

## *2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

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| <b>Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup></b>                      |   |
| 5:00pm  | <b>Pro Populo</b>   |
| <b>Sunday, April 12<sup>th</sup></b>                        |   |
| 9:00 am   | <b>Philippe &amp; Leona Girard</b> by Suzanne & Charlie Upton       |
| 11:00am   | <b>Daniel Ledoux</b> by his family                                  |
| <b>Monday, April 13<sup>th</sup> Saint Martin</b>           |   |
| 8:00 am   | <b>Sandra Sauve</b> by Sally Grant                                  |
| <b>Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup></b>                       |   |
| 8:00 am   | <b>Kathleen &amp; Lucien Ranger</b> by Bernice Ranger               |
| <b>Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup></b>                     |   |
| 8:00 am   | <b>Rene Gauthier</b> by Jean Guy & Carol Lalonde                    |
| <b>Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup></b>                      |   |
| 8:00 am   | <b>Roy Julien</b> by Doreen Bray                                    |
| <b>Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup></b>                      |   |
| 5:00 pm   | <b>For the intentions of the Boisvenue family</b> by Rolland & Lise |
| <b>Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> |   |
| 9:00am  | <b>Rolland Boucher</b> by Margo Boucher                             |
| 11:00am   | <b>Pro Populo</b>   |

### **April 5<sup>th</sup> OFFERING**

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| Envelopes  | \$2949.60        |
| Loose      | \$617.75         |
| Share Lent | \$40.00          |
| Holy Land  | \$1744.00        |
| Easter     | <u>\$2833.00</u> |
|            | \$8184.35        |

### **Baptism Meeting**

The next meeting for parents who are planning on having their child baptized in the near future will take place on Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> starting at 7:00 p.m. Please call the office to register.

### **Ladies Auxiliary**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. New members welcome!!

**The Sanctuary Lamp** will burn this week “**For the deceased family members of the Tardif and Primeau families**”.

**Chicken Dinner Fundraiser for Patrons of St. Columban Foundation** - The dinner hosted by the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 297 will be held on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at the Legion Hall, 415 Second Street West. Tickets are \$10 and are available at St. Columban’s rectory during office hours, or by calling Brian at 933-8353.

### **Rummage Sale by our Ladies Auxiliary**

Our spring sale will take place on Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to noon. Proceeds from this sale are used to support many projects and scholarships in the parish. We really appreciate your past donations of items for the sale, and we ask that you continue to favour us with household items (dishes, pots, bedding, lamps, etc.), clothing, shoes, purses, games, puzzles, toys and books. Please **do not donate** magazines or soiled or broken items. After our sale, we donate all left over items to a local charity. You may bring your items to the parish hall April 13<sup>th</sup> to April 16<sup>th</sup> between 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and April 20<sup>th</sup> to April 23<sup>rd</sup> between 8:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Sorters will be needed on Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

### **Spring Tea**

The Catholic Women’s League of St. Peter’s Parish invite you to their Spring Tea on Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> from 1pm to 3pm. Cost: \$6 and the menu is sandwiches, desserts & beverages. There will be a White Elephant Table and a Bake Table. Everyone welcome!

**SAVE THE DATE: NEXT THEOLOGY ON TAP** on April 17 @ 8pm at Best Western Our guest speaker, Ms. Michelle Boulva (COLF – Catholic Organization for Life and Family) from Ottawa will speak on Euthanasia & Assisted-suicide, a hot button topic! Info: [fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca](mailto:fguilmette@alexandria-cornwall.ca)

## **The NEW EVANGELIZATION SUMMIT April 24th, 25th.**

This premier conference staged live in Ottawa will be web-streamed to giant screens at the Agora Catholic Centre (formerly Nativity Hall). This amazing opportunity brings together 8 of the top Catholic speakers in North America, each speaking on a different aspect of the New Evangelization. Speakers include Dr. Scott Hahn, Dr. Ralph Martin, Patrick Coffin, Fr. Michael Gaitley. They will tackle topics such as The Eucharist and the N.E., Why Bother? The Medium and The Message, and Now is the Time for Mercy. Registration of \$65 must be done thru Ottawa for the Cornwall site either at [newevangelization.ca](http://newevangelization.ca) or by calling 1-613-292-5356. Don't miss this great opportunity! TO REGISTER: [www.newevangelization.ca](http://www.newevangelization.ca)

**BREAKFAST ON SUNDAY APRIL 19<sup>TH</sup> AT SAINT ANDREW'S PARISH** – The knights of Columbus Council 10416 will be hosting a breakfast at the parish hall, from 8am to 12noon. Everyone is welcome to attend. It is also the Raisin River Canoe Race.

## **Bishop's Movie Pix**

October Baby April 24 to 30\*, 2015 at the Port Theatre 7:15 p.m. Monday & Wednesday Matinées at 2:00 p.m. As the curtain rises, Hannah hesitantly steps onto the stage for her theatrical debut in college. Yet before she can utter her first lines, Hannah-unscripted-collapses in front of the stunned audience. After countless medical tests, all signs point to one underlying factor: Hannah's difficult birth. This revelation is nothing compared to what she then learns from her parents: she was actually adopted ... after a failed abortion attempt. \*We will show the movie with French sub-titles on Wednesday, April 29.

