

Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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PASTORAL TEAM

Father Geoffrey Kerslake, Pastor, pastor@holyspiritparish.ca Alex Ducharme, Youth/Sacramental Coordinator, youth@holyspiritparish.ca Tamara Fortin, Administrative Assistant, admin@holyspiritparish.ca

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. & 11:00 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.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

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

Louise Beggs, President cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

James MacLean, Grand Knight 613-831-8617

PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Jan Haubrich, Chair 613-850-3283

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

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



PARISH REGISTRATION: If you are new to our Paris the collection basket.	ch Community, please fill out this form and put it in
Names:	
Email:	
Address:	Postal Code:
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Feb 9 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 6.1-2a,3-8 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 Luke 5.1-11

Feb 16 – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 17.5-8 1 Corinthians 15.12,16-20 Luke 6.17,20-26

Parish Calendar

Farish Catendar	
Mon, Feb 10	St. Scholastica
6:30 pm	RCIA
7:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Tue, Feb 11	
7:00 pm	Choir Practice
7:35 pm	Knights of Columbus planning meeting
Wed, Feb 12	
1:00 pm	Blood Donor Clinic
Thu, Feb 13	
9:00 am	Children's Faith Formation
9:30 am	Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests
6:30 pm	Youth Night Grades 3-5
Fri, Feb 14	St. Cyril & St. Methodius
9:30 am	Flame of Love Prayer Group

Sat, Feb 15

4:15-4:45 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm Mass

Sun, Feb 16 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Mass 11:00 am Mass

*hospitality & coffee hosted by the Catholic Women's League after the 9 & 11 am Masses. Everyone welcome!

*Please note: No weekday Masses Feb 10-14, 2025

The **Lighthouse Youth Ministries** Youth Nights continue: this week Grades 3-5. This week's theme: Honesty. Bring a friend. Check Parish Calendar above. Our ministry is still looking for volunteers, if you feel called to help in any way, please contact Alex for next steps! youth@holyspiritparish.ca

Confirmation Preparation begins in February 2025. We need small group leaders once a week beginning February 18. If interested or for more details, please contact Alex at youth@holyspiritparish.ca

Beware of Suspicious Emails from the Priests!

Fr. Geoff will <u>never</u> ask parishioners for money, gift cards or favours by email. If you receive an email supposedly from Fr. Geoff 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.

Donate to our Parish or Youth Ministry



For e-Transfer please send it to <u>admin@holyspiritparish.ca</u> and use the password: Holyspirit (*all one word with a capital H*).

Mass Intentions

Sat, Feb 15 - 5:00 pm

Intentions of Maureen Gifford by Dolores & Warren Bahen

Sun, Feb 16 - 9:00 am

†Joe Amaral by Maria & Family †Ann Kozuchar by Kyle Vincent

Sun, Feb 16 – 11:00 am

For the intentions of all parishioners

Please pray for those who are sick: Eileen; Donald Fowler Please pray for those who have died: †

†Indicates Deceased.

PREPARING For LENT... Please return your blessed palms from last year and place them in the basket at the entrance. They will be burned and used as ashes for Ash Wednesday.

The Jubilee Year 2025: Jubilee Year resources can be found on the CCCB website at www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/the-ordinary-jubilee-of-the-year-2025/

World Day of the Sick – February 11 The ministry of Jesus to the sick is central to the life of the Church. February 11 (Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes) highlights the healing ministry of the Church. It reminds us that service to the sick and suffering cannot be neglected. It recognizes the great efforts of doctors, nurses, health care institutions and pastoral care givers to restore health to those afflicted with illness and disease.

Looking to Volunteer Occasionally? Canadian Blood Services holds blood donation events at our church. We need a volunteer willing to be the church contact during the events that take place once every couple of months. This is approximately an 8-hour commitment. If interested or for more details, please contact the parish office.

If your child was born in 2021, it's time to register them to start Kindergarten 2025 at the Ottawa Catholic School **Board!** All our schools provide a nurturing, innovative, and faith-filled environment with rich French programming, making it an excellent choice for your child as they start their schooling journey. Registering is Easy - Simply complete the online registration form and upload your documents. If questions, our Admissions you have team (Admissions@ocsb.ca) will be happy to help. Visit ocsb.ca/register to register today!

