



Canadian Martyrs Church

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Mass Schedule

Wednesday 11:30am

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

Pastor

Fr. Tim Coonen, OMI

Parish Life Coordinator

Maureen Cerroni

Administrative Assistant

Heather Duggan

Pastoral Council

Angela Davis

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

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

June 12/13 2021



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Robert Bérubé, John Dorner, Peter McAllister, Rabbi Bulka, Joyce White, Devin Bursey, Sandy Cano, Liam Elder, Sheila & Edward Gasnick, Raul Esteban, Chris Smith & family, Leonardo Miseferi, Clare Dashney, Ping Cai, Judette Budden, and Marie Christine Maisog

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

That God's faithful love will sustain us in times of discouragement and empower us to persevere through difficult times, with the confidence that God makes all things new, we pray to the Lord.

That the political and religious authorities in Canada continue to work together with determination to shed light on the sad event in Kamloops, and humbly commit themselves to a path of healing and reconciliation, we pray to the Lord.

That we continue to gain insight into the many negative forces that have led to so much pain, suffering and acts of hatred in our communities, especially the recent death of a Muslim family in London, Ontario, we pray to the Lord.

That God will strengthen families, especially single mothers and parents of children with disabilities, who are struggling to meet the needs of their children now finishing the school year with online instruction, we pray to the Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., June 12 Fred Miller by Anne Marie Bazinet-Miller

Rita Denny by Margaret Denny

Wed., June 16 Louis Vigeant by Denise Remillard

Sat., June 19 Jeanne Primeau by Janice Staples

MAY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 3380.00
Direct Deposit (EFTs):	\$ 7,820.00
Canada Helps:	\$ <u>2,743.73</u>
Total:	\$ 13,943.73

Average monthly expenses: \$ 19,216.80

Thank you!

ZOOM GATHERINGS

3pm Monday: Christian Meditation
8pm Tuesday: Lectio Divina and Meditation
6:30pm Thursday: Evening Prayer
11:15am Sunday: Liturgy of the Word

Please contact the office if you would like to join any of these sessions. The Zoom link for our Liturgy of the Word and Evening Prayer can be found in the body of the Bulletin email.

Parish News

IN SUPPORT OF RECONCILIATION

Our parish is a community entrusted to the care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. We have added our voices to those of the Oblate leadership in this shared expression of sorrow as news has reached us of the discovery of the 215 unmarked graves at the Kamloops Residential School. As parents and grandparents, as parishioners and clergy, we believe that solidarity with the First Nations People of Canada begins with our never ceasing to be sorry for what has happened in our names. We add our names, and our hearts, to those apologies which the Oblate leadership have extended to the Indigenous peoples of Canada. Please find these apologies and other articles of interest at <https://canadianmartyrs.org/in-support-of-reconciliation/>

CENTRE 507 DONATIONS

Centre 507 is in need of socks, underwear and toilet paper. Please drop off at the parish centre (please call before you come) or at Centre 507, located at 507 Bank St. at Argyle, behind Centretown United Church. To access the Centre, turn right off Bank onto Argyle, then take an immediate right turn under/between church and grey condos. The entrance is at the back of the church. Please ring the bell.

FOOD DONATIONS

If you grow produce and have a little extra, please consider donating these fresh and local goods to the Ottawa Food Bank or your local community food bank. Fresh and nutritious fruits and vegetables are an essential part of everyone's health and wellbeing. You can donate directly to our community's food bank, Centretown Emergency Food Centre, 507 Bank (613-232-3059) or you're welcome to take your fresh produce directly to the Ottawa Food Bank at 1317 Michael Street, Monday to Friday, 8:00am and 4:00pm.

CAMPFIRE CHAT

A Campfire Chat on Caring for Our Common Home (5 years of *Laudato si*). Zoom online, Thurs., June 10, 7:00-8:15 pm. Free. Hosted by Holy Redeemer Kanata, Care for Creation. Info: morningsunmdc@gmail.com.

SUMMER SOLSTICE INDIGENOUS FESTIVAL

This annual, multidisciplinary arts festival brings together Indigenous artists, performers, educators, students and community members to share knowledge and celebrate Canada's diverse Indigenous cultures. Visit <https://summersolsticefestivals.ca/> to find out the many great activities happening between now and June 21.

