



Canadian Martyrs Church

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Mass Schedule

Wednesday 11:30am
Saturday 5:00pm and Sunday 10:00am (must register)

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 7/8 2020



Pastor

Fr. Tim Coonen, OMI

Parish Life Coordinator

Maureen Cerroni

Administrative Assistant

Heather Duggan

Pastoral Council

Angela Burton

Meetings: 1st Thurs., 7:00pm

Finance Committee

Joseph Duggan

Development and Peace

Anna Dorner

Christian Meditation

Dorothy Wood

Mondays, 3pm

Evening Prayer

Pierre LaViolette

Thursdays, 6:30pm

Diocesan Centre

1247 Kilborn Pl.

613-738-5025

Schools

Corpus Christi

798 Lyon St. S

613-232-9743

Immaculata HS

140 Main St.

613-237-2001

Cemeteries

Hope Cemetery

613-822-1212

Notre-Dame

613-746-4175

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Devin Bursey, Sandy Cano, Fred Miller, Liam Elder, Sheila & Edward Gasnick, Raul Esteban, Chris Smith & family, Leonardo Miseferi, Fred Kapusta, Jane Hoey-Ray, and Ping Cai

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

That Church leaders and faithful believers practice charity and patience with one another, we pray to the Lord.

That those elected to public office serve their communities with honour and dignity, we pray to the Lord.

That those who struggle to understand God's plan for their lives be given wisdom and grace to face their challenges, we pray to the Lord.

That our children receiving their first communion this weekend be blessed with a courageous and lively faith. We pray for: Christopher, Isobel, Luke, Simon, David, Timothy, Samantha, Karina, Pearce and Sadie.
We pray to the Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Nov. 7 Rita Denny by Margaret Denny
Amelia Mendonca by Ilario Pellizzari
Lucila Dickson by Kathy Armstrong
Sat. Nov. 14 Bernice and Cassidy Hayes by Jim and Julie Chadwick
Cyril Winter by Marie Budden
Wed. Nov. 18 Olive LaForce by the Pastoral Care Committee

WEEKEND MASS REGISTRATION

The email with the link for weekend Mass tickets will be sent out on **Mondays**. The link will remain available until the end of the day on **Wednesdays**. If you forget to register by Wednesday, please email office@canadianmartyrs.org to ask if any tickets are still available by 4:00 pm on Thursday.

Remember: Mask, Sanitizer, Self-Assess!

ZOOM GATHERINGS

3pm Monday: Christian Meditation

8pm Tuesday: Lectio Divina and Meditation

6:30pm Thursday: Evening Prayer

11:15am Sunday: Liturgy of the Word (4th Sunday, Children's Liturgy)

Please contact the office if you would like to join any of these sessions.

Our Parish News

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

If you pack your own shoebox, you can drop it off at the church office by **Nov. 15** and we will deliver it to the depot for mailing. Together, we can still make a difference at this special time of year!

NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH COUNCIL

The nomination process for Parish Council has been simplified for the current recruitment campaign. You may self-nominate, if you are interested in participating on Council, OR you may nominate another parishioner; no seconding is required. ALL nominations will be done by email to office@canadianmartyrs.ca. The deadline for nominations is Thursday, **Nov. 12**. Please refer to the email sent out to the parish on Oct. 14 for more details.

FALL PARISH CLEAN-UP

Please contact the office if you have time to help with the outdoor fall clean-up (raking and putting the garden to bed) at the church between **November 2-16**. Thank you!

REMEMBRANCE DAY

The Mass on Wednesday, **November 11th will start at 10:55 am** so that we may pause in a moment of silence to honour and remember the men and women who have served, and continue to serve Canada during times of war, conflict and peace.

ACCOUNTANT/BOOKKEEPER NEEDED

The parish Finance Committee is looking for someone with an accounting background to oversee our financial transactions and help our administrative assistant, Heather, keep our financial books in good order. This position would require approx. 6 to 8 hours quarterly for the bookkeeping and then approx. 20 hours to prepare the year-end financial statements. This position has been filled for many years by parishioner, Vince Marsh. We

thank him for his many years of dedicated service to the parish as our accountant. Please email or call the office if you are interested in helping or know someone in your network who may be.

GIVESHOP

GiveShop is an Ottawa-based online marketplace for second-hand items. They are like Kijiji except that the proceeds from sales go to various local charities. GiveShop is a great place to pick up gently-used items at very low cost.

Give Shop's goal is to drive more opportunities for charitable giving in our communities by giving new life to gently used goods. Download the GiveShop App and join them in supporting charities while helping find new homes for gently used items. www.giveshop.ca
Here's a quick video to give you a sense of their product: <https://youtu.be/X8DHcbW4ONo>

IN REMEMBRANCE

Parishioners, George and Janice Cameron-Caluori, shared this song in memory of our loved ones who are no longer with us. This song was originally recorded for Janice's sister-in-law, Marty Hamer, who died in January.

<https://photos.app.goo.gl/Pngr7H3UXYrsUHBe8>

THANK YOU

Parishioners donated eight bins and several bags of some of the Centretown Emergency Food Centre's most needed items – pasta sauce, peanut butter and canned vegetables. These donations went right on the shelf, ready to be packed in bags for their clients. Thank you for being such strong supporters of the Centre's work.

Don't forget to order your Christmas Cake(s)!

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Excerpt from a homily by Fr. Carl Kelly, OMI

We are coming to the end of the Church year. The focus of the Church and the readings for the next few Sundays direct our attention toward the end times, the end of the world, the return of Jesus Christ. Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

Today's readings call us to prepare for the momentous coming of Jesus, because Jesus will come, either to signal the end of our present earthly situation, and inaugurate the eternal heavenly kingdom, or he will come to each of us with some special grace. And whether he comes with thunderbolts and lightning or whether he comes to us personally with his presence, the very idea of the coming of Jesus is sufficient to increase our heartbeat, and find us straining at the leash to break free.