Funny for the Week: Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

Gospel Reflection: "My mouth will tell, O Lord, of your deeds of salvation." The words prophets or prophesying occur today in all three of our readings. What do prophets do? The response to the psalm helps us understand: "my mouth will tell, O Lord, of your deeds of salvation." These words are not just repetition of an ancient hymn because they reflect our gratitude for what God is doing in our own individual lives today as well.

Fr. Geoff

Understanding the Mass - Why "Chalice" and not "Cup"? In the Eucharistic Prayers during the consecration, where God transforms ordinary bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ His Son, the priest uses the words of Jesus at the Last Supper. The priest prays: "Take this all of you and drink from it, for this is the *chalice* of my blood...". Why don't we use the word "cup"? We drink from cups all the time in daily life. The Mass is not only the Last Supper – a sacred meal - it is also the Offering of Christ on the Cross – a sacred Sacrifice. "Chalice" reminds us that we are participating in the Heavenly Banquet when we celebrate Mass and not just a festive meal shared with our friends at home. The special altar vessels we use – the chalice, paten (the plate) and the ciborium (the covered dish) – are made of precious metals to remind us of the most precious substance they contain, the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ in the Eucharistic Species. Fr. Geoff

Pope St. John Paul II: Vocation Prayer Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let Your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come, follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to Your voice. Support our bishops, priests, and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to Your service. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "Yes" to the Lord Who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.

Quo Vadis? Where Are You Going? Is the Lord calling you to serve him as a priest? Join other men discerning the priesthood for monthly formation, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration on February 20 at 7:00 pm at the new Café des Tours, located in the basement of Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa. For more information, contact Fr. Connor O'Hara, the Vocations Director for the diocese, at vocations@ottawacornwall.ca

Spiritual Gifts Workshop: You are invited on a **Journey of Discovery**, a journey to discover your God-given gifts (charisms) for service and ministry. Sign up to attend an interactive workshop to be offered at St. Mary's Parish on Fri, Feb 14, 7:00pm to 9:30pm, and Sat, Feb 15, 10:00am to 4:30pm. Lunch provided. Register at spiritual.gifts@stmarysottawa.ca

Restructured Finance Committee: we have restructured our Finance Committee into a Finance Committee and a Repair and Maintenance Subcommittee. In addition, I would like us to have a Stewardship Subcommittee as well as part of our restructuring. We are working on the latter. The Finance Committee meets Monthly with me and is composed of: Jan Haubrich (Chair), Patricia Wood, Marcel Sauvé, Leo Coulas and Philip Kiazyk. The Repair and Maintenance Subcommittee is composed of Gerry Lafleur, Julian Francispillai and André Castonguay. It reports back to me and the Finance Committee. I am grateful for everyone's expertise and generous help! Fr. Geoff

This year's Coldest Walk of the Year in Stittsville is happening on February 22, 2025. The walk is a fundraiser for Lionhearts, a Stittsville-based organization focused on food recovery and food security. We are encouraging residents, community organizations, and churches to participate. You can create a team, or join an existing team, or support the walk by making a donation. Registration and more information are available here: www.cnoy.org/location/ottawastittsville

Valentines Day Takeout Feb 14th Enjoy a delicious homemade Italian dinner: meat lasagna, Caesar salad and dessert brownies from the Our Lady of the Visitation kitchen. Additional sides include: generous sized meat balls in sauce. Meals are packaged family style: 4 dinners \$100.00; 2 dinners \$50.00; meatballs 6 for \$20 or 12 for \$30. Limited number of Single serving meals available at \$25. Prepaid orders at 613-822-2007. Curb side pickup 4 pm to 6 pm Fri, Feb 14th at Our Lady of the Visitation Banquet Hall 5338 Bank St. Email office@olvottawa.ca. Include phone number. Proceeds to church building restoration.

Come walk with us! March 17 - Celebrate the 9am Mass at St. Patrick's Fallowfield, and pilgrimage to St. Patrick's Basilica. The 28 km walk will take approximately 8 hours, leaving 9:45am and concluding with a potluck reception in the Scavi of St. Patrick's Basilica. Check out the Pilgrimage details and signup! Check the route, need for a ride or able to provide a ride, optional start/finish points, potluck dish/volunteer cleanup: www.tinyurl.com/St-Patrick-Pilgrimage

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