

## Mass Schedule

Tuesday-Friday at 11:30am

Saturday at 5:00pm

Sunday at 10:00am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday-Friday at 10:30am

Saturday at 4pm

or call the office

# Canadian Martyrs Church

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### Pastoral Council

Cheryl Khoury

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

1209 Michael Street North,

Suite 200

613-738-5025

### Schools

Corpus Christi

798 Lyon St. S

613-232-9743

Immaculata HS

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613-237-2001

### Cemeteries

Hope Cemetery

613-822-1212

Notre-Dame

613-746-4175

## Palm Sunday

April 9/10, 2022



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** Theresa Ponto, Kevin Dashney, Brenda Kearns, Leo Nantais, Sue Garry, Isabella Boles, Ben Westerman, Amy Gertz, Debbie Dufresne, Frances Ann Smeaton, Denis Laforest, Barbara White, Michael McManus, Ramon de Rosayro, John Dorner, Peter McAllister, Devin Bursey, Sandy Cano, Sheila & Edward Gasnick, Raul Esteban, Ping Cai, Chris Smith & family and Judette Budden

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

That we, like the disciples, bear witness, through our words and actions, to the glory and blessings of the Lord in this Easter season, we pray to the Lord.

That the apology offered by Pope Francis to the Indigenous Peoples of Canada brings some peace to their hearts, and acts as a first step on a road of reparation and reconciliation with the Catholic Church, we pray to the Lord.

That the people of Ukraine, who are fighting for their survival, find hope and strength in the spiritual and tangible supports offered by their allies, and that this terrible war finds a quick and just end, we pray to the Lord.

That the cries of the poor may be amplified, heard and transformed through solidarity into action, we pray to the Lord.

That the great gift of forgiveness and spiritual peace that is represented in Jesus' suffering on the cross inspires us to be a people of authentic integrity and radical love, so that we may move forward to create a world of peace, justice and accountability, we pray to the Lord.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Apr. 9 Joyce White by Albert White and family

Sat., Apr. 23 Joyce White by Mary Croke

Tues., Apr. 26 Bryan Peart by the Peart family, the Carolen family by the Peart family

Wed., Apr. 27 Prayers to Sue Garry by her friends

## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Thurs., Apr. 14	Holy Thursday	7:00 pm
Fri., Apr. 15	Good Friday	3:00 pm
Sat., Apr. 16	Easter Vigil	8:00 pm
Sun., Apr. 17	Easter Sunday	10:00 am
	Liturgy via Zoom	11:30am

## EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Holy Thursday: NP (9 pm, online only)  
Good Friday: MP (9 am) and NP (9 pm)  
Holy Saturday: MP (9 am) and EP (6 pm, online only)  
Easter Sunday: MP (8:30am, online only) and EP (6 pm, use of incense)

## WEEKLY ZOOM GATHERINGS

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

# Our Parish News

## THANK YOU

Thank you to Pierre, Pam, Terri, Anna, Corry, Teresa, June and Diana, who brought up the Symbols of Solidarity for the 2022 Share Lent campaign last weekend. Thank you also to John and Angela for narrating the presentation and to Anna for coordinating this team. Thank you for sharing the journey with our sisters and brothers all over the world.

Also, many thanks to Lily, Leah, David, Jake, Luc, Isobel, Miriam, Gabriel, Benjamin, Ellen, Xavier, Kate, Claire, Katrina, Richard, Corry, Heather, Joe, Jane, McE and Fr. Tim for coming together to present the parish with our Lenten journey of the Stations of the Cross.

## LITURGY OF THE HOURS

The celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours during the Triduum and on Easter Sunday helps us focus our worship of God at this high point of the liturgical year. For decades now, on this occasion, the invitation to a weekly Evening Prayer celebration turns into an invitation to additional hours of Morning Prayer (MP), Evening Prayer (EP) and Night Prayer (NP).

You are invited to join us at the church or via Zoom for the following celebrations:

**Holy Thursday: NP (9 pm, online only)**

**Good Friday: MP (9 am) and NP (9 pm)**

**Holy Saturday: MP (9 am) and EP (6 pm, online only)**

**Easter Sunday: MP (8:30am, online only) and EP (6 pm, use of incense)**

The link to join us on Zoom for all the celebrations is the same one as for the normal weekly Evening Prayer celebration found in the weekly parish email.

## HOLY THURSDAY FOOD DRIVE

A special Food Drive will be taken up on Holy Thursday of non-perishable food for the Centretown Emergency Food Centre. Thank you for your continued generosity.

