

Canadian Martyrs Church

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Our community respectfully acknowledges that we are situated on the unceded ancestral lands and waters of the Algonquin people, on whose territory we live, pray, work, and grow in faith and understanding.

Mass Schedule

Tuesday-Friday at 11:30am

Saturday at 5:00pm

Sunday at 10:00am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday-Friday at 10:45am

Saturday at 4:15pm

or call the office

Pastor

Fr. Tim Coonen, OMI

Administrative Assistant

Heather Duggan

Pastoral Associate

Sr. Matilda Owolagba

Director of Religious Ed.

Adele Casuga Lalonde

Pastoral Council

Sue-Anne Hess

Meetings: 1st Thurs., 7:00pm

Finance Committee

Joseph Duggan

Development and Peace

Anna Dorner

Weekly Gatherings

Christian Meditation

Dorothy Wood

Mondays, 3pm

Lectio Divina and Meditation

Maureen Cerroni

Tuesdays, 8pm

Evening Prayer

Pierre LaViolette

Thursdays, 6:30pm

Sunday Liturgy of the Word

Sundays, 11:30am

[Via Zoom](#)

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 7/8, 2023



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

That the Church, convoked in Synod, will be open and responsive to the movement of the Spirit, we pray to the Lord.

That our Archdiocesan efforts towards healing and reconciliation unite us to walk together with the Indigenous Peoples on this Christ-Centred Co-Journey towards healing, we pray to the Lord.

That our parish continue to work and pray for reconciliation with our Indigenous brothers and sisters, taking positive steps to enable them to find solutions, according to their own rich traditions, for healing and rebuilding their family structures and community life, we pray to the Lord.

That Fr. Tim, who celebrates his 40th anniversary of ordination this weekend, knows how much we value and cherish the love and comfort that he brings to so many here at Canadian Martyrs Parish, Immaculata High School, and beyond, we pray to the Lord.

That on this Thanksgiving weekend, we take time today and every day, to be grateful for the gifts we have received from the Holy Spirit and to be open to the diversity and strengths of the people who surround us, we pray to the Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK: Carol Bazinet, Louise Blanchett-Smith, Isabella Boles, Devin Bursey, Sandy Cano, Frank Chauvin, Eileen De Rosayro, Sheila Gasnick, Eileen Kearns, Marigold Kenney, Fran Kubale, Jeff Meulemans, Carrie Plamann, Jeff Stadtmueller, Gerarda Staples

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Oct. 7 Lorna and Dan Kelly by Connie Kelly; **Tues., Oct. 10** Intentions of Patricia Kehoe by her friends; Filomena & Lorenzo by Lidia Cotroneo; **Wed., Oct. 11** Gisela Goracz by her family; **Sat., Oct. 14** Anne Smith by Pauline Willey; John Dorner by Anne Marie Bazinet-Miller

Mass intentions are available for weekday Masses and Saturday Mass for a \$15.00 stipend. Please contact the parish office.

Our Parish News

8TH ANNUAL WALK FOR THE CENTRE

Thank you to all who donated to the Centretown Community Food Centre by supporting our walking team at the Walk for the Centre on Sunday, Oct. 1. It was a beautiful day for a walk in support of a good cause. There is still time to [donate](#), the campaign ends on Nov. 1, 2023.

CANDIDATES FOR CONFIRMATION

At Mass on **October 14**, the young people of our parish who have asked to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation will present themselves to the assembly. They will ask for the prayers of the community during their preparation process. Parishioners who wish to commit to daily prayer for a single candidate are invited to be a prayer partner. Cards with a prayer and the name of a young person will be available after Mass on both October 14 and 15.

PIZZA NIGHT

Our first pizza night of the season will be on Saturday, **October 14** after the 5pm Mass. Come join us for food, socialization, sometimes solace, and fun beyond the church pews!

