

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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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

140 Main St.

613-237-2001

Cemeteries

Hope Cemetery

613-822-1212

Notre-Dame

613-746-4175

The Most Holy Trinity

June 11-12 2022



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Gus VanDam, Bro. Wayne Jarvo, Agatha Lim, Doug Barr, Theresa Ponto, Kevin Dashney, Eileen Kearns, Sue Garry, Isabella Boles, Ben Westerman, Amy Gertz, Debbie Dufresne, Frances Ann Smeaton, Denis Laforest, Barbara White, 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 through God's grace, Jesus' love and the Spirit's courage, we learn to persevere, act with character, and live in hope of a world which reflects the Gospel teachings, we pray to the Lord.

That our politicians and leaders see the desperate nature of our housing crisis and create solid policies which will begin to address the immediate needs of our most vulnerable populations, we pray to the Lord.

That in June, the month of Pride, we fully open our hearts so that we may be guided by the Spirit of truth and act with justice for all of God's children, we pray to the Lord.

That we rejoice in the beauty that God has created and work with passion and diligence to preserve it as devoted servants of our Lord, we pray to the Lord.

That Robert, who is receiving his first Holy Communion this weekend, may grow in his love and appreciation for Jesus' presence with us in the Blessed Sacrament, we pray to the Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tues., June 14 Rita Denny by Margaret Denny

Sat., June 18 Ron Kasiban by Janet Kasiban

MAY COLLECTION

Envelopes: \$ 8,469.81
Direct Deposit (EFTs): \$ 6,935.00
Canada Helps: \$ 2,824.86
Total: \$ 17,950.57

Average monthly expenses: \$ 20,184.23

PARISH EVENTS

June 9, 7pm Parish Pastoral Council
June 19, 10am Mass on the Grass and BBQ

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 (cancelled on June 19th)
Please email the office for Zoom links.

Our Parish News

MASS ON THE GRASS

Join us for Mass on the Grass on **June 19th** in front of Immaculata High School and then a BBQ lunch in our parking lot! The parish provides the hotdogs, hamburgers, condiments and frozen treats. Please bring a salad or fruit to share. **Please sign up on the sheets at the back of the church or at the entrances to the church.** We need to know how many hamburgers and hotdogs to buy.

COME WORK WITH US!

Parish Life Coordinator at Canadian Martyrs Parish: works closely with the Parish's ministries, committees, and Pastoral Team to guide and facilitate virtually all facets of the life and organization of the Parish. This person will need to have strong communications skills, demonstrate leadership ability, and be able to work with others with an attitude of welcome, openness and approachability. You can find the [complete job description here](#) or [email the office](#).

CENTRETOWN SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

CCSAC is about half-way through implementing its summer Health and Hygiene Project. So far, donations have been made to: The Well for an event that would allow its clients to reconnect socially after almost three years of social isolation; Daybreak Housing – 12 tabletop fans; and Ottawa Innerscity Ministries – funding for their lunch program.

Donations to the following will be made by the end of June: Restoring Hope/The Haven – food and hygiene supplies; Fourth Avenue Baptist/Haven Too – hygiene supplies and a breakfast program; Cornerstone Women – money to purchase fans.

MEETING WITH MR. YASIR NAQVI, MP FOR OTTAWA CENTRE

On May 27, members from Canadian Martyrs, Holy Rosary, and St. Joseph, the Diocesan chairperson and the Animator for Development and Peace-Caritas Canada met with Mr. Naqvi and his assistant, Eric Nicol. They listened with interest as we shared the work and mission of D&P and our past efforts in requesting that an effective ombudsperson be assigned to deal with issues of injustice and abuse as a result of Canadian enterprises abroad. We then presented the petition signed by parishioners asking for mandatory human and environmental rights due diligence legislation to be tabled in the House of Commons. Mr. Naqvi was enthusiastic in learning more and willing to support our request. To date 16,810 people across Canada have [signed the petition](#), and there have been 34 meetings with MPs. Thank you to those who supported this important Action Campaign!

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

[Catch a ball game](#): the Ottawa Titans take on the Empire State Greys at the Ottawa Stadium this weekend, **June 10-12**.

[The New Art Festival](#): Amble through the rows of art, eat delicious local food, take in some entertainment, and laze by the creek under a willow tree in Central Park in the Glebe. Rain or shine, **June 11-12**. Free admission.

[Summer Indigenous Art Festival](#): Explore the diverse and amazing work of Métis, Inuit, and First Nations makers on Sunday, **June 12**. Come and enjoy the fun at the National Arts Centre! Free admission.

Diocesan and Community News

CONVERSATIONS FOR OUR TIMES

“To Hope, or Not To Hope: Recovering a Culture of Peace”, Sunday, **June 12th** at 2:30pm via Zoom presented by St. Basil’s parish. We live in frightening times: the Ukraine war, the climate crisis, the unending COVID pandemic, modernization of nuclear weapons, and worsening economic and social inequalities. Our invited speaker, Hon. Douglas Roche, brings the wisdom of his life experience to guide us towards hope in the face of these many global threats. A distinguished author, parliamentarian and diplomat, Douglas Roche has specialized throughout his 50-year public career in peace and human security issues. This will indeed be a “conversation for our times”. Register in advance for this meeting [by clicking here](#).

ROSARY FOR THE FAMILY

Families from across Canada are invited to a live and virtual “Rosary for the Family” on **June 19th** at 3pm. The CCCB Standing Committee for Family and Life is hosting this national event in preparation for the 10th World Meeting of Families (June 22–26). Featuring different families and voices from across the country, it is an opportunity to gather in prayer with other faith-filled families. Everyone is welcome! [Register here for Zoom link](#). Click here for Rosary for the Family ebook.

