

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<p>Saturday, February 18th 5:00pm Pro Populo</p> <p>Sunday February 19th 9:00am Jeannette Beauchamp by David & Evelyn 11:00AM Annie Emberg by Peggy Wilson</p> <p>Monday, February 20th 8:00am Deceased owners of Cornwall Motor Sales by Bob & Elaine Lauzon</p> <p>Tuesday, February 21st Saint Peter Damian 8:00am Don D'Allesio by Gerald & Lise Dicola</p> <p>Wednesday, February 22nd The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle 8:00am Roger & Ron Dupras by Catharine & Chris Dupras</p> <p>Thursday, February 23rd Saint Polycarp 8:00am Guy Marchand by Rick & Charlene Alguire</p> <p>Saturday, February 25th 5:00pm Pro Populo</p> <p>Sunday, February 26th 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am Leona Songy by Dwayne Carte 11:00am Mary Ellen McIntosh by Heather & Art Eckford</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">February 12th, 2017</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td>ENV.</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$2385.30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LOOSE</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$133.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Heat</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$1442.25</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$3960.75</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>Office Closed</u> The office will be closed on Monday, February 20th for the "Family Day" holiday.</p> <p><u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> The Sanctuary Lamp "For the Intentions of Carla DaPrat"</p>	ENV.	\$2385.30	LOOSE	\$133.20	Heat	<u>\$1442.25</u>	Total	\$3960.75
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Become a Missionary Disciple - Pre-Lenten Mission

If you are looking to have your best Lent ever then join the English parishes of Cornwall for a pre-Lenten Mission with Father Ben St. Croix, CC. Fr. Ben, who is a priest with the Companions of the Cross, is a spark the Lord uses to set hearts on fire! Fr. Ben will preach this pre-Lenten mission...

**Monday, February 20th to Wednesday, February 22nd from 7 pm to 9 pm
at St. Francis de Sales Parish.**

The theme for this mission is **Become a Missionary Disciple**. Everyone is welcome to join us for one, two or all three nights.

GLEN ROBERTSON

St-Martin-de-Tours Parish will be host to an evening of live music hosted by "Area code 613" and regional talent, along with a spaghetti supper on **Saturday March 4th, 2017 from 4 to 12pm** at the parish hall basement. Cash bar available on site. Adults \$10; 6-12 years old: \$5; Under 6: Free; Admission without meal: \$5. This is a parish fundraiser. The supper will be served from 4 to 7pm. This event is co-sponsored by the parish and the Knights of Columbus (Council 12865). An official receipt for donations of \$20 or more will be issued upon request. Everyone welcome!

HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS

Members of the "Holy Land Christians" will be visiting the parish on April 1st and 2nd. The mission of the organization is to support the presence of Christian families in the Holy Land. Most of their jobs involve hand carving olivewood to create beautiful religious sculptures. During their visit with us, they will have religious articles for sale from the Holy Land. Please mark your calendar.

Family Breakfast

K of C Council 9780 cordially invite everyone to their breakfast **Sunday, February 26, 2017** from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at St. Anthony's Parish Hall, Apple Hill. *FREEWILL OFFERING*. Everyone Welcome!

Retreat (in French) “Becoming Mercy”

The Jubilee Year of Mercy ended in November 2016. The Doors of Mercy have closed. Yet, the invitation to become a person of mercy remains ever present. A retreat, in the French language, directed by Sr. Denise Desrochers, csc from Friday, March 24 to Sunday, March 26, 2017 at Maison Shalom House, 170 St. Paul Street, Alexandria, ON. Information and Registration: Sr. Sue Burns, csc Phone: 613-525-1704 E-mail: maisonshalomhouse@bellnet.ca

Pro-Life Annual Spaghetti Supper

Pro-Life Cornwall Pro-Vie invites everyone to the Annual Spaghetti Supper on **Sunday March 12, 2017** at the Agora Centre. Meals served from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m... The menu consists of regular and gluten free spaghetti, regular and vegetarian spaghetti sauce, caesar and tossed salads, and homemade desserts. Cost is \$8.00 per adult. Children under 12 are free. Come and join us for this family friendly meal. Anyone wishing to donate a dessert or volunteer please contact Joan at 613-931-2087 for further information. Take-out orders available.

Bingo at St. Therese de Lisieux Parish

You are invited to their Bingos on Thursday, February 16th and March 2nd in their parish hall. Doors open at 5:30pm, Early Bird at 6:30pm and Bingo starts at 7:00pm. Pad of 15 cards for \$20 includes specials; additional cost for 50/50 games. Amount to be won \$1,100 plus the 50/50 games.

BOOK CLUB / DISCUSSION

Language of the Heart – How to Read the Bible (by Noel Cooper)

Come join us for 7 weeks – Thursday, March 2 to Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. (not on Thursday of Holy Week). Books available on loan. Bring your bible. *“The essential purpose of Scripture study is to enable believers to seek strength and meaning in Scriptures.”* Cost is \$35.00. Location is at Maison Shalom House, 170 St. Paul Street, Alexandria, ON. Information and Registration: Sr. Sue Burns, csc Phone: 613-525-1704 or E-mail: maisonshalomhouse@bellnet.ca

Bereaved Families of Ontario

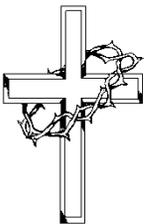
The next Adult Afternoon Support meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 28th from 1:00pm to 3:00pm at 216 Montreal Road. For information call 936-1455.

“COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR” WALK on Saturday, February 25th

IT’S COLD OUT THERE! – A fund-raiser for the Agapè Centre - The Agapè Centre invites you to participate in this 2, 5 or 10 KM walk taking place in 100+ cities across Canada. Locally, it’s a fund-raiser to support the work of the Agapè Centre. Participate by putting together a team, by joining a team or by sponsoring a walker. The goal is to raise \$25,000 by February 25th. For more information, to register or to sponsor someone, visit www.canada.cnoy.org/loction/cornwall or contact Jim Healey at 613-874-9934 or jim@roadsigns.ca.

Fun Event!! Casino Night

You are invited to a Casino Night at the Rideau Carleton Raceway on March 4th. Cost is \$15 per person (the casino gives \$10 match play). **CHEO** will get \$15 per person **CHEO WINS!!** Buses will depart First Student @ 120 Tollgate at 4pm and return at 9pm. To purchase your ticket, please call First Student at 613-938-8000. There will be a 50/50 draw on each bus and all proceeds donated to **CHEO**. Cash or credit card accepted.



Our Lent 2017

Ash Wednesday will be March 1st. Please note that there will be several services during the day. I would ask that each of you attend one of the services and begin your Lent in preparation for the great day of EASTER.

The schedule of celebrations will be as follow masses at 8:00am, 9:30am (St Matthew High School) and at 7:00pm. We will also have a liturgy of the word at Sacred Heart School at 12:30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us at one these celebrations.

Mass Intentions

What does it mean to have a Mass "offered" for someone?

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as on a birthday), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical "*Mirae caritatis*" (1902) beautifully elaborated this point and emphasized the connection between the communion of saints with the Mass: "The grace of mutual love among the living, strengthened and increased by the sacrament of the Eucharist, flows, especially by virtue of the Sacrifice [of the Mass], to all who belong to the communion of saints. For the communion of saints is simply ... the mutual sharing of help, atonement, prayers and benefits among the faithful, those already in the heavenly fatherland, those consigned to the purifying fire, and those still making their pilgrim way here on earth. These all form one city, whose head is Christ, and whose vital principle is love. Faith teaches that although the august Sacrifice can be offered to God alone, it can nevertheless be celebrated in honor of the saints now reigning in Heaven with God, who has crowned them, to obtain their intercession for us, and also, according to apostolic tradition, to wash away the stains of those brethren who died in the Lord but without yet being wholly purified."

In his encyclical "*Ecclesia de Eucharistia*," our beloved late Holy Father, Pope John Paul II, taught, "In the celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice, the Church prays that God, the Father of mercies, will grant His children the fullness of the Holy Spirit so that they may become one body and one spirit in Christ. In raising this prayer to the Father of lights, from whom comes every good endowment and every perfect gift, the Church believes that she will be heard, for she prays in union with Christ her Head and Spouse, who takes up this plea of His Bride and joins it to His own redemptive sacrifice" (No. 43).

Please keep in mind that the tradition of offering Masses for others, particularly the dead, originates in the very early Church. Inscriptions discovered on tombs in Roman catacombs of the second century evidence this practice: for example, the epitaph on the tomb of Abercius (d. 180), Bishop of Hieropolis in Phrygia, begs for prayers for the repose of his soul. Tertullian (c. 200) attested to observing the anniversary of a spouse with prayers and sacrifices, i.e. the Mass: "Indeed she prays for his soul, and requests refreshment for him meanwhile, and fellowship with him in the first resurrection; and she offers her sacrifice on the anniversaries of his falling asleep" (*On Monogamy*, X). Moreover, the *Canons of Hippolytus* (c. 235) explicitly mentions the offering of prayers for the dead during the Mass. St. Cyril of Jerusalem (d. 386), in one of his many catechetical discourses, explained how at Mass both the living and dead are remembered, and how the Eucharistic Sacrifice of our Lord is of benefit to sinners, living and dead. St. Ambrose (d. 397) preached, "We have loved them during life; let us not abandon them in death, until we have conducted them by our prayers into the house of the Lord." St. John Chrysostom (d. 407) stated, "Let us help and commemorate them. If Job's sons were purified by their father's sacrifice, why would we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation? Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them." St. Augustine (d. 430) recorded the dying wishes of his mother, St. Monica in his *Confessions*: "One thing only I ask you, that you remember me at the altar of the Lord wherever you may be." Finally, Pope St. Gregory (d. 604) said, "Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them."

Given this understanding, we can add some specifics. When a priest offers Holy Mass, he has three intentions: First, to offer the Mass reverently and validly in accord with the norms of the Church. Second, to offer the Mass in union with the whole Church and for the good of the whole Church. Third, to offer the Mass for a particular intention, such as the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

Therefore, the effects of the Mass bring certain benefits or fruits. The general fruits of the Mass are the effects upon the whole Church — to the living faithful as well as the poor souls in purgatory. For this reason, in the Canon of the Mass (the Eucharistic Prayer), a special mention is made for both the living and the dead.

The special ministerial fruits of the Mass are applied to the particular intention of the Mass, i.e. "for whom the Mass is offered."

The special personal fruits of the Mass benefit the celebrating priest who acts in the person of Christ in offering the Mass and to the people who are in attendance and participate in the offering of the Mass.

These fruits are both extensively and intensively finite, since each of us is finite. Therefore, the more a Mass is offered, the more benefit is conferred. For example, all things being equal, 10 Masses offered for the repose of a soul confer 10 times the benefit of one Mass.

Can you Help?

Holy Trinity Catholic Secondary Schools' Recreation and Fitness Leadership class is preparing for another semester of exciting outdoor adventures. The course includes introduction of the students to a variety of outdoor activities including snowshoeing, cross country skiing, canoeing, and camping. The HT Outdoor Recreation program is seeking donations of used gear such as snow shoes and cross country ski equipment including skis, poles, and boots. If you, or anyone you know of, has equipment that is lying around, it would be much appreciated and enjoyed by the students at HT. The School's phone number is (613) 936-0319; thank you in advance for your generosity.