## SHARE LENT 2022

Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2022! Development and Peace thanks you for supporting the People and Planet First campaign with your Share Lent donation. Thanks to your generosity, our parish has so far collected \$1585. This sum will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. If you have not had a chance to donate, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory basket or donate online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give).

## DONATE TO HELP THOSE IN UKRAINE

Perhaps this Lent, with our prayers and fasting, we can consider supporting these organizations as part of our traditional practice of almsgiving or charity:

[Catholic Near East Welfare Association](#) (CNEWA): Help the people of Ukraine survive the war.

[Development and Peace](#): Solidarity, prayers and support for Ukraine: Development and Peace joins relief efforts.

[Red Cross](#): Ukraine Humanitarian Crisis Appeal.

[Missionary Oblates](#): Help the Oblates help the people of Ukraine. Donate on their [website](#) or call 1-866-432-6264.

**The Oblates have been able to send \$125,000 to the Missionary Oblates in Ukraine via the Oblates in Poland who are using these funds to assist with caring for the people who have remained in Ukraine and also for those who have fled to Poland.**

# Diocesan and Community News

## CANADA'S CATHOLIC BISHOPS WELCOME POPE FRANCIS' APOLOGY

April 1st marked the conclusion of the Indigenous delegation to the Holy See, culminating with an historic apology from Pope Francis for the Catholic Church's role in Canada's residential school system. The Holy Father expressed "sorrow and shame" for the abuse and lack of respect for Indigenous identities, culture and spiritual values in the residential school system. He said, "I ask for God's forgiveness and I want to say to you with all my heart: I am very sorry. And I join my brothers, the Canadian bishops, in asking your pardon." Read the complete statement from the CCCB [here](#).

## WAY OF THE CROSS ON GOOD FRIDAY

Through the streets of downtown Ottawa. Led by Archbishop Marcel Dampousse, Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall. Fri., **Apr. 15**. Departure at 9:30 a.m. from St Patrick's Basilica, 220 Kent St., arrival around noon at Notre Dame Cathedral. Hosted by Communion & Liberation, Ottawa. Info: [clonottawa@gmail.com](mailto:clonottawa@gmail.com).

## CHRISM MASS AT NOTRE DAME CATHEDRAL

The Chrism Mass will be held at Notre Dame Cathedral on Tuesday, **April 12** at 10:30am. All are welcome.

## DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

On behalf of Archbishop Marcel, we are pleased to invite you to the 2022 Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, **May 1**, 2:30 pm at Notre-Dame Cathedral. We will be honouring couples celebrating milestone anniversaries of 20, 25, 30, 40, 50 and 60+ years of marriage with a special blessing. Info and link to the online registration

form: <https://en.archoc.ca/anniversary-mass>. Please register before **April 18**.

## LENTEN RESOURCES

The pastoral team for the Archdiocese has created a weekly one page bulletin for families to help with their Lenten journey. You can download the bulletins from our parish website: <https://canadianmartyrs.org/happenings/>

## HANDEL'S MESSIAH: THE EASTER STORY

On Sunday, **April 10**, at 3pm, the Ottawa Regional Youth Choir will perform the second and third parts of Handel's Messiah with a chamber orchestra at St. Joseph's Church, 174 Wilbrod Ave. The second part tells the story of Christ's passion and resurrection, ending with the famous Hallelujah chorus. The third part tells of Paul spreading the word of the resurrection of the dead, and the glorification of Christ in heaven.

Tickets are by donation! [Click here](#) to purchase a ticket.

## EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

[65+ Things to Do This Spring in Ottawa](#): Ottawa is bustling with plenty of fun activities this lovely season.

[2022 Irish Film Festival Ottawa](#): in-person screenings virtual screenings **April 8 - 14**.

Take a hike: check out [the ultimate guide](#) to spring hiking trails in Ottawa and region.

# Events at Galilee Centre, Arnprior

## SPIRITUALITY OF THE PASCHAL MYSTERY

Contemplate the story of the Paschal Mystery with our lives. Galilee Centre, Arnprior, **April 9**, 9:00 am. Cost: \$60 includes lunch & book.

## LUNCHEONS IN SUPPORT OF UKRAINE

Join us for a time of prayer and fellowship in support of the people of Ukraine on **April 7/8** at noon. Cost: \$20 per person; \$15 from each meal will be donated to the Ukraine Humanitarian Relief Fund of the Red Cross of Canada. [Please register](#).

## EASTER SUNDAY BRUNCH

Sun., **April 17**. \$20 per person. Time: 11:30am - 2pm. Registration required.

