



# Holy Spirit Catholic Parish A Welcoming Community

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## PASTORAL TEAM

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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. & 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.

### 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

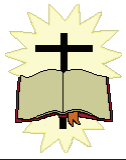
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Holy Spirit Elementary 613-831-1853  
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**PARISH REGISTRATION:** If you are new to our Parish Community, please fill out this form and put it in the collection basket.

Names: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Nov 3 – 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 6.2-6  
Hebrews 7.23-28  
Mark 12.28-34

Nov 10 – 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 17.10-16  
Hebrews 9.24-28  
Mark 12.38-44

*Parish Calendar*

**Mon, Nov 4** St. Charles Borromeo  
6:00 pm First Reconciliation Prep session  
6:30 pm RCIA  
**Tue, Nov 5**  
9:30 am Lay Apostolate of Jesus Christ the Returning King  
**7:00 pm Mass**  
**Wed, Nov 6**  
**9:00 am Mass**  
7:00 pm Choir practice  
7:00 pm CWL Bazaar Planning meeting  
**Thu, Nov 7**  
**9:00 am Mass** with Sacred Heart Grade 9  
9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd  
9:30 am Cenacle of Marian Movement of Priests  
6:30 pm Youth Night Grades 3-5  
**Fri, Nov 8**  
**9:00 am Mass**  
9:30 am Flame of Love Prayer Group  
**Sat, Nov 9** The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica  
4:15-4:45 pm Reconciliation  
**5:00 pm Mass**  
**Sun, Nov 10** 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**9:00 am Mass**  
**11:00 am Mass**

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

*There will be a special collection for Catholic Missions in Canada the weekend of Nov 9 & 10, 2024.*

**Catholic Women's League Bazaar 2024:** The CWL annual Bazaar will be Nov 16th. There will be vendors, crafts, baked goods, door prizes, raffles, White Elephant table, religious articles and more at our Bazaar. We invite all parishioners to help us. If you have knitting, sewing, craft items and baking, it would be much appreciated! We love having a variety of crafts, so please let us know if you have items to donate. Contact us at [cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com](mailto:cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com) Raffle tickets will be available for purchase next weekend after all Masses.

The **Lighthouse Youth Ministries** Youth Nights continue: this week Grades 3-5. This week's theme: Saints. 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](mailto:youth@holyspiritparish.ca)

For e-Transfer please send it to [admin@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:admin@holyspiritparish.ca) and use the password: Holyspirit (all one word with a capital H).

**SAVE THE DATE – November 16, 2024, is our Catholic Women's League BAZAAR – you don't want to miss it!**

*Mass Intentions*

**Tue, Nov 5 – 7:00 pm**  
†Phil Fitzgerald by Family  
**Wed, Nov 6 – 9:00 am**  
Intentions of Aaron Gifford by Dolores & Warren Bahen  
**Thu, Nov 7 – 9:00 am**  
†Father Norbert Cybulski by Sandra  
**Fri, Nov 8 – 9:00 am**  
Deceased members of Family by Julian & Rita  
**Sat, Nov 9 – 5:00 pm**  
†Madeleine Riordan by James  
†Sister Mary Gauthier, OLM by Carol Carroll & Family  
†Janet Lynch by Joyce Blackburn  
**Sun, Nov 10 – 9:00 am**  
†Giovanni Gabriele by Joe & Donella Gabriele  
†Barbara Murray by Patrick & Linda O'Hare  
†Msgr. Kevin Joseph Maloney by Daniel & Divina Hogan  
†Joe Amaral by Maria & Family  
†Drago & †Ankica Buljan by Buljan Family  
**Sun, Nov 10 – 11:00 am**  
For the intentions of all parishioners  
**Please pray for those who are sick:** Matt, Susan, Josh  
**Please pray for those who have died:** †Kathleen Pecoskie;  
†Jeanette Louise Luxton; †Pat Patterson



†Indicates Deceased.

**CUSTODIAN NEEDED** Holy Spirit Parish is looking for a part time custodian to do cleaning, lawn maintenance, event setup and minor maintenance in the church, hall, and grounds. This position is for 20 hours per week. Please contact Tamara in the Parish Office, [admin@holyspiritparish.ca](mailto:admin@holyspiritparish.ca) or 613-836-8881, for more information.

**Special Collection November 2 & 3: Indigenous Reconciliation Fund – IRF** The Indigenous Reconciliation Fund was established to accept donations from 73 Catholic Dioceses across the country, and to advance healing and reconciliation initiatives, fulfilling the \$30 million financial commitment made by Canada's Bishops in September 2021. The Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall's pledge is \$1.2 million over a 5-year period. The fund seeks to support projects that are determined locally, in collaboration with First Nations, Métis and Inuit partners.