CONVERSATIONS FOR OUR TIMES

L'Arche and Jean Vanier One Year Later - A Constructive Response with Kevin Burns, Sunday, June 20 at 2:30pm. Focusing "What do we do now?", writer and documentary producer, Kevin Burns, explores the impact of witnessing a celebrated hero fall. He offers some "building blocks" that can help as we work to rebuild resilience both individually and as a community. He hopes to promote a thoughtful conversation about remembering and about moving forward beyond disappointment, given the vital importance of L'Arche. Please click the link below to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88518968745?pwd=U29UTWg2MG1GQWhQNVlxWlVZdmNuZz09>
Passcode: 824360

VIRTUAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

"Icy Sea": Cool off with this virtual photography exhibition

Mouse concentration: Find this game and much more on author, Jan Brett's website.

Take a 360-degree tour around the gardens of Hidcote Manor Gardens in Gloucestershire, England.

11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Excerpt from a homily by Fr. Carl Kelly, OMI

Those of you who know me know that I have a habit of trying to do too much myself and wanting everything immediately. I would have made a terrible farmer. Farmers have to be patient. Farmers also have to recognize that they really can't do things themselves. They have to depend upon nature. The Gospel reading from Mark contains two parables that farmers would certainly understand, but which drive people like me nuts. The first is the parable of the seed. The farmer plants the seed and goes about his routine day, day after day. Eventually the seed grows, not because the farmer does something special, but because nature took its course. By the way, to the ancients every field of wheat, every flower, was a miracle of God's hand. The second parable is that of the mustard seed which seems insignificant, but with the growth that God gives, it becomes a plant, probably 8 to 10 feet tall, large enough to shelter the birds of the sky. These two parables of the Kingdom of God tell us that we have to trust in God to give growth to the Kingdom. Furthermore, the growth God gives will be greater than we could ever imagine. The kingdom that we trust God to give growth to could be the Kingdom of our church in the world, the Kingdom of our parish right here, or, particularly, the Kingdom of our home. There are many times that we expect too much of ourselves and others. To make matters worse, we expect too much to happen too soon. Sometimes parents expect their 15 year olds to act like 21 year olds. Sometimes we get thoroughly disappointed in ourselves because we are not the perfect people we like to imagine ourselves being. Sometimes we are impatient with how we or others are progressing in life. We may be upset with our home situations, our marriages, our families, our jobs, or what have you. What we have to understand is that none of us are self-made men and women. If we trust in God, he will give growth. This growth might be very subtle, nothing we can put our fingers on. But after a while it suddenly occurs to us: God has brought us a long way. If we trust in God, the growth that he gives us will be more than we could imagine. We are all small seeds, but God can make each of us great trees. However, if we think that we can do everything ourselves, and if we don't trust in God, we won't get anywhere. None of us can make ourselves or others grow. Let me be a bit more specific with something that we all want: peace in our families. We have to pray to God and trust him to bring us peace. To think we can cause peace to happen in our homes or anywhere without God is to give

ourselves power we don't have. I am not the only person who puts too much pressure on themselves. I am not the only person who is always looking for results. But all of us have entrusted God with our lives. We must trust him to form us into people more beautiful than we could have ever imagined.

If we want to enter God's kingdom, there are conditions to follow and to fulfil. First, we must have conversion and repentance. Second is becoming disciple and true followers and servants of Jesus Christ. Third is a life of loving service grounded in God's love for us. Fourth is new life in the Spirit. Fifth is the charter or the constitution that we should uphold, that is, the Beatitudes.

What would be our response so that we can cooperate in making God's kingdom grow in our midst? There are so many ways. Some of them could be: respect for one another, solidarity with everybody, especially the poor, and fidelity to God and to one another. Now, can we say that God's kingdom has already begun to grow especially in our own self? Are we already practicing love, compassion, forgiveness and reconciliation with one another? Can we accept ourselves in front of God? As a modern-day disciple of Christ, do you help others grow in faith? If our answer is yes, then we are not far from the Kingdom of God. God is already near to us.

VOCATION REFLECTION

"I have a mustard seed and I'm not afraid to use it."

by Jarek Pachocki, OMI

We all have those small seeds of goodness in our hands and our hearts. It might be a simple word of kindness, a listening ear of empathy, a tear shared with the broken and hurt. It might be a shared gift of talent, time or treasure with those in need. It might be a heartfelt apology and also forgiveness to those who hurt us. It might be a prayer offered for others or a small sacrifice for the intention of another. It might be many things - there are a lot of seeds of goodness that should be planted to bring truth, healing and reconciliation. Read the reflection [here](#).

"It is not 'forgive and forget' as if nothing wrong had ever happened, but 'forgive and go forward,' building on the mistakes of the past and the energy generated by reconciliation to create a new future."

— Alan Paton

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Our parish still needs funds to cover recurrent expenses such as electricity, water and salaries of essential staff. 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 attend Mass, there will be a collection basket for donations at the registrar's table.

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.