To register for events at Galilee Centre, call 613-623-4242, ext. 21 or email [info@galileecentre.com](mailto:info@galileecentre.com). For more info, visit [www.galileecentre.com](http://www.galileecentre.com).

## **PALM SUNDAY**

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

All of Lent is directed to the three-day solemn observance of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. Passion or Palm Sunday anticipates Jesus' suffering and death. In the first reading we heard one of Isaiah's 'suffering servant' poems with their foretelling of the Passion, and illustrating Saint Luke's statement that "it was necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory".

Paul's letter to the Philippians likely quotes an early Christian hymn about Christ Jesus' act of emptying himself of equality with God by his obedience to God's plan that led to a shameful death on the cross. This, Paul claims, merited God's response of raising him from the dead, highly exalting him above all creation. The consequence of this event is the world's coming to know of God's design that, at every mention of the name of Jesus, "every knee should bend, in heaven, on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father". Each evangelist quotes the Scriptures to give to these moments their own reflections. Mark gives a stark picture of the brokenness Jesus suffered on the cross, while Matthew shows how all that happened was "so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled". John shows that Jesus was in charge of all that transpired in the Passion, which was the supreme moment of his glorification. Luke's account of the closing days of Jesus' ministry and his Passion draw out emphases given to the Lord's life earlier. At the time of Peter's confession, Luke emphasized that Jesus, as a messiah, acted in a role that was not political, but religious. Luke notes that those who acclaimed Jesus were not the citizens of Jerusalem, but "the whole multitude of the disciples". Their acclamations sought to praise God "for all the deeds of power that they had seen" in the healings that characterized Jesus' ministry. In the Passion, Luke shows that the Roman authorities have no cause to fear the followers of Jesus. The accusation against Jesus is judged unfounded by Pilate.

At Jesus' death, the centurion declares, "certainly this man was innocent". Just as Luke depicted Jesus at prayer at all the high points of his ministry so, too, during the Passion. Jesus reassured Peter, when foretelling his coming denials, that "I have prayed for you that your own faith may not fail".

The prayer of Jesus on the Mount of Olives becomes an agony which leads him to pray more intensively, "Father,

if you are willing, remove this cup from me; yet not my will but yours be done". With the comforting brought by the angel, Jesus regains his serenity and invokes the Father's pardon of those who crucify him. Likewise, on the Cross, Jesus' final prayer is one of confidently entrusting himself to God, "Father into your hands I commend my spirit".

## **PALM CROSSES**

The palm crosses that will be blessed this weekend at our church are African palm crosses that are handwoven from branches of the Dwarf Palm which grows wild in the Masasi area of Tanzania. A project of the Palm Association of Africa, a charitable trust and managed by African Palms UK. To read more, please visit: <https://africanpalms.co.uk/about/> By buying African palms, we are giving extra work to local villagers and farmers, whose only other source of income is the sale of their cashew nuts. They will use this money to buy things like salt, soap and to cover transport costs to the nearest medical centres.

## **VOCATION REFLECTION**

"The Silence of Death"

by Jarek Pachocki, OMI - Vocation Director

As I read and listen to the narrative of the Passion of Christ this weekend, I hear a story of suffering, pain and death. I also read and hear of the story of the genocide of the Ukrainian people: the innocent civilians, elderly, women and children, being killed on the streets of Bucha, Mariupol, Mykolaiv and many other cities. I am at a loss for words in the face of such incredible pain.

As we reflect on the Gospel this weekend, immediately after Jesus "breathed his last", we enter into a moment of silence, the silence of death when we are lost for words. We deeply seek some hope and consolation. As we look up to the cross, we can see the power of God bringing sense out of confusion, hope out of despair, and life out of suffering and death. Read the [reflection here](#).

"No pain, no palm; no thorns, no throne;  
no gall, no glory; no cross, no crown."

- *William Penn*

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### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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

**DONATIONS:** PAD forms are available on the Welcome table if you wish to make donations to the church through direct deposit. If you wish to donate via credit card, you can through Canada Helps on the secure link at <https://canadianmartyrs.org/donate/>. Please call the office if you would like a box of offering envelopes. Thank you!

**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.

**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.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES:** The minutes of Pastoral Council meetings are available at <http://canadianmartyrs.org/pastoral-council-minutes/>

**FOOD CUPBOARD:** Non-perishable food items for the Centretown Emergency Food Centre are collected on an on-going basis. Please place food items in the crates in the breezeway.

**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.