on radiators at all entrances of the church.
High school students are welcome and may use this opportunity
to obtain volunteer hours. Thank you everyone for your
assistance to make our supper a success.

Any questions please call Teresa MacInnis at 613-932-7091

IN OUR PARISH

COLLECTION – 22 SEPTEMBER – THANK YOU

Sunday Env.	\$ 4,157.50	Book Table	\$ 33.00
Loose	457.79	Candles	146.35
Total	\$ 4,615.29		

PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION PRESENTS

Fundraising Celtic Concert

2 P.M. THIS SUNDAY, 6 OCTOBER



Musical entertainment by

The Brigadoons

performing the songs of

Scotland, Ireland & Glengarry County

here at St. Columban's Church.

Tickets \$10. are available at the door. Please plan to attend and invite family and friends to join you. Funds raised are for major repair work on the church.

MEN AND WOMEN OF THE PARISH

are asked to prayerfully consider becoming
READERS AND/OR SACRISTANS

Generally, you will perform this service at one weekend Mass per month. Training is provided.

Couples are welcome to work together in these ministries.

Please let Father Dan know of your willingness to serve.

ALSO: USHER NEEDED FOR 7:30 A.M. SUNDAY MASS.

PRIESTS' PENSION FUND

Last November, we approached you, for the first time to ask your help with the funding of our priests' pension plan. We told you our monthly pension benefit was \$750. Our goal was to raise \$30,000. (in the diocese) to help increase the monthly pension. We were overwhelmed when the contributions were all in and we saw that you gave \$118,226. Our hearts were overflowing with gratitude. It meant we could move more quickly to increase our monthly pension. We will be increasing the pension to \$800. per month starting July 2014.

REST IN THE PEACE AND LOVE OF THE LORD

Daphne Martel, Noella Belmore
and all those who died this past week.

FROM AN INTERVIEW WITH POPE FRANCIS



Excerpts from an interview with
Fr. Antonio Spadaro, s.j.
August 2013

“The dogmatic and moral teachings of the church are not all equivalent.... Proclamation (of Jesus Christ) in a Missionary

style focuses on the essential ... We have to find a new balance; otherwise even the moral edifice of the church is likely to fall like a house of cards, losing the freshness and fragrance of the Gospel. The proposal of the Gospel must be more simple, profound, radiant. It is from this proposition that the moral consequences then flow.”

“If a homosexual person is of good will and is in search of God, I am no one to judge. By saying this, I said what the Catechism says. Religion has the right to express its opinion in the service of the people, but God in creation has set us free: it is not possible to interfere spiritually in the life of a person. In life, God accompanies persons and we must accompany them, starting from their situation. It is necessary to accompany them with mercy. When that happens, the Holy Spirit inspires the priest to say the right thing [in Confession].”

Catechism 2358 states:

They (persons with deep-seated homosexual tendencies) must be accepted with respect, compassion and sensitivity. Every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided. These persons are called to fulfill God's will in their lives and, if they are Christians, to unite to the sacrifice of the Lord's cross the difficulties they may encounter from their condition.

Explanatory Comment

The person must always be accepted, even when we cannot accept the person's actions, lifestyle or behaviour. “Acceptance” here does not mean condoning the behaviour. Rather, it means genuine Christian love, which speaks to this person in love, which accompanies this person in love, and which also requires honest dialogue about a biblical vision of human loving union on which the Church's moral teaching on human sexuality is founded.

IN THE COMMUNITY

AGAPE CENTRE FUNDRAISER – 6 P.M., FRIDAY, 18 OCT.
MURDER MYSTERY DINNER & SILENT AUCTION
at the Army/Navy/Airforce Club (14 Marlborough St)
Tickets \$35. available at Agape Centre & ANAF Club

ITALIAN FEAST 6 P.M., SATURDAY, 19 OCTOBER
Hosted by Knox-St. Paul's United Church, 800 12th Street East, 5-course Italian Dinner includes dessert, wine, and entertainment.
Advance tickets only \$25/person at Knox-St. Paul's Office

IN THE DIOCESE AND AREA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADOLESCENTS

Are you a teenager who has not been confirmed? Do you need to prepare to receive your First Communion? Do you want to become a Catholic and be baptized? Course starts in October. For more information, call Sr. Francine at 613-933-1138 x 28

YOUTH CENTER OPEN FRIDAYS 6:30 TO 8:30 P.M.

(300 Montreal Road) - For youth ages 8 to 15. Come & meet other young people to play, share, grow & learn about Jesus. For more information, call Sr. Francoise at 613-937-4956

YOUTH CONFERENCE IN KINGSTON, SAT., 19 OCTOBER

At Holy Cross Catholic High School for ages 13 to 19
Cost \$10 – bus leaves 7 a.m. returns 7:30 p.m. For details & to register, call Sr. Francine by **Mon. 7 Oct.** 613-933-1138 X 28

TURKEY SUPPER 4 TO 6:30 P.M. SUNDAY, 6 OCTOBER

HOSTED BY OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH
at Chrysler Community Centre.

Adults \$12.; ages 6 to 12 \$5; age 5 & under free.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS FUND – TURKEY SUPPER 4:30 TO 6:30 P.M., SUNDAY, 6 OCTOBER

Fundraiser sponsored by the Service Club Council
at the Canadian Legion Branch 297 - \$12./person

MINI MONSTER BINGO, 7 P.M., SAT., 12 OCTOBER

At the Agora Centre. Doors open 4 p.m. 12 cards \$21. includes specials. Bonanza extra .50. Profits for needs of Nativity Parish

4TH ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO

ST. JOSEPH'S ORATORY – SUNDAY, 13 OCTOBER

with a stop at the Shrine of St. Kateri Tekakwitha.

Pilgrimage Spiritual Guide is **Bishop Marcel Damphousse.**

Reserve now - Call Mike Budge at 613-224-8110.

NEW EVANGELIZATION – CYC – CARRY YOUR CHILDREN RETREAT FOR PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS

Shalom House, Alexandria – 7 to 9:30 p.m., Wed., 16 October
Call 613-525-1709 for more information & to register.

BINGO – 7 P.M., WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER

Precious Blood Parish Hall, Glen Walter

Added this year, Early Bird Games starting at 6:20 p.m.

ROAST BEEF DINNER 5 TO 7 P.M., THURS., 17 OCT.

Hosted by St. Francis de Sales K of C 11531
in St. Francis Parish Hall. Adults \$10; Children \$5.

TURKEY SUPPER 4 TO 7:30 P.M. SUNDAY, 20 OCT.

OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS PARISH

supper at the Roxborough Community Hall in Moose Creek.
Adults \$12. ages 6 to 12 \$5; under 6 free.

TURKEY SUPPER 4 TO 7 P.M. SUNDAY, 20 OCT.

Hosted by **NATIVITY PARISH** at the Agora Centre.
Adults \$12; ages 6 to 12 \$6; under age 6 are free

ROAST BEEF SUPPER 3:30 TO 7 P.M., SUN., 20 OCT.

Hosted by **ST. MARY'S PARISH** in Williamstown at the Parish Centre. Adults \$12; ages 6 to 12 \$6; under 6 are free

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St. Columban Parish

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