

SECOND Sunday of Lent

Saturday, February 28th	
5:00pm	Roger & Ron Dupras by Catharine & Chris Dupras
Sunday, March 1st	
9:00 am	Gertrude & Dwayne Myers by Ford Myers & family
11:00am	Pro Populo
Monday, March 2nd	
8:00 am	For a special intention by Don D'Alessio
Tuesday, March 3rd Saint Katharine Drexel	
8:00 am	For the parents of Bob & Elaine Lauzon
Wednesday, March 4th Saint Casimir	
8:00 am	Bryce Shaver by Norma Shaver
Thursday, March 5th	
8:00 am	In Thanksgiving by a parishioner
Saturday, March 7th	
5:00pm	Pro Populo
Sunday, March 8th	
9:00am	In Thanksgiving by Heather and Art Eckford
11:00am	Rodolphe Regnier by Rachele Carriere

FEBRUARY 22nd OFFERING

Env -	\$2706.50
Loose -	\$190.80
Initial -	\$5.00
Total	\$2902.30

Parish Pastoral Council

Our meeting needed to be rescheduled to Tuesday, March 11th, starting at 6:30 p.m. in the McPhail Room.

Finance Council

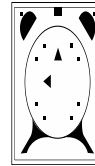
The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10th at 6:30pm in the McPhail Room.

Ladies Auxiliary

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 10th at 7:00pm New members welcome!!

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week **“In memory of Bryce Shaver”** by Linda and Glen Runions”

Don't forget that we are changing the time **next weekend**. We will have to put our clocks forward in the night between Saturday, March 7th and Sunday, March 8th. Remember it ... it may avoid you some problems



CHURCH ALIVE SERIES...

Deacon Pierre and Father Jacques will be leading a series of talks on Monday evening during lent. The evening will start at 6:30pm and end at 7:30pm. Everyone is invited to attend and share. We will end our Lenten **CHURCH ALIVE SERIES** with **THE FRANCIS EFFECT**

March 2nd The Role of the Laity

March 9th Social Justice

March 23rd The Consecrated Life

March 30th The Francis Effect

Catholic Believe... with Rev. Kevin Maloney

Join us **Thursday mornings from 9-10 a.m.** at **St. Francis de Sales Church** as Fr. Kevin leads us thru the Gospel of Mark. It's a great way to learn more about your faith this Lenten season. These popular one-hour sessions begin Thursday February 19th and run for 6 weeks. All are welcome to these informative talks by Fr. Kevin with time set aside for questions.

New Evangelization Summit 2015

WHEN: Friday April 24 from 6:30 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. and Saturday April 25 from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. **WHERE:** Agora Catholic Centre 301 McConnell Avenue **COST:** \$65.00, includes lunch on Saturday **Speakers include:** Scott Hahn, Ralph Martin, Patrick Coffin, Jo-Ellen Gregus, Fr. Michael Gaitley, Fr. James Mallon, Ken Yasin-ski and Michael Dopp. **TO REGISTER:** www.newevangelization.ca

Your Lenten Journey Starts Here

Pope Francis reminds us that "*Lent is a time of renewal for the whole Church, for each community and every believer.*" To help you prepare for the Lenten season and to journey with you during these 40 days, we have created a special Lenten section on the website. You will find many resources including books, online retreats, apps, and videos. We've also created a special section for families. As we discover new resources we will include them, so be sure to visit often www.alexandria-cornwall.ca

Family EVENTS

Roast Beef Dinner

St. Francis de Sales Knights of Columbus Council 11531 invite you to their Roast Beef Dinner on Thursday, March 12th from 4:30 to 5:30 pm in their parish hall. Cost: Adults \$10, children \$5.

Ste-Thérèse-de-Lisieux Parish

Our next bingo will be held on Thursday, March 5th in the parish hall. EARLY BIRD START at 6:30 pm. and BINGO starts at 7:00 pm. Amount to be won at each Bingo night \$900 plus the 50/50 games.

The Knights of Columbus, Bishop Brodeur Assembly, invite each and everyone one of you to a great breakfast to be served in Blessed Sacrament parish hall, on Sunday, March 8th, from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon. Free will offering.

PRO-LIFE CORNWALL - Spaghetti Supper

Attention Food Lovers!! Our Annual Spaghetti Supper is being held at the Catholic Agora Centre on Sunday March 22, 2015 from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. Take-outs available. Cost: Adults: \$8.00, Children under 12: free. Donations of desserts are welcome.

SUGAR BUSH BRUNCH

Father Éric Robichaud and the members of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish invite you to their Sugar Bush Brunch on Sunday, March 29th, from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm at the Chrysler Community Centre. Menu: eggs, bacon, sausages, baked beans, taffy on snow (\$1.00), pancakes and maple syrup. Music by Pierre & Éloïse Laflèche. Admission: Adults & Teens: \$12.00; Children from 5 to 11: \$5.00; Children under 5: free. Everyone Welcome!

