



# 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

## 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 3/4 2021



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** Br. Wayne Jarvo, Robert Bérubé, John Dorner, Peter McAllister, 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

**For Pope Francis**, that he may have the strength and good health to continue to spread his message of compassion, social justice and care for the environment in the face of more negative currents in the Church. We pray to the Lord.

**For Indigenous leaders across the country**, as they work to console their communities, to alleviate the pain caused by the unmarked burial sites at residential schools and to find a path towards healing and recovery. We pray to the Lord.

**For our government leaders and for all Canadians**, that we may come to recognize that we too have a role to play in the healing of our Indigenous brothers and sisters, and that we may each, in our own way, take positive steps to contribute to the reconciliation process. We pray to the Lord.

**For the many people who are suffering** from war, famine, climate extremes and disasters, that they receive the support they need to establish a stable life. We pray to the Lord.

**For our parishioners**, especially for our families with young children, that they be aware of God's presence in their lives as they enjoy a safe and happy summer. We pray to the Lord.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., July 3      Jeanne Primeau by Gerarda Staples, Fred Miller by Janet Graham

Sat., July 10     Ann Andrychuk by Shirley Lavoie

## JUNE COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 9,716.70
Direct Deposit (EFTs):	\$ 7,820.00
Canada Helps:	\$ <u>2,631.47</u>
Total:	\$ 20,168.17

Average monthly expenses: \$ 17,389.52

*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

### JOINT STATEMENT FOR RECONCILIATION

OMI Lacombe Canada and Notre-Dame-du-Cap want to reiterate their commitment and intent to disclose all historical documents maintained by them and in their possession, in accordance with all legislation, about their involvement. The Joint Statement of Commitment from the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate on Document Transparency can be [read here](#) on the parish website.

### SUMMER FOOD DRIVE

Let's help fill the shelves at the Centretown Emergency Food Centre! They specifically need: peanut butter (small 500g jars are preferred), tuna or salmon, and pasta and pasta sauce. The food centre prefers tins of pasta sauce to glass jars as it is safer for their clients to carry home. Please bring your donations to the church.

### SECOND DOSE VACCINE APPOINTMENTS & TRANSPORTATION WITH VAXAIDE

Have you not been able to book your 2nd vaccine appointment, or who would like to advance the date of your existing appointment? Do you require a ride to and from the appointment, and/or assistance while getting the vaccine? Contact VaxAide. Please complete the online form at [www.vaxaide.ca](http://www.vaxaide.ca) or call 613-869-8221. A volunteer will be thrilled to help you.

### WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Pope Francis has instituted a church-wide celebration of a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. The day's purpose is to convey the closeness of God and the Church to the elderly and also to emphasize the intergenerational closeness between the young and the elderly. Starting this year, the day will be held on the fourth Sunday of July (**July 25, 2021**). [Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.](#)

### CARING FOR CREATION

Ecology Ottawa has an ongoing Tree Campaign that is about more than putting trees in the ground. The Tree Campaign is an all-inclusive, inter-generational, community-centred legacy to expand and care for Ottawa's tree canopy. It's also about engaging residents and public organizations to help nurture a greener community. For more information or to get involved, [click here](#).

### MONTHLY WALK AT GALILEE

Walk around the grounds of Galilee on the 1st Friday of each month in 2021. The walk fosters awareness of: the beauty and rich history of Galilee; the numerous ways that Galilee has welcomed everyone, offering diverse programs and spiritual support; the ability to contemplate how we may plant seeds of hope and foster creative new beginnings in 2021; how to help support the ministry of Galilee. Chose a time or date that works for you. The next walk is at 10am on **July 2**. With following walks at 10:00 am on: Aug 6, Sept 3, Oct 1, Nov 5, and Dec 3. For more information, please contact us @ 613-623-4242, ext. 21 or [info@galileecentre.com](mailto:info@galileecentre.com).

### VIRTUAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

[KIDS 4 CLIMATE virtual summer camp](#): a non-profit student-led initiative that hopes to provide a free virtual advocacy-based climate camp this summer for youth ages 9-12 residing in the Ottawa area.

CBC game: [Park your car](#): Can you park the car before the timer runs out?