MASS IN HONOUR OF NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

On **June 21st**, Archbishop Marcel Damphousse will celebrate a Mass at St. Basil’s Parish, 904 Rex Avenue, Ottawa at 7pm in honour of National Indigenous Peoples Day. All are welcome to attend!

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

In preparation for the 10th World Meeting of Families (WMF), the CCCB Standing Committee on Family and Life has produced [a short promotional video](#) to help bring to life the WMF theme “Family Love: Vocation and Path to Holiness”. Pope Francis has announced that the WMF event will be held in a new way: celebrated not only in Rome, but in all dioceses and eparchies across the world. Organized by both the Diocese of Rome and the Dicastery for the Laity, Family and Life, the WMF will take place **June 22-26** and will coincide with the closing of the Amoris Laetitia Family Year.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE AGM

The Ottawa-Cornwall Diocesan Council for Development and Peace invites you to join them for their AGM at Canadian Martyrs on **June 23rd** at 6pm, starting with welcome and refreshments. This will be an opportunity to learn about the work of D&P, to socialize with D&P membership, and to have your say in D&P’s democratic process. The new executive director of D&P, Carl Héту, will give the keynote address. He will offer insight into the strategic direction of D&P over the next five years and share his vision for the organization going forward. You are invited to attend in person, but you can register to participate online [by clicking here](#).

Events at Galilee Centre, Arnprior

SUMMER SOLSTICE 2022 LABYRINTH WALK

Tuesday, **June 21**, 8:00pm. \$20 suggested donation. Join this event for a short ceremony, labyrinth walk and refreshments.

MINDFULNESS IN THE LABYRINTH

This retreat, **June 20-21**, will offer an introduction to mindfulness meditation on the land and in the Labyrinth. Cost: One night and program \$225; Commuter Rate \$145 (includes meals)

SISTER WATER AND THE SULTAN

Tuesdays, **July 5, 12, 19 and 26**, 7:30 to 9:00pm
Facilitator: Len DesRoches (via Zoom)

In St. Francis of Assisi, we have a perfect companion to accompany us as we navigate these uncertain times. As a saint for our world and our times, Francis can walk with us as we discern what is and is not life-giving in the new “normal” around us. Cost: \$70

To register for events at Galilee Centre, call 613-623-4242, ext. 21 or email info@galileecentre.com. For more info, visit www.galileecentre.com.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Excerpt from a homily by Fr. Carl Kelly, OMI

Today we celebrate Trinity Sunday. The Trinity is at the very heart of what we believe. From our sacred books, we get many approaches to our God.

Today's readings give us a number of insights about our God. From the book of Proverbs, we have a song of praise of the creative power of God. Wisdom is presented as the lover of the master craftsman, who was at his side as the earth was created. The image is of a couple in love as they create the world. She speaks, "The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago... then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always." (Proverbs 8. 22-31)

In the second reading, Paul writes, "Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God". (Romans 5.1-3)

The Gospel tells us that before Jesus departed, he promised a Spirit of truth, a Spirit who would come and reveal all things to us, and lead us to complete truth. There is this passage from *Zorba, the Greek* by Nikos Kazantzakis. Zorba tells a story, "Hussein Aga was a saintly man. One day he took me on his knee and placed his hand on my head as though he were giving me his blessing. 'Alexis,' he said, 'I'm going to tell you a secret. You're too small to understand now, but you'll understand when you are bigger. Listen, little one: neither the seven stories of heaven nor the seven stories of the earth are enough to contain God; but a man's heart can contain him. So be very careful, Alexis—and may my blessing go with you—never to wound a man's heart!" Every human being's greatest drive, greatest urge, and greatest need is togetherness. To be whole, people need relationships. To be whole, people need to have someone in their lives. We human beings are in such a need for togetherness and communion, that our whole life is one long search for love. Our hearts are made for one another and for God. Rejection is such an intolerable hurt because we need desperately to be connected.

The answer is in today's Feast. We are made in the image and likeness of God and God is communion. God's image is written into our very natures, coded on our brain cells, and burned into our hearts. The feast of the Holy Trinity says that God is relationship, and therefore, so are we. God's own inner self is to 'be with,' to be in connection, to be family: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. What makes

God God is an intimate relationship. We cannot help ourselves. We are made to that image and likeness. We mirror our origins. We are who we are because God is who God is. So, this is what we are celebrating today. This profound Feast tells us how we are, who we are, and makes ever more real those famous words of St. Augustine, "You have made us for yourself, O God, and our hearts are restless till they rest in you." The Trinity is a mystery all right, but it is a mystery about us, too, a mystery of love and our quest for it, a mystery of the Triune community we shall both recognize and enjoy in heaven.

PRAYER FOR FAMILIES

Pope Francis releases his prayer intention for June 2022, and urges Catholics to pray for all families during the month in which Rome hosts the 10th World Meeting of Families. Let us pray for Christian families around the world; may each and every family embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives. [June: For Families](#)

A PAPAL BLESSING FOR ONTARIO AND QUEBEC

Cardinal Pietro Parolin, the Holy See's Secretary of State, has sent [a telegram](#) in the Pope's name to the president of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops following a destructive storm in Ontario and Quebec. Having been informed of the recent storms that struck southeastern Canada resulting in the loss of life and widespread destruction, His Holiness Pope Francis offers his prayers for all who are suffering the effects of this calamity. He commends the souls of the deceased to the loving mercy of Almighty God and assures the injured and those who grieve of his spiritual closeness.

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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.