



# Canadian Martyrs Church

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**Mass Schedule**

**Tuesday 11:30am**

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

## 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 28/29, 2021

### 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



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** Joe Lochnan, John Smart, Robert Bérubé, John Dorner, Peter McAllister, Joyce White, Devin Bursey, Sandy Cano, Liam Elder, Sheila & Edward Gasnick, Raul Esteban, Chris Smith & family, Leonardo Misesferi, Ping Cai, Judette Budden & Marie Christine Maisog

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

For the Church, endlessly labouring to remind us of God's faithful presence in our lives, we pray to the Lord.

For all who are suffering, that God will calm the wildfires, help the people of Haiti and Afghanistan, and sustain all who are assisting them. We pray to the Lord.

For those who suffer violence, who live in fear, who are cast out because of their sexuality or for other reasons, that they can live with integrity and in peace. We pray to the Lord.

For greater respect for and stewardship of our earth's resources, that we may treasure the natural resources that God has given us and wisely use them for the good of the human family. We pray to the Lord.

For safety in schools that God will watch over all schools, protect students from the Covid virus, violence, and bullying, and help all to grow in knowledge and self-awareness. We pray to the Lord.

For all who have died, especially Gertrude LaViolette, and for those who mourn them, we pray to the Lord.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Aug. 28 Fred Miller by Anne Marie Bazinet-Miller

Sat., Sept. 4 Fred Miller by Theresa Nieminen

## JULY COLLECTION

Envelopes:	\$ 6,656.10
Direct Deposit (EFTs):	\$ 7,220.00
Canada Helps:	<u>\$ 5,252.35</u>
Total:	\$ 19,128.45

Average monthly expenses: \$ 17,279.05

*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

### WEEKDAY MASS

Our weekday Mass will be moved to **Tuesdays, starting on August 31<sup>st</sup>**.

### SECOND DOSE VACCINE APPOINTMENTS & TRANSPORTATION WITH VAXAIDE

Have you not been able to book your 2nd vaccine appointment, or would you 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.

### DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE STEPS IN

A powerful 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti's Tiburon Peninsula on Saturday, August 14. D&P's partners, ITECA and Caritas Haiti, have jumped into action by sending relief trucks and assessment teams to the affected regions. D&P is asking for your support to intensify their relief efforts and to develop a sustainable recovery program. For more information or to donate, please [click here](#).

D&P is also asking for your support to fulfill the objectives of their 2020-2022 Lebanon program framework. With the COVID-19 pandemic compounding ongoing economic and political crises, Lebanon's overall situation remains alarming. For more info or to donate, please [click here](#).

### GALILEE JAMBOREE

Come for an afternoon of music and community on **Sunday, Aug. 29th**, 3-6pm at the Galilee Centre, 398 John Street North, Arnprior ON. Tickets: \$20.00 Please contact Galilee (613-623-4242 or [info@galileecentre.com](mailto:info@galileecentre.com)) to reserve tickets, or buy on-site on event day. This fresh-air event is a fundraiser in support of the ongoing work of the Galilee Centre.

### WHERE FAITH AND LIFE MEET MOVING FORWARD: PROMISING PRACTICES FOR A WISE AND HOPEFUL ADULT CHURCH

Join a virtual symposium for adult faith taking place via Zoom on **September 27-28** to explore and share wisdom that supports and strengthens our adult faith. Keynote: Dr. Jane Regan, Associate Professor Emeritus, Boston College, author of *Toward an Adult Church*. Panellists: Mgr. Paul-André Durocher, Archbishop of Gatineau, Ms. Marg Shea-Lawrence, Director, National Office of Evangelization and Catechesis, CCCB, and Fr. Daryold Winkler, Ottawa Pastor and Anishinaabe from Manitoulin Island. Click [here to register](#). For more information [click here](#) or contact Gabrielle Dupuis at [recentre@ustpaul.ca](mailto:recentre@ustpaul.ca)

### THE SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation (**Sept. 1 to Oct. 4**) calls all of us to repent and reshape our political, social and economic systems towards just, sustainable economies of life, which respect the life-giving ecological limits of our common home. This year the theme is 'A Home for All? Renewing the Oikos of God'. We are all in the house, the Oikos of God. Oikos is the Greek word for "home".

### EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

[Hatha & Kirtan Yoga at Strathcona Park](#): every Friday, starting at 5:30pm. Free (donations are appreciated) Find hidden gems on the downtown [Gatineau Culture Trail](#).

[Discover Pindigen Park](#): the park highlights Indigenous culture and heritage. 'Pindigen' is more than a name, it is an invitation. It means: "Come on in! All are welcome here!"

[City Sounds](#): 24 free outdoor performances. 100+ local musicians! Multiple locations!

## 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Excerpt from a homily by Fr. Carl Kelly, OMI*

With a COVID fourth wave around the corner, Mark's Gospel hardly provides us with a helpful "What would Jesus do" moment. One can almost imagine countless exasperated parents and health care professionals in the pews asking, why, why could Jesus not just affirm the value of washing our hands especially before handling food? There is a certain common sense wisdom contained in these practices, with hygienic benefit to individuals and communities. But more appears to be at stake here.

