

## 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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### Pastor

Fr. Tim Coonen, OMI

### Parish Life Coordinator

Maureen Cerroni

### Administrative Assistant

Heather Duggan

### 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

140 Main St.

613-237-2001

### Cemeteries

Hope Cemetery

613-822-1212

Notre-Dame

613-746-4175

## 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time June 25-26 2022



**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:** Fr. Léo Laberge, Gus VanDam, Bro. Wayne Jarvo, Agatha Lim, 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 Pope Francis' prayers for peace and justice and his life of humility and compassion be echoed in our daily lives, we pray to the Lord.

That, when the message of the Gospel seems too challenging, we remember that Jesus' main commandment is to love one another, we pray to the Lord.

That all those who must start life over in a foreign country find guidance and protection from God that leads them to new discoveries about themselves and God's love for them, we pray to the Lord.

That the work of our Parish's Committee on reconciliation with Indigenous communities will continue to produce clear steps and guidance for us on this journey towards healing, we pray to the Lord.

That we do not become complacent in our attitude towards the sick, the homeless, and the impoverished in our community, but that, instead, we support our Parish's outreach programs and renew our efforts towards social justice, we pray to the Lord.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., June 25 Brenda Kearns by Anne Marie Bazinet-Miller

Thurs., June 30 Eileen Hoswitschka by her family

## 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

## 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  
Please email the office for Zoom links.

## Our Parish News

### 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](#).

### THANK YOU!

Many thanks to everyone who made the return of Mass on the Grass a success! So much goes on behind the scenes and the Pastoral Team is grateful for all the help that makes this event happen. It was great to see our community back together again for Mass on the Grass.

### ST JOE'S SUPPER TABLE

St. Joe's Supper Table is seeking volunteers. They are welcoming back volunteers to St Joe's Supper Table with a gradual return to pre-pandemic operations. Seeking assistance with breakfast (8:30-11:30 am weekdays) shift and supper (2:30-5:30 pm, Tuesday - Friday) shift. Email: [suppertable@st-josephs.ca](mailto:suppertable@st-josephs.ca).

### VOCATIONS CAFE

OMI Lacombe's next Vocations Café is scheduled for Tuesday, **June 28** at 2:00pm. A conversation opens the door to mutual respect and understanding. Mark Guevarra will be talking about his experience of living faith as LGBTQ Catholic. Mark Guevarra is a doctoral student at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California, with an interest in how restorative justice practices are necessary steps along the synodal path. His interest is personal, having experienced a relational rupture following his firing as a pastoral associate for

being in a same-gender relationship. Mark's faith, shaped by his Filipino-Canadian and gay identity, is something he is passionate about witnessing to, sharing, and nurturing in a world of grace and brokenness. It will be streamed LIVE on [fb.me/missionaryoblates](https://fb.me/missionaryoblates) with an opportunity to engage in the conversation.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES

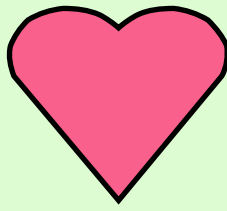
We would like to recognize and congratulate our younger parishioners who may have "graduated" from one phase of their schooling and are anticipating the move to the next stage of their education, or have graduated from high school, university, or college.

### ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

It's Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day on **June 24**, meaning Quebeckers have a long weekend. You can celebrate it at Parc des Cèdres in the Aylmer sector of Gatineau (15, rue Raoul-Roy) at the 4-day [L'Outaouais en fête festival](#) (**June 23 to 26**).

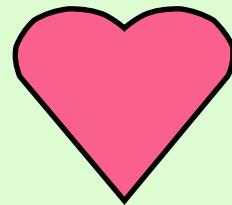
The [Tim Hortons Ottawa Dragon Boat Festival](#) is back at Mooney's Bay Beach (2960 Riverside Drive) from **June 24 to 26**. The free, all-ages event includes an all-Canadian music lineup, topped by The Strumbellas (Friday at 9:30pm) and Serena Ryder (Saturday at 9:30pm). On **Canada Day**, there will be two fly-overs by the RCAF Snowbirds. The first will occur between 11:45am and 12:30pm, and the second will be between 3:30pm and 4:00pm.

On Saturday, **July 2**, the City of Ottawa, in collaboration with the Central Canada Exhibition Association, will host a community festival at Lansdowne Park to celebrate 30 years since Ottawa City Council resolved to restore the Aberdeen Pavilion. For more information, [click here](#).



# Thank you from the heart

Dear parishioners,  
I was so surprised and amazed to find your online group card in my inbox, along with many individual greetings! Thank you for your very kind words of gratitude and encouragement. It means a lot to me to hear from so many of you! I really appreciate the very practical gift that will serve me well on my 33 hour trip to Queensland and many more adventures too! I look forward to seeing you in the pews and in our committees and zooms.  
- Maureen



# Diocesan and Community News

## PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF ST. ANN

In Cormac, Ontario with Bishop Guy Desrochers. Theme: "History of the Devotion to St. Ann". Thursday-Saturday, **July 28-30**, Masses at 7pm & Sunday, **July 31**, Outdoor Mass of Healing at 11am, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction at 1:00 pm. Priests will bless the faithful with St. Ann's oil. All welcome! Info: [www.cormacpilgrimage.com](http://www.cormacpilgrimage.com). Info: 613-628-2020

## OTTAWA PASTORAL CARE TRAINING PROGRAM (OPCTP)

An inter-denominational program affiliated with the Christian Council of the Capital Area presents a two 9-week Basic Courses in Pastoral Care beginning in September; afternoon course will be given in person and the evening class will take place on Zoom. Continuing Education event in November will feature Pam Grassau in an exploration of HELP Ottawa. Info: 613-591-3366; [ottawapastoralcare@gmail.com](mailto:ottawapastoralcare@gmail.com); [www.ottawapastoralcare.com](http://www.ottawapastoralcare.com).