**Upcoming Blood Donation Event** at Holy Spirit Parish on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Book now to donate at [www.blood.ca](http://www.blood.ca)

**Gospel Reflection:**

Jesus is asked: “Which commandment is first of all?” Our Lord’s response is the prayer that devout Jewish people pray everyday. It is the foundation of the Jewish person’s relationship with God: “Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.” Jesus adds to it “with all your mind” and he attaches a second commandment to it: “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” This addition also is found in the Old Testament. The novelty was in connecting the two together into a single commandment. These two commandments form the foundation of the life of a Christian. They belong together. They are not meant to take away our freedom but instead to provide us with the foundation for living our lives well in relationship with God and with each other based on love and service - not fear or entitlement.

*Father Geoffrey Kerlake*

**Renewed in Liturgy series 2024** will be on Nov 8th, 15th and 22nd from 7 - 9 pm at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Parish; 20 Grant St, Ottawa, with speakers, His Grace Bishop Scott McCaig, Rev. Fr. Sean Wenger, and Rev. Fr. Daniel Van Delst. Please Register online at [www.renewedinliturgy.com](http://www.renewedinliturgy.com) or call for more information at 613-355-6023.

**Catholic Singles Hiking Meetup Nov 9 from 1-4 pm** Meeting at NCC P2 Greenbelt Parking Lot (off Carling).

**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 November 14 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](mailto:vocations@ottawacornwall.ca)

**From the CCCB Concerning Lebanon:** Most Rev. McGrattan says, “There are people in Lebanon who urgently need our help at this time. That is why, in my capacity as CCCB president, I invite you to donate either to Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Canada, to the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) Canada, or to Development and Peace—*Caritas* Canada (DPCC).” He adds, “Each of these organizations will work with local agencies in Lebanon to ensure your donations bring targeted and effective relief to those who are suffering. To donate or for more info, see: Aid to the Church in Need Canada: [www.acn-canada.org/](http://www.acn-canada.org/), or 1-800-585-6333 ext. 228; CNEWA Canada: [www.cnewa.org/ca/](http://www.cnewa.org/ca/), or 1-866-322-4441; Development and Peace-*Caritas* Canada: [www.devp.org/en/](http://www.devp.org/en/), or 1-888-234-8533

*Do you have Smart Serve? Contact the parish office for details.*

**Praying for the Souls of the Departed:** Why do we pray for the souls of the departed? The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.” (CCC, 1030) This teaching is also based on the practice of prayer for the dead, already mentioned in Sacred Scripture: “Therefore [Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin.” From the beginning, the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God...” (CCC, 1032) Let us pray for our beloved departed friends and relatives and also pray for those who do not have living family or friends to pray for them this November.

A **Memorial Book** has been placed in the Atrium. In this book, all parishioners are invited to inscribe the names of their family, relatives and friends who have died and who they wish to have remembered in the prayers that will be said for them during the month of November.

**‘He Loved Us’: Pope Francis’ new encyclical on the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

“Dilexit nos,” Pope Francis’ fourth Encyclical, retraces the tradition and relevance of thought on “the human and divine love of the heart of Jesus Christ,” calling for a renewal of authentic devotion to avoid forgetting the tenderness of faith, the joy of serving, and the fervour of mission.

The Holy Spirit Parish Catholic Women’s League are preparing **Christmas Fruit Cakes** for its annual Bazaar on November 16<sup>th</sup>. You can order a cake in advance: cakes are \$10 each. Cakes will be ready for pick up on November 4 and arrangements can be made to pick up at a later date. These cakes are delicious and make a great treat. All funds raised for the Bazaar will be donated to local charity groups. If you would like to order a cake, please send an email to: [cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com](mailto:cwlholyspiritparish@gmail.com)

St. Philips Ladies Auxiliary is hosting a **Family Fun Night** Sat, Nov 16th at 6 pm in their parish hall. We will be serving up Lasagne and a fun evening of Bingo. Cost is \$15/person; \$35/per family. For more info or to purchase tickets contact Veronica at [Stphilipsladiesaux@gmail.com](mailto:Stphilipsladiesaux@gmail.com) or call 613 791-2723. Please purchase tickets by Nov 13th.

**2025 Calendars to Support the Food Bank:** Calendars are on sale for \$20 each at the parish office created by a parishioner (Jacinta Cillis-Asquith). All proceeds go to support the Stittsville Food Bank: A potential Christmas gift perhaps if you want to get a jump on your shopping!

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