OCTOBER LUNCH AND LEARN

Our Lunch and Learn topic on **October 15** after Mass will be green burials. Mary Nash is a director of [Green Burial Ottawa Valley](#), a not-for-profit co-op working to establish a green/natural burial ground in the Ottawa Valley. The presentation will outline several current methods of disposition and show why green/natural burial is a good choice. After Ms. Nash's presentation, we will have a round-table discussion about how green burial fits in with the seven goals of the *Laudato Si'* movement, as we work together to care for our common home.

507 SANDWICH CLUB

Come make sandwiches for Centre 507 in-person in the parish centre on Thursday, Oct. 26 at 1:30pm or 7pm.

All ingredients for the sandwiches are supplied by the parish. Please [sign up here](#) or call/[email](#) the office.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Catherine Clifford, a noted historian, theologian, and parishioner at Canadian Martyrs, is part of the first group of laypeople ever appointed as full members of the Synod. She told the *National Catholic Register* (NCR) that the consensus of the two-year consultation process leading to the synodal assembly made clear "the pain and the woundedness" of many women who feel their work serving

the church is not being recognized. Read [the full article here](#) or listen to the [podcast interview](#).

To follow what is shaping up as possibly one of the most important gatherings in the long history of the Catholic Church, taking place in Rome from **October 4-29**, check out the [NCR's Synod on Synodality series](#). Each week during the synod, [The Vatican Briefing podcast](#) will release an episode featuring both the latest updates from the gathering and an exclusive interview with one of the assembly's members. Be sure to subscribe!

A CHRIST-CENTRED, CO-JOURNEY TOWARDS HEALING

This weekend our families gather to give thanks to the Father for our many blessings. One of the ways that we can show our appreciation is by sharing with others. We are asking you to support the [Indigenous Reconciliation Fund](#) on **November 4/5**. All monies raised will be used to support initiatives by local Indigenous groups and organizations. One project that has received funding, thanks to your generosity, is a series of six retreats organized by Kateri Native Ministry to promote healing and reconciliation.

MEMORIAL MASS

Our Memorial Mass to remember our recently deceased relatives will be celebrated on Sunday, **November 5** at 10am. Further details to follow.

VOCATION REFLECTION

"Of Vineyards and Tenants"

by Richard Beaudette, OMI, Vocation Team

Jesus asks a fundamental question of each of us: What kind of Kingdom do you want – one of our own making, or one that is founded on the forgiving, loving norms of God's desire for humanity? Paul reminds us that if we truly seek to live by God's Word, then we need to pray with trust, a trust that leads to peace, remembering that God urges us to do good in every circumstance of our lives. Verbalizing our needs in prayer will keep us attentive to where God is leading us. This kind of prayer leads to love of God and a life that Paul describes as honourable, just, pure, gracious, true, excellent, etc. A life that contributes to the good of all in every action of each day. Read [the full reflection](#).

Diocesan and Community News

WALKING TOGETHER ON A JOURNEY TOWARDS RECONCILIATION

A panel discussion on how parishioners, clergy and Indigenous Peoples can engage more closely with one another on the path to Reconciliation at St. Paul University, 223 Main St., on Saturday, **Oct. 14** from 2-4pm. There is no charge for this event, but please register ahead of time to attend in person or online by contacting Tony Ritchie (ritchieanthony3@gmail.com).

TAGWÀGI (AUTUMN) FESTIVAL

Reconnect with the land while learning about Indigenous traditions during this beautiful change of season at Mādahòki Farm. The third annual [Tagwàgi \(Autumn\) Festival](#), **October 14 - 15**, 10am to 5pm, features authentic Indigenous programming, an Indigenous Makers and Farmers' Market, interactive creative workshops, Indigenous harvest meals and the rare Ojibwe Spirit Horses - fun for young and old.

