



Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.; & 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday - 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

As indicated in the weekly calendar.

RECONCILIATION

Available before weekday and Saturday Masses as indicated in the weekly calendar and by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are celebrated throughout the year. Please introduce yourself to the pastor after mass. See parish website for further information.

MARRIAGE

Please make an appointment with the pastor as soon as a decision is made to marry. A minimum of nine months notice is required. Please make no other arrangements until a date is confirmed with the parish. A marriage preparation course, offered in our pastoral region, is required.

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Kim Baudouin 613-884-8475

PASTORAL CARE

A Pastoral Care Team visits sick or elderly members of the parish in their homes or in hospital. To arrange for Communion, the Sacrament of the Sick, or a visit, please contact the Pastor.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Claire Moore, President 613-612-1659

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

James MacLean, Grand Knight 613-831-8617

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Alex Golob, Chair 613-410-1896

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

St. Bernadette Elementary 613-907-4122
Guardian Angels Elementary 613-836-7423
Holy Spirit Elementary 613-831-1853
St. Stephen Elementary 613-831-8844
Sacred Heart High 613-831-6643



PARISH REGISTRATION: If you are new to our Parish Community, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket.

Names: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sep 15 – 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 50.5-9
James 2.14-18
Mark 8.27-35

Sep 22 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 2.12,17-20
James 3.16-4.3
Mark 9.30-37

Parish Calendar

Mon, Sep 16 St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian
9:00 am Mass
6:30 pm RCIA
7:00 pm Catholic Women's League Executive
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus meeting
Tue, Sep 17
7:00 pm Mass
7:00 pm Finance Council meeting
Wed, Sep 18
9:00 am Mass
7:00 pm Paint Night
Thu, Sep 19
9:00 am Mass
9:30 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests
6:30 pm Youth Night Grades 3-5
Fri, Sep 20 St. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn Priest, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang & Companions
9:00 am Mass
9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group
Sat, Sep 21 St. Matthew
4:15-4:45 pm Reconciliation
5:00 pm Mass
Sun, Sep 22 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Mass
10:30 am Mass

* Confession available before morning Mass 8:30-8:50am

To all parish's generous faithful Thank you to all who donate to the ongoing operation of the parish. For e-Transfer please send it to admin@holyspiritparish.ca and use the password: Holyspirit (*all one word with a capital H*). We currently have a significant number of parishioners who contribute via bank auto debit. If you would like more information about the program or wish to participate, please contact the parish office at 613-836-8881 or email admin@holyspiritparish.ca.

COMING SOON...

SUNDAY 11:00 AM MASS

Starting on Sunday, October 6, 2024, the weekend Mass schedule will be 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM.

CHANGE OF SUNDAY MASS TO 11:00 AM

On October 6th, the 10:30 am Mass will move to 11 am from then onwards. The reasons are: to give more time between the 9 am Mass and the next Mass to participate in the Coffee Socials and also to help with traffic flow and set up between Masses, especially on busy Sundays with special Masses or events.

Mass Intentions

Mon, Sep 16 – 9:00 am
Intentions of Aaron Gifford by Dolores & Warren Bahen
Tue, Sep 17 – 7:00 pm
Intentions of Jenkins Family by Garvey family
Wed, Sep 18 – 9:00 am
Intentions of Robert Peter by June Peter
Thu, Sep 19 – 9:00 am
†Cathy Serran by Sandra Cybulski & Family
Fri, Sep 20 – 9:00 am
†Hugh & †Jayne Miles by Kathy & Gerry
Sat, Sep 21 – 5:00 pm
†Phil & †Josh by Joan & Family
Intentions of Colin Bahen by Dolores & Warren Bahen
Sun, Sep 22 – 9:00 am
For the intentions of all parishioners
Sun, Sep 22 – 10:30 am
Intentions of Donald Fowler by Joanne & Family
†Pasquale Iuliano & †Theresa Iuliano by Rosa & Family



Please pray for those who are sick: Mike

Please pray for those who have died: †

Indicates Deceased.

Outdoor Mass Celebrating the Season of Creation

A collaboration between St. Basil Parish and Kateri Native Ministry the Outdoor Mass at the Naatagama Camp in Fitzroy Harbour (5642 Ferry Rd, Fitzroy Harbour) will be held on Sat, Sep 21 at 11am followed by an eco-lunch. Bring your own chair and cup. Call 613-729-5149 if attending or need a ride

Diocesan Holy Hour for Vocations on Sep 19, 2024 at 7:15pm Come and “pray to the Lord of the harvest” for Vocations (Mt 9:38). Everyone is invited to Notre-Dame Cathedral Basilica for an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, praying for an increase of all vocations within the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall. A social time will follow in the Café des Tours. Free parking is available in the ‘blue line section’ of the public parking lot behind the Cathedral. For more information, contact Fr. Connor O’Hara, at vocations@ottawacornwall.ca

Beware of Suspicious Emails from the Priests!