The first reading tells us to continue our normal way of living. We are to remain strong in faith, as the second reading says, and we are to pursue good works, as pointed out in the Gospel.

The first reading, from the Book of Wisdom, makes few demands on the person who follows God. Wisdom was important. Wisdom had something about it that was mysterious, but it could be found by anyone. "Wisdom is radiant and unfading and she is easily discerned by anyone who loves her and is found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her." Who would be a wise person these days? First, the person who is a good listener, or in the words of the first reading, "one who watches at dawn, or sits by the gate." The wise are people who have wholesome desires and good hopes. The wise person will be sensitive and polite. Wisdom will "graciously appear to them in their paths and meet them in every thought." The wise person cares about others, has an eye for their needs, and weaknesses, and meets them where they are. If we follow the advice of the sage, we not only gain wisdom, but we also welcome the Lord Jesus, who is the way, the truth and the life of the Gospels.

The Gospel describes another kind of preparation for the coming of the Lord Jesus. The ten bridesmaids parable is part of a larger section of St. Matthew's Gospel insisting on the need to be ready for the Lord Jesus. Vigilance is certainly one prerequisite. The other is good deeds. In this parable, the "oil" represents good works. That is why they could not give any to the foolish ones. Matthew combines faith and good works. The foolish ones did nothing in preparation for the wedding party. So when they were suddenly awakened, they did not deserve any enjoyment in the festivities. Like the first reading, the Gospel stresses

that we meet the Lord Jesus in the normal circumstances of our lives. While the expectations are not heroic, nor threatening, still we take note of the seriousness of this coming of the Lord. We may pass by a stranger in need, or overlook the sick and discouraged. When we do that, we are not ready to greet the Bridegroom. Then Jesus might say, "I do not know you. You were not there when I came to meet you."

As we come closer to the end of the church year, we are encouraged to be ready for the coming of the Lord Jesus, and the three readings today suggest ways in which we can do that. In many ways, and in various manners, Jesus comes to us. Sometimes we meet him in unsuspected moments, sometimes in great excitement and world transformation. We are here as a believing community to take part in the meal that makes us one with our God and one with each other. Through faith in the Eucharist, we share in the very being of our God. The meeting between ourselves and Jesus is one that heals our souls, forgives our sins, and consoles us, giving us courage.

MAKE SOUL CAKES

Soul cakes are a medieval Catholic tradition. They are little round cakes made for the feasts of All Saints and All Souls and handed out when "soulers" (usually children and the poor) would knock at the door to offer prayers for the souls of the household. Here's [the recipe](#). To make them extra special, you can score the shape of a cross into the top of each cake before baking. As another option, it is said that donuts were first created as a kind of delicious soul cake, with their circular shapes representing the everlasting life of the soul. So, if you don't make the soul cakes from scratch, you can always buy some donuts! Sting sings a great song about soul cakes [here](#); soon you'll be singing along.

A soul-cake, a soul-cake!

Please good Missus, a soul-cake ...

One for Peter, two for Paul

Three for Him who made us all.

Find the full article [here](#).

"Those who know, do.

Those that understand, teach."

— Aristotle



Help us help our sisters and brothers in the Global South! The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted us in many ways here in Canada. In the Global South, the impacts are devastating, as the pandemic is worsening poverty, hunger, conflict and gender inequality. More than ever, your solidarity and generosity are needed to support the work of Development and Peace so we are all recovering together. Our partners are working for a just recovery in their countries so all can live in dignity.

If you attend Mass, there will be envelopes in the pews for your donation on **November 14/15**.

You can also make a donation [online](#). Your generosity allows Development and Peace to support over 100 projects in 35 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East! Watch this [short video](#) to learn more about the work of Development and Peace during the pandemic.

This virus has taught us how interconnected our human family is. It has taught us that we cannot recover alone. As Pope Francis said: “An emergency like that of COVID-19 is overcome with, above all, the antibodies of solidarity.”

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Our parish still needs funds to cover recurrent expenses such as heat, electricity and salaries of essential staff, and new expenses such as hand sanitizer, masks and cleaning supplies. If you wish to donate to the church, you can through Canada Helps using a credit card on the secure link at <https://canadianmartyrs.org/donate/> or drop your donation cheque in our mailbox or mail it to us at 100 Main St., Ottawa, ON K1S 1C2. If you are able to come to

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Contact the office a minimum of 3 months before the baptism. Baptismal instructions are required.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Contact the office to set up the initial interview. It is recommended that the first contact be a minimum of 6 months before the wedding.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Please call or email the office to inform us of shut-ins or people in hospital so that we can arrange a visit, bring Holy Communion and administer the Sacrament of the Sick if desired.

PARISH REGISTRATION: The registration form is available at the back of the church or can be filled out online at <http://canadianmartyrs.org/register/>.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES: For your information, the minutes are available in a binder at the back of the church and at <http://canadianmartyrs.org/pastoral-council-minutes/>

DIRECT DEPOSIT DONATIONS: The forms are available on the Welcome table if you wish to make donations to the church through direct deposit. Envelopes for special collections will still be provided.

FOOD CUPBOARD: Non-perishable food items for the Centretown Emergency Food Centre are collected on an on-going basis.

MILK BAGS: Milk bags are collected for making into sleeping mats. Please bring in your milk bags and put them in the baskets under the table in the hall near the breezeway.