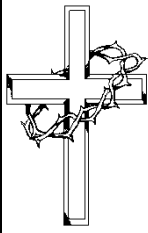


8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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| <p>Saturday, February 25th 5:00pm Pro Populo</p> <p>Sunday February 26th 9:00am Leona Songy by Dwayne Carte 11:00AM Mary Ellen McIntosh by Heather & Art Eckford</p> <p>Monday, February 27th 8:00am For the Souls in Purgatory by Bernadette Blakely</p> <p>Tuesday, February 28th 8:00am Marta Miotto by Mr. & Mrs. Joe Belmonte</p> <p>Wednesday, March 1st ASH WEDNESDAY 8:00am Bernadette St. Louis by Sally Grant 9:30am Kyle Creskey by the school community 12:30pm Liturgy of the word at Sacred Heart School 7:00pm For the intention of Spiritual Growth by a parishioner</p> <p>Thursday, March 2nd 8:00am Rocco Marzano by Gina Scanga</p> <p>Saturday, March 4th Saint Casimir 5:00pm Tracey Firth by Linda, Glen & Derek Runions</p> <p>Sunday, March 5th First Sunday of Lent 9:00am Bryce Shaver by Norma Shaver & family 11:00am Pro Populo</p> | <p>February 19th, 2017</p> <p>ENV. \$2838.10 LOOSE \$218.09 Total \$3056.19</p> <p><u>Sanctuary Lamp</u> The Sanctuary Lamp is "For Peggy Corcoran and Catherine " by Janet MacDonald.</p> <p><u>Finance Council Meeting</u> Members are reminded of the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, March 8th at 6:30pm in the McPhail Room.</p> |
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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.

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.

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 Bingo on Thursday, 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

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.

Women's Morning of Reflection

Please join us **March 4, 2017** from 9:30 am - 12:00 at the Centre Charles-Emile Claude on Chevrier St., Cornwall for mass, confession, breakfast, a talk and the rosary. The documentary Euthanasia Deception with Alexander Shadenberg will be shown and Kim Walsh, a lawyer and the chancellor for the diocese will give a short presentation about what you need to know to protect you and your family. A free will offering of \$5 is appreciated. Phone Heidi Krol 613 347 7561 or Marilyn Light 613 537 2021 for any inquiries.

Quilts on the Seaway

The Cornwall Quilting Guild is presenting <<Quilts on the Seaway>> - a display of incredible artistic quilting talent on Friday, April 21st from 10 AM to 6 PM and Saturday April 22nd 2017 from 10 AM to 4:00 PM at St. John's Presbyterian Church, 28 Second St., Cornwall, Ontario. Merchant Mall, Sale Boutique, Bed Turning event and so much more. Admission \$6.00 per person. Come and feast your eyes on beautiful works of art.

Message from St. Vincent de Paul Society

As Lent approaches we are again providing our Lenten Calendar for those who wish to participate in our seasonal food drive. At this time of year we all undertake deeds of abstinence, extra prayer and good works and as a recent scripture reading noted...“if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted your light will rise in the darkness, and your darkest hour will shine like noon.” Your participation in our ‘drive’ offers a means to live these words and has the benefit of providing for the needy in our area through the coming year. Each week a specific food product is highlighted as one of our ‘staples’, though any and all food donated will be collected and is needed. As info, our 2016 Annual Report is provided on the riverside of the calendar.

Always be a first-rate version of yourself, instead of a second-rate version of somebody else.

~Judy Garland

Roast Beef Dinner

St. Francis de Sales - K of C #11531 invite you to a **ROAST BEEF DINNER** on **Thursday, March 9th** , from **5:00-6:30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. **Adults** -\$10, **children** \$5.

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

Patrons of St. Columban Foundation Annual Chicken Dinner

The dinner will be held on Sunday, April 2nd from 4:30 to 6:30pm at the Royal Canadian Legion, corner of Cumberland and 2nd Street. Tickets are \$12 per person and are available at St. Columban's Parish Office during office hours or by calling Brian at 933-8353.

Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic

Let us pray for the 20 students and 5 adults from École secondaire catholique La Citadelle in Cornwall and l'école secondaire catholique Le Relais in Alexandria who will be embarking on their **humanitarian mission trip in the Dominican Republic** this coming Wednesday, March 1st. May the Holy Spirit watch over them and give them the strength and courage to be real examples of God's work.

Catholic Women's League Diocesan Convention 2017

The St. Andrews CWL is proud to host the CWL Diocesan Convention 2017 in St. Andrews on Sunday, April 30th. Workshops will be held in St. Andrews School with registration at 8:30 am. Mass is at 5:00 pm and will be followed by the Banquet in the Church Hall.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE IN FRENCH.

If you have the intention to get married in the Catholic Church, a marriage preparation course is necessary. There will only be one course **in French, in 2017, 1-2 of April**. Please contact Maurice or Claudette Poirier, responsible for the francophone course, at the following number: 613-931-1597, or through email: mpoirier25@bell.net, if you have the intention to get married in the Catholic Church. **This course is in French.**

With the arrival of Lent on March 1st our **Share Lent campaign** will also be beginning. Be sure to pick up some of the Development and Peace literature to read about our partners in the Global South. We and our partners thank you for your generous support and solidarity.

LENT CONFESSION – DAY OF MERCY

On March 22nd, two parishes have been selected. They will be open in the afternoon and evening to welcome people for the sacrament of reconciliation. There will be several priests present during the day. Everyone is welcome... please mark that day to prepare one's heart.

March 22nd

2:00pm to 8:00p.m.

Saint Columban Parish

14h00 à 21h00

Paroisse Saint Félix-de-Valois

Eucharistic Adoration during LENT Sunday March 26th, April 2nd and 9th from 2:00pm to 3:00pm. You are invited to attend one of the following Sunday afternoons for some quality time with Jesus. Please take the time to prepare your heart to receive Christ Jesus at Easter. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 2:00p.m. to 3:00p.m. here at Blessed Sacrament Church.

TIME CHANGE!!!

Don't forget that we will be changing back to daylight savings time. Please mark the date and be prepared to bring your clocks forward on **Sunday, March 12th**. Remember... it may avoid you some problems.

For those who have **CELIAC DISEASE**, and are not able to take the regular Sunday host. Please speak to Father Jacques as he can make sure that a special host for celiac is available for you.