Fr. Geoff and Fr. John will **never** ask parishioners for money, gift cards or favours by email. If you receive an email supposedly from either of us that looks suspicious, call the parish. Do not respond to the email. Call anytime if you have questions! It’s a sad reality that scammers use priests’ names to prey on the generous good will of parishioners.



24th Sunday Message

Archbishop Dampousse has designated this Sunday as the time to pray for forgiveness for the scourge of the clergy abuse crisis that cruelly damaged many lives and eroded trust in the Church of Jesus Christ because of the criminal actions of some of its members and leaders. It is a hard truth to face that ministers of the Church could perpetrate such crimes. The way forward is to acknowledge the wrongs committed, to support legal processes in holding perpetrators accountable, to making restitution to victims (knowing no amount of help or compensation can undo the damage but that we can try and help provide the means of healing), ask forgiveness and take concrete steps to protect the most vulnerable in our community. Much work has been done in Canada by the Conference of Bishops to establish clear, accountable procedures for investigating allegations of abuse and to put in place procedures to screen those seeking a position of service, especially with the most vulnerable members of our parish community. In the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall, we have a Safe Environment Office with staff whose mandate is to address allegations, a team of lay people with relevant expertise to advise the bishops and parish screening procedures for clergy and those working with the vulnerable. No system is perfect but what we have in place now is a strong base to protect those in our care and to address allegations in a fair and structured manner. Please pray today for all whose lives have been touched by the scandal of abuse and those who work to create the safest environment in our parishes for all.

Father Geoffrey Kerslake

Care of Creation

Did you know that: Fossil fuel subsidies are costing Canadian taxpayers way more than the carbon tax ... And unlike the federal carbon tax, Canadians don't get a rebate.



What we can do to reduce our ecological footprint/impact on climate warming: Please consider using a portion of your Federal Climate Rebate (received every Oct, Jan, Apr and July) to invest in greening your home or your parish community. This season, we are also uniting our Christian voices to Nobel Laureates' through a joint advocacy initiative to support a halt to new fossil fuel projects. Season of Creation — The Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative (www.fossilfuel treaty.org)

The **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd** program (CGS) for the 2024-25 year will be starting up again this fall. This program is jointly administered through Holy Redeemer, Holy Spirit and St. Michael's Corkery parishes. CGS level 1 session(s) for children ages 3-5 will be held twice a week beginning early October at St. Joseph House, Holy Spirit Parish. For more information about the CGS program and for registration forms, contact Kim at 613-884-8475 or kim.baudouin@gmail.com

2024 SACRAMENT PREPARATION PARENTS ONLY MEETING (no children required): FIRST RECONCILIATION, and FIRST COMMUNION at Holy Spirit Parish Hall on: **Mon, Sep 23, 2024 at 6:30 pm; and Sat, Sep 28, 2024 at 4:00 pm.** If you have children in Grade 2 or older and wish the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion for them, please plan to attend one of these meetings. If your child was not baptized at Holy Spirit Church, we will need a copy of their baptism certificate.



PAINT NIGHT EVENT

The Catholic Women's League is hosting a paint night featuring the Paint Party Sisters on Wed, Sep 18, from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome - please bring a friend for a fun evening. Tickets must be purchased ahead of time and are \$40 per person; the price includes all supplies and light refreshments will be served. Tickets are available from Claire at 613-612-1659, email cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com

Catholic Women's League Bazaar 2024:

The CWL is in the planning stages for its annual Bazaar to be held in early November. There are currently spots available for vendors who would like to participate. If you have items that you would like to sell or know of a vendor who would like to have a table at the Bazaar, please contact Claire at 613-612-1659 or send an email to: cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com.

Momentum Catholic Single Mothers' mission is to build a vibrant faith community for Catholic single mothers. Come gather with us for faith sharing and fellowship. The first gathering of the 2024-2025 season will be Sat, Sep 28th from 1-4pm at St. Basil's Church. Light refreshments, tea and coffee, and childcare will be provided. For more information and to register please visit momentummothers.org. Save the dates for our future gatherings: Oct 26th at Divine Infant Parish (1-4pm) and Nov 30th at St. Basil's Parish (1-4pm).

14th Annual Autumn Pilgrimage to St-Joseph's Oratory on Sun, Oct 20th from the Dioceses of Ottawa-Cornwall, Gatineau, Pembroke, St-Jérôme-Mont Laurier, and Kingston. Seats are limited. Cut off date Oct 4, 2024. For info: Mike 613-224-8110 or by email: mikebudge2021@gmail.com

The **Fall 40 Days for Life** campaign, a time set aside to pray and fast for an end to abortion, is taking place from Wed, Sep 25 to Sun, Nov 3, 2024. To kick off this year's campaign, we're showing the movie *Unplanned*. This movie is not recommended for children under 12 years old. There is no admission charge, but a free-will offering will be taken up. **When:** Sun, Sep 22; from 3 pm to 5 pm. **Where:** Good Shepherd Parish, 3092 Innes Rd, Ottawa

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