CASINO RUN The knights of the Roundtable will be organizing an **EVENING OUT** on Sunday, **March 22nd**. We will be leaving by Bus from Blessed Sacrament Parish Parking Lot at 3:00pm, heading towards **Rideau Carleton Raceway**, and returning around 10:00pm in the evening. Those who are not interested in slot machines; there will be Horse Races... Join in the fun and help in our fundraiser. **Cost of the tickets will be forthcoming! To reserve a spot please call the office.**

Steubenville Toronto 2015 (ACgoes2TO – Alexandria-Cornwall goes to Toronto)

Mega and inspiring Catholic Youth Conference (Gr 8 to 12) to be held in Toronto from August 7-9, 2015! Too far away to think about it? Nope! Registration is now open with a \$50 discount until March 31! Full price after March 31 will be \$325 (2 nights in hotel, 6 meals, and access to events). Info including information for parents, promo video, registration link, for more information please contact ifo@acgoes2to.ca.

The Knights of Columbus from Saint Andrew's Parish Council will be celebrating their 25th anniversary on June 20th. If you wish to have tickets for this great event... Please contact the office or speak to one of the Knights from Saint Andrew's Council.

Ralph Martin Rally . . . Encounter Jesus

Ralph Martin Rally, live at the Agora Friday, March 27th from 7 - 9 PM and Saturday, March 28th, 9 - 12 noon. The target group is for 30 - 55 year olds... However all are welcome. Cost: \$10 on line, \$15 at the door, free will offering will be taken. The rally includes praise and worship music, prayer teams and social time. For more info see the poster located on the bulletin boards at the entrances to the Church.

God is up to something with men – something mythic, profound, powerful, and beautiful. He's after the hearts of men, freeing us to be what we are – men made in God's image. Passionate, alive, free, living from the heart, not from the list of "should" and "ought to" that has left so many of us tired, bored, and in a spiritual malaise. God is pursuing, rescuing, and unalterably changing the lives and hearts of men around the world. You are invited to an evening to share your journey. This is an evening to help men live their faith in the midst of our world. Band of Brothers is a group of men living out their Christian calling. Our first gathering is on March 7th, 2015 at 7:00pm at Blessed Sacrament Church in the McPhail room. **Dare to be part of it!**

SASE New Life Course / New format

The New Life Course will be offered over 5 evenings beginning March 8, 9, 10 and continuing March 15 & 16th from 6:30 to 8:30pm each evening at St. Francis de Sales Parish Hall. The course is open to all who want to experience the fullness of life that Jesus has offered us. Registration fee is \$20.

HUMANITARIAN BAG: As you are aware Fr. Jacques is taking 12 students from the 3 Catholic High School to the Dominican Republic. Each student is allowed to take a HUMANITARIAN BAG. We need your help! Here is how you can help us... Money Donations are gratefully accepted and faithfully applied. **Medication for Adults and Children** – Tylenol, Advil, Cough/Cold Formula, Multivitamins, eye drops, Vaseline, Band Aids, antibiotic cream, toothbrushes and paste. (All products must be within best before date of 6 months.) **Clothespins, Painting supplies, tools, Hair brushes, Hair elastics... All is welcome...** If you have any questions please call Fr. Jacques at the office.

BLESSED SACRAMENT EASTER SEASON: A SPIRITUAL AWAKENING The spirituality of Easter Season will be the topic of discussion as we meet at Blessed Sacrament Church. There will be 4, one hour sessions starting on April 10th, 2015 at 1:00pm and every second Friday there-after until May 22nd, 2015. Please contact Cathie Jarvis at 613-347-1754 or Fr. Labelle at 613-932-2996.

The Cross-Is Always Linked to the Resurrection

We are still at the beginning of Lent, this season of repentance and penitence, but today the Church is already talking to us about the Resurrection. In the transfiguration of Jesus in today's Gospel, Peter, James, and John get a glimpse of Christ's eternal glory, the glory he claimed fully after the resurrection. St Paul, in today's Second Reading, writes passionately about God's power and faithfulness as revealed in Christ. And he actually changes his emphasis mid-sentence to take the spotlight off Christ's death on the cross and let it shine on his glorious resurrection. And in the passage about Abraham and Isaac, which narrates events that took place almost 2000 years before Christ, the release of Isaac from his bonds gives him new life - this too is a symbol of Christ's resurrection. Even today's Psalm, when it speaks about walking with the Lord in the Land of the living and God "loosening the bonds" of his servant, is pointing our attention towards Christ's glorious resurrection. And yet, Easter is still more than a month away! What's going on here? It's very simple, really. Lent is indeed meant to be a time of repentance and penitence, a time of sacrifice and reflection in which we acknowledge the weight of suffering in the world and in our lives, suffering that always has its roots in sin. This suffering is always part of the story of every human life, with or without Christ; but with Christ, it is not the end of the story. Crosses purify us of selfishness, if we allow them to, teaching us to lean more on Christ and to have a greater experience of his wisdom and joy - his resurrection. In our Catholic faith, the cross and resurrection are two sides of the same coin; we must never allow ourselves to think of one without thinking of the other.