## CATCH THE ACE LOTTERY

The Ottawa Central Council (OCC) of the Society of St-Vincent de Paul is pleased to announce the return of the Catch the Ace lottery. **The first draw will take place on July 12 and every Tuesday after that until the Ace of Spades is drawn again.** Tickets are \$10 each, purchase online only, and they are good for the draw on the Tuesday after the purchase. This lottery supports the Anchor Housing project with which the Ottawa Central Council hopes to provide safe, secure, permanent housing for 4-6 Indigenous families. For details and to start playing, go to <https://ssvpottawa.ca/>

## ST. PATRICK'S BOOK & GIFT SHOP

Spring Clearance Sale will end on **June 30**. Stop by today to choose from hundreds of titles that have to go! For hours and online store visit the website, <https://www.stpgiftsandbooks.ca/>.

## PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE

The Seventh Annual Prayers for Peace for Ukraine and the World will be held on Saturday, **June 25** at 11am in front of the Eternal Flame on Parliament Hill. This year, in particular, Ukraine is in need of powerful prayer support. All are welcome.

## MULTIFAITH HOUSING INITIATIVE (MHI)

Every year, [MHI hosts Tulipathon](#), a walkathon fundraiser at Dow's Lake. MHI's 70+ faith group members are invited to walk among the tulips and raise money for the tenants who live at MHI. **MHI is below their fundraising goal and donations are still being accepted until June 30th.** Donations support their rental subsidies program. Give via the Tulipathon [fundraising website today](#).

# Events at Galilee Centre, Arnprior

## 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

## STRAWBERRY SOCIAL

Galilee Centre Fundraiser on Canada Day, **July 1st** either indoors in the historic dining room or outdoors in the screened in patio, 1:00pm – 4:00pm, \$10 per person, pay at the door, children 6 and under are free.

**To register** for events at Galilee Centre, 398 John Street, North, Arnprior ON, 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).

## 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Over the next few Sundays, we will hear stories of Jesus teaching. We will hear of cures and healings and other miracle stories. The readings today tells us stories about calls and responses. The first reading today tells us of the call of Elisha, the prophet. He is called to follow and be a disciple of the great prophet, Elijah. He, at first delays, but then follows totally and completely.

Today's Gospel presents to us some stories of the implications of being disciples of Jesus. Several people had asked to become disciples. Some people Jesus tells not to delay; others he sends back; others he warns that when God calls, they were to respond instantly and totally. When we present children to be baptized, we start them on a journey of following Christ. We have all been in that situation ourselves, whether someone else brought us, or we came on our own. For those of us who were brought by our parents, at some time, as an adult, we have had to make that commitment real, and we know that it is easier to make the commitment than it is to keep it.

I would like to tell you a story about commitment. It was over a hundred years ago in a leper colony. Leper colonies were probably the most hateful and depressing places on earth. Leprosy was a terrible disease. The body of the person would be horribly disfigured. Not only was the disease terrible to look at, it was highly contagious.

Those who came into contact with people who had leprosy were in great danger of contacting it themselves. For this reason, lepers were isolated into special segregated colonies. It was the worst kind of segregation to be sent to a leper colony. You would never be able to leave. There was nothing anyone could do for you.

Though the people who operated these colonies did the best they could for the inhabitants, there was nothing for them to do except prowl around the yard, alone and abandoned and wait to die. It so happened that in one of these colonies, there was a man who had a certain gleam in his eye. The Sister in charge of this colony wondered why this particular man kept his humanity, while all the others seemed to have lost theirs. She watched for a few days and saw that the tip of a woman's face appeared above the high wall every day. The part Sister could see was only as big as her hand, all smiles. The man would be in the courtyard, waiting to see that smile. He would smile back at the face, then it would disappear, and his long wait for the next day would begin all over again.

When the Sister one day took them by surprise, he said simply: "She is my wife." and after a brief pause, he went

on: "Before I came here, she hid me in our house and looked after me with anything she could get. A doctor had given her some paste to treat my disease. Every day she would smear my face with it, all except one tiny little corner, just enough to allow her to put her lips on it. But it couldn't last, one day, the authorities picked me up and brought me here. She followed me here, and she comes to see me every day. Know that it is because of her that I can still go on living."

I would like to close with the prayer, "The Road Ahead" from *Thoughts in Solitude* by Thomas Merton.

"My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going.

I do not see the road ahead of me.

I cannot know for certain where it will end.

nor do I really know myself,

and the fact that I think I am following your will

does not mean that I am actually doing so.

But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you.

And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.

I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.

And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it.

Therefore will I trust you always, though

I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.

I will not fear, for you are ever with me,

and you will never leave me to face my perils alone."

### VOCATION REFLECTION

"I Will Follow You... But..."

by Jarek Pachocki, OMI - Vocation Director

Discerning our vocation can be a challenging task. When we focus on listening for God's call in our lives, we have to step out of our "comfort zone" and stop giving excuses – which is not easy. Today's Gospel story presents to us the tension between the call and the wholehearted answer: "I will follow you, but...". There are many factors that can hold us back such as fear, uncertainty, uncomfortableness of letting go, or simply a lack of a clear vision and direction. Even the saints struggled with this! Read the [reflection here](#).

"God made the world round so we would never be able to see too far down the road."

- Karen Blixen

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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.