Presented in Mark's Gospel account are two attempts within the Jewish community to make sense out of life after the destruction of the Temple by the occupying imperial power of Rome. On some level, in this Gospel Jesus and the Pharisees are each responding to that destruction and the threat that it posed to Jewish identities of the time. One proposal, as developed by some Pharisees, was to establish order in the disorder by affirming certain patterns and behaviours. These rituals, in effect, performed resistance in the face of overwhelming powerlessness. Perhaps in some ways, by shifting the washing rituals associated with the role of the Temple's priests into daily life, the Pharisees faced down imperial power. In other words, you may destroy what is sacred to us but it cannot stop us from making sacred our daily actions. Mark's Jesus offers yet another contemporary response, one that insists that a faithful identity necessitates integrity of word and deed. Jesus does not dismiss the Pharisaic practice, instead he draws attention to the internal disposition necessary for an adherence to God's law. Observance of the commandments of God's law is lived in actions, and in the intentional avoidance of evils, among them "evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly." This posture too reflects resistance, resistance to participating in cycles of violence all too evident in the abuses of imperial rule.

Both the responsorial psalm and the epistle of James include other examples of behaviour that represent a "doing" of the Word. James mentions care for orphans and widows. Psalm 15 cites among other things accepting no bribe against the innocent as well as avoidance of slander and usury. To do justice to God's commandments means coherence between the talk and the walk. It is appropriate that these texts appear in our liturgical cycle during Ordinary Time. Each response in Mark's Gospel gives insights into how the mundane participates in the sacred and how we are to live ethically, even in challenging times. In such responses, there is resistance to powers that

oppress and demean the dignity of life. These approaches are not mutually exclusive, they call forth creative living. It is appropriate that these texts appear on the weekend that our secular calendar chooses to remember the mundane. On the first Monday of September, Labour Day, we set aside time to commemorate the daily actions of those who work. In light of the Gospel responses in Mark, Labour Day invites us to consider how our daily labour, our business practices and our workplace relationships do justice to God's commandments.

### VOCATION REFLECTION

"What Gives Life?" By Richard Beaudette, OMI

As we listen to Jesus today, we are challenged to reflect on our understanding of vocation and discipleship. Vocation is our call to respond to Jesus' invitation to live as his disciples and grow in our relationship with God and with one another guided by the Spirit. The Spirit is constantly doing something new, if we can perceive it, if we can trust it, if we can move with it. If we can let go of what holds us back and move with the Spirit, our vocation, our lives, might look much different than what we have perceived until now. In our present world, the cry for justice, compassion, healing, mercy, protection of creation and right relationships between peoples and nations is deafening. What am I willing to change and let go of in order to respond to the Spirit's call?

Read [the reflection here](#) (published on Friday Aug. 27)



"A well done is better than well said."

- Benjamin Franklin

# VIRTUAL WALK FOR THE CENTRE

Supporting Centretown  
Emergency Food Centre

Sunday October 3, 2021  
1:00 - 4:00 pm

**2 - 4 KM WALK**

around your  
favorite trail or  
neighbourhood

Join  
the  
Fun

Centretown Emergency Food Centre is a  
project of the Centretown Churches  
Social Action Committee.



Prizes for Photos, Virtual Teams,  
Online Donations  
[www.centretownchurches.org](http://www.centretownchurches.org)

Support or join our Canadian Martyrs team for the Virtual Walk for the Centre on Sunday, October 3rd in support of the Centretown Emergency Food Centre by [clicking here](#).

The Walk-a-thon has been a celebration in solidarity, serving Christ in our neighbours. All are welcome to join us in this event. Thank you for your consideration. For more information:

[www.centretownchurches.org/walkathon/](http://www.centretownchurches.org/walkathon/)

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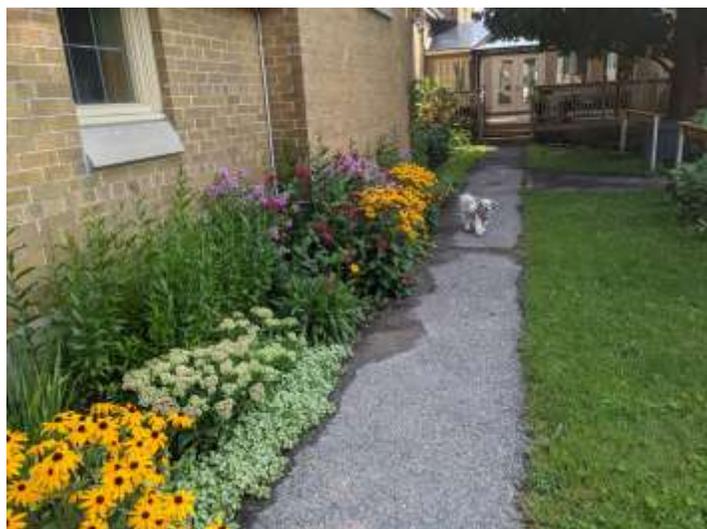
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**DONATIONS TO THE CHURCH:**

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.