[Play the Atlantic crossword](#): The Atlantic's crossword puzzle gets a little more challenging every day, with the biggest puzzle on Sunday.

Submit your [Act of Kindness](#) to the Rabbi Bulka Kindness Project. "We can combat the viral nature of COVID-19 by making kindness go 'viral' instead." - *Rabbi Bulka*

**14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**Excerpt from a homily by Fr. Carl Kelly, OMI**

The story of Jesus' rejection in his own town is a story that most of us can identify with. Often our own families fail to listen to the wisdom and encouragement we offer, because they are too familiar with us. Listen to the grumbling of the people in Jesus' hometown when he spoke to them "What is this wisdom that has been given to him?" And the scriptures go on to say that they took offense at him, and that, as result, Jesus was not able to do any miracles there. Yes, Jesus was rejected by his own because his own thought that they knew him. The story of Jesus' rejection by his villagers is also a story about how we ignore and reject God. The road to spiritual wholeness is not travelled by exercising our own human powers, but rather by acknowledging our human weaknesses and, in that weakness, allowing God to exercise his power in us. Until we admit our weakness, until we stop being afraid of them, we can't find the help we need. The Apostle Paul had what he called a thorn in the flesh, and three times he prayed that this weakness might be removed. On the third occasion when Paul prayed, God answered him and said, "My grace is sufficient for you for my power is made perfect in weakness." Paul's response to this statement is a most beautiful one. He said "Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses that Christ's power may rest on me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults and hardships. For when I am weak, then I am strong." To the world this is nonsense. Power and strength are worshiped by most people, and weakness is despised above all things. The world teaches us to conceal our vulnerability, lest we be hurt, and it teaches us to hide our weakness. The world teaches us that we can help ourselves, that we can do what we need to do on our own. This is not the wisdom of God. Our weaknesses and our tribulations are not of themselves a blessing, they are real problems for us. But, when we acknowledge our weaknesses and our needs, and turn to God and ask for his help, then something profound happens, and we discover that God's grace is sufficient for us. God's power is made perfect in our weakness, and almost always in ways we do not expect. When I am weak, then I am strong. If the truth be known, we are weak in many ways, ways that all too often we are afraid to admit, because we fear that we will be scorned or taken advantage of somehow. But that is not what need happen. What happens is that God's power comes to us and helps us in the way that we need help. Our weakness may remain, as Paul's thorn remained, but God's power inhabits it and turns it to strength for us. Strength

for us to do what we, as human beings and as followers of Christ, are meant to do and in fact need to do, if we are to inherit the joy, the love, and indeed the very life, that God wants to bestow upon us.

The story is told about how one day a small boy was trying to lift a stone much too heavy for him. His father walked by and seeing his struggles said "Are you using all your strength?" The boy said that indeed he was. But the father replied "No son, you aren't, for you haven't asked me." How much haven't we asked God about? A part of our strength, the greater part, comes from our relationship to God, the God who is able and willing to help us. But first we realize our need for God, and then we must ask God to take control. Doing our best as Christians always includes asking God to help us do what we are trying to do. God makes his power perfect in weakness, for it is there that God is able to do for us what we, in our strength, do not let God do.

**VOCATION REFLECTION**

"Prophets? No Thanks!" by Richard Beaudette, OMI  
Who of us feels competent to speak God's Word in a way that calls and challenges others to conversion? Of course, as Paul would remind us, our baptismal call to be prophetic is not something that we can do on our own. Rather than offering a life of comfort and safety, this baptismal call puts great expectations on us: expectations that can only be met when we recognize our individual weakness and open ourselves to the indwelling of the Spirit and the power of Christ dwelling in us and personified in the Christian community. Read the reflection [here](#).

"I asked God for strength, that I might achieve. I was made weak, that I might learn humbly how to obey. I asked for health, that I might do greater things. I was given infirmity, that I might do better things. I asked for riches, that I might be happy. I was given poverty, that I might be wise. I asked for power, that I might have the praise of men. I was given weakness, that I might feel the need of God. I asked for all things, that I might enjoy life. I was given life, that I might enjoy all things. I got nothing that I asked for – but everything I had hoped for. Almost despite myself, my unspoken prayers were answered. I am, among all men, most richly blessed."

– *An Unknown Confederate Soldier*

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**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.