## **Treasures of the Diocese: April 18 to 30**

To mark its 125th anniversary the Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall is presenting an exhibition of more than one hundred historical artifacts from around the Diocese. Treasures of the Diocese will run April 18th to 30th in the chapel of the Co-Cathedral of La Nativité. The exhibition includes portraits, historic photos and documents, vestments, church vessels, and relics. The pieces include the crozier belonging to our first Bishop, a black onyx episcopal ring, a gift from King-George IV to Bishop Alexander Macdonell, the first bishop of Upper Canada, and a set of fiddleback chasubles that date back to the 1800s. The public is welcome daily from 1pm to 4pm with extended hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays to 8pm. Admission is free. For additional information visit our website at [www.alexandria-cornwall.ca](http://www.alexandria-cornwall.ca)

## **Expo Sale**

Father Alphonse Yema invites you to a Bake Sale, held on Saturday, April 18, 2015 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM in Glen Robertson. To rent a table, please call Gisèle at 613-525-1223. For more information please call Father Yema at 613-874-2930. Search and find what you want and take a chance on several Prizes.

## **Thank You**

A heartfelt thank you from the volunteers and clients of our Food Bank, for the amount of food product donated through the Lenten period. Those of you who followed our Lenten Food calendar requests and gave of your own abundance to assist the needy in our area, have seen to it that our Food Bank coffers will be well supplied into the Fall months. Again, thank you for your donations and be assured it will find it's way to those in need.

*The St. Vincent de Paul Society*

## **Bingo**

Precious-Blood Parish in Glen Walter will be hosting their next BINGO on Wednesday, April 8th and April 22, 2015 in the church hall starting at 7:00 p.m. EARLY BIRD GAMES start at 6:20 p.m.

Saint Therese Parish next Bingo will be held on Thursdays April 16th in their Parish Hall. Doors and canteen open at 5:30 PM, Early Bird at 6:30 PM and the Bingo begins at 7:00 PM.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT KNIGHT of COULUMBUS ROUNDTABLE** WILL BE MEETING ON APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00PM IN THE MCPHAIL ROOM. EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO COME AND HELP BUILD A BETTER TOMORROW...

## **A Prayer in Spring by Robert Frost (1915)**

Oh, give us pleasure in the flowers to-day;  
And give us not to think so far away  
As the uncertain harvest; keep us here  
All simply in the springing of the year.

Oh, give us pleasure in the orchard white,  
Like nothing else by day, like ghosts by night;  
And make us happy in the happy bees,  
The swarm dilating round the perfect trees.

And make us happy in the darting bird  
That suddenly above the bees is heard,  
The meteor that thrusts in with needle bill,  
And off a blossom in mid air stands still.

For this is love and nothing else is love,  
The which it is reserved for God above  
To sanctify to what far ends He will,  
But which it only needs that we fulfil.

## **The Wooden Bowl**

A frail old man went to live with his son, daughter-in-law, and four-year old grandson. The old man's hands trembled, his eyesight was blurred, and his step faltered. The family ate together at the table. But the elderly grandfather's shaky hands and failing sight made eating difficult. Peas rolled off his spoon onto the floor. When he grasped the glass, milk spilled on the tablecloth. The son and daughter-in-law became irritated with the mess. 'We must do something about father,' said the son. 'I've had enough of his spilled milk, noisy eating, and food on the floor.'

So the husband and wife set a small table in the corner. There, Grandfather ate alone while the rest of the family enjoyed dinner. Since Grandfather had broken a dish or two, his food was served in a wooden bowl. When the family glanced in Grandfather's direction, sometimes he had a tear in his eye as he sat alone. Still, the only words the couple had for him were sharp admonitions when he dropped a fork or spilled food.

The four-year-old watched it all in silence. One evening before supper, the father noticed his son playing with wood scraps on the floor. He asked the child sweetly, 'What are you making?' Just as sweetly, the boy responded, 'Oh, I am making a little bowl for you and Mama to eat your food in when I grow up.' The four-year-old smiled and went back to work.

The words so struck the parents so that they were speechless. Then tears started to stream down their cheeks. Though no word was spoken, both knew what must be done. That evening the husband took Grandfather's hand and gently led him back to the family table. For the remainder of his days he ate every meal with the family. And for some reason, neither husband nor wife seemed to care any longer when a fork was dropped, milk spilled, or the tablecloth soiled.

On a positive note, I've learned that, no matter what happens, how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it will be better tomorrow. I've learned that you can tell a lot about a person by the way he/she handles four things: a rainy day, the elderly, lost luggage, and tangled Christmas tree lights.

I've learned that, regardless of your relationship with your parents, you'll miss them when they're gone from your life. I've learned that making a 'living' is not the same thing as making a 'life...' I've learned that life sometimes gives you a second chance. I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands. You need to be able to throw something back. I've learned that if you pursue happiness, it will elude you. But, if you focus on your family, your friends, the needs of others, your work and doing the very best you can, happiness will find you. I've learned that whenever I decide something with an open heart, I usually make the right decision. I've learned that even when I have pains, I don't have to be one. I've learned that every day, you should reach out and touch someone. People love that human touch -- holding hands, a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back. I've learned that I still have a lot to learn.