FUNDRAISING DINNER

On Saturday, **Oct. 21** at 6pm, St. Joe's Supper Table will be hosting an Autumn Harvest Fundraising Dinner at St. Joseph's Parish Hall, 174 Wilbrod. The longstanding interfaith partnership with the Islam Care Centre will be recognized. The four-course halal fall-themed dinner is prepared in-house by St. Joe's chef. This is an opportunity to celebrate a unique partnership between the Catholic and Muslim communities. Tickets are \$45 and can be purchased [by clicking here](#).

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

On **October 22**, we observe World Mission Sunday. On this day, Catholics are invited to pray for and support missionaries who share the Gospel around the world, sometimes at the risk to their own life and safety. When

the disciples recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, their eyes were opened and they ran to share with others the joy of meeting the Lord. Similarly, "those who allow themselves to be saved by [Jesus] are freed from sin, from sadness, from inner emptiness, from isolation [...]. One cannot truly encounter the risen Jesus without being set on fire with enthusiasm to tell everyone about him" says Pope Francis for the occasion of World Mission Day 2023 (Living With Christ, Oct, p. 181).

D&P FALL CAMPAIGN WORKSHOP

Around the world, people who defend the environment, water and land are often threatened, criminalized, imprisoned, or even killed. Development and Peace's fall campaign is focusing on Honduras, which is one of the five most dangerous countries in the world for land defenders. Join this workshop:

When: Saturday, **October 28**, 9am-1:30pm

Where: In-Person at St. Joseph's Women's Centre, 151 Laurier Ave E.

[In-Person Registration](#) or [Zoom online Registration](#)

LAUDATE DEUM

Pope Francis has published an Apostolic Exhortation building on his 2015 encyclical. We're not reacting enough, he says, we're close to a breaking point. He criticizes climate change deniers, saying that the human origin of global warming is now beyond doubt. And he describes how care for our common home flows from the Christian faith. "'Praise God' is the title of this letter. For when human beings claim to take God's place, they become their own worst enemies." That's how Pope Francis ends his new [Apostolic Exhortation](#), published on October 4, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi.

Events at Galilee Centre, Arnprior

October 11: Luminary Walk Fundraiser Event

An illuminated walk of the labyrinth, music by cellist, Patrick Kline, and dinner.

October 21: Mary: A Contemplative Woman

Day Retreat, Facilitator: Monique DeBeats

October 21, 5pm: The Life of Mary in Depicted in Icons, includes dinner, Facilitator: Suzanne Manchovsky

October 22, 2 pm: Icon Installment Opening

Wine and cheese event with presentation by iconographer, Suzanne Manchovsky.

November 7 & 14: The Letter: *Laudato Si'* film

screening and discussions. The first hybrid evening event will focus on the viewing of the film and the second will be reflections on the update to *Laudato Si'* from the Pope.

To register for events at Galilee Centre, 398 John Street, North, Arnprior ON, call 613-623-4242, ext. 21 or email info@galileecentre.com. For info and cost of programs: www.galileecentre.com.

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

DONATIONS: Forms are available on the Welcome Table in the church foyer if you wish to make donations through direct deposit. If you wish to donate via credit card through Canada Helps, [please click here](#). Please call the office if you would like a box of offering envelopes. Thank you!

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Please contact the office to inform us of shut-ins or people in hospital so that we can arrange to bring Holy Communion and administer the Sacrament of the Sick, if desired.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Please contact the office to schedule a baptism.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Please contact the office to set up an interview with our pastor. It is recommended that the first contact be a minimum of 6 months before the wedding.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MINUTES: The minutes of Parish Pastoral Council meetings can be [found here](#) and on the Welcome Table.

FOOD DONATIONS: Non-perishable food items for the Centretown Community Food Centre are collected on an on-going basis. Please place food items in the crates in the church foyer.

MILK BAGS: Milk bags are collected for making into sleeping mats. Please bring in the outer coloured bags and put them in the baskets under the table in the hall near the breezeway.

507 SANDWICH CLUB: If you are interested in volunteering for the 507 Sandwich Club, [please click here](#). If you would like to donate towards the sandwich ingredients, [please click here](#) (choose 507 Sandwich Club fund).