



Holy Canadian Martyrs Church

A parish of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

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We gather on the traditional and unceded territory of the Algonquin Nation.

*We offer our time, our attention, and our support, listening and learning together,
knowing that respect grows strongest when it is shared.*

PASSION SUNDAY, MARCH 28/29, 2026

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 10:00am

Tuesday 7:00pm

Wed.-Fri. 12:15pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before Mass Tuesday-Saturday or call the office



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REMEMBER IN PRAYER: All who are ill, including: Debbie Artman, Carol Bazinet, Devin Bursey, Brian Cano, Sandy Cano, Austin DeCoste, Fr. Jim Fiori, John H., Nick H., Eileen Kearns, Marigold Kenney, Sandra LaPointe, Sr. Gwen Legault, OLM, Tony Lim, Fr. Peter Monty, Marg Anne Morrison, Janna Petrunik, Michael Petrunik, Eleanor Rabnett, Br. Len Rego, Fr. Ollie Rich, Caroline Samson, Jeff Stadtmueller, Beatriz Vercosa Leal

MASS INTENTIONS: **Wed., April 1** Intentions of Julian & Sandra Bennett by Yvonne Bennett; **Tues., April 7** For peace in the world; **Wed., April 8** Ewa Bennett & Teresa Fallenbuchl by Yvonne Bennett; **Thurs., April 9** Jacques Lalonde by Jennifer Ramsaran; **Sat., April 11** Lorna Kelly by Connie Kelly; **Thurs., April 23** Intentions in our prayer basket; **Sat., April 25** Pearl Grady by Rosemarie Hoey

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Sat., Mar. 28: Young Adult Group, 7pm

Tues., Mar. 31: Eucharistic Adoration after 7pm Mass

Sat., April 11: Laudato Si' Team meeting, 3pm

Sat., April 11: Pizza night after Mass

Sun., April 12: Lunch and Learn after Mass

Mon., April 13: T&R Committee meeting via Zoom, 7pm

Pastor

Fr. Frank Kuczera, OMI

Administrative Assistant

Heather Duggan

Pastoral Associate

Sr. Matilda Owolagba

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Meetings: 1st Thurs., 7pm

Finance Council

Joseph Duggan

Development and Peace

Anna Dorner

Laudato Si' Team

Agnes Richard

Meetings: 2nd Wed., 7pm

Christian Meditation

Dorothy Wood

Mondays, 3pm, via Zoom

Lectio Divina &

Meditation

Maureen Cerroni

Tuesdays, 8pm, via Zoom

Evening Prayer

Brian Cano

Thurs., 6:30pm, via Zoom

RCIA

Sundays, 8:45am

Parish Centre

LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

This Lent, help us collect 750 non-perishable food and hygiene items for the Centretown Community Food Centre to support people in need in our community. As of March 23, we have collected 755 items and delivered them to the Food Centre as our cupboard was full! **We will continue to count donations until Holy Thursday, so let's see if we can break last year's record of 800 items!**

YOUTH GROUP

Our next Youth Group meeting will take place on Friday, **March 27** at 7pm. Join us for activities, our faith development discussions focusing on "the Way of the Cross", and snacks!

YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Join us for a Gentle Walk Through Holy Week: Faith, Fellowship and Reflection on Saturday, **March 28** at 6pm. Nourish your body and spirit! All young adults welcome. Bring a friend and join us!

DONATIONS FOR THE POOR ON HOLY THURSDAY

On this Holy Thursday, **April 2**, we are reminded of the call to serve others in love and humility. We invite you to support the poor by giving non-perishable food items or monetary contributions. There will be baskets for your donations as you enter the church. Thank you for sharing your blessings with those in need.

EASTER VIGIL RECEPTION

All are invited to a reception after the Easter Vigil on Saturday, **April 4**. The parish will provide the wine and cheese, and we will welcome donations of sweet or savoury items. Please email the office if you can bring something to share. Thank you!

REFUGEE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Our newcomer family will now arrive **April 13** (delayed due to travel challenges from the Middle East). Housing is secured, and we are now collecting essential items. If you have the following you could donate, please email christine.andress@gmail.com or text 613-304-0585 first, so we can avoid duplicates. **Please send pictures and dimensions of furniture if possible. Do not drop off items at the Parish Centre yet.**

Warm clothing/coats: Women's small/medium, Men's medium/large, boy 5-6 years, baby boy 9 months.

Boots (European shoe sizes): women's 39, men's 43, boy 32, baby 25.

Furniture: living room furniture, small dining table and chairs, lamps, small dressers.

Kitchen: pots and pans and baking ware, knives, dishes, cutting board, dish rack, cooking utensils, kettle

Linens: towels, curtains, sheets (queen and twin), pillows, blankets

Bathroom: Shower curtain, bath mat, waste-paper basket.

Cleaning supplies: bucket, cloths, dish-soap, all-purpose cleaner, toilet-brush, mop.

Misc: curtain rods, tool kit, first aid kit, wheeled shopping trolley, laundry basket, clothes drying rack, fan

Baby items: Rear-facing car seat.

If you have a truck and would be willing to volunteer your time helping to move furniture, please let us know.

PIZZA NIGHT

Our next pizza night will be on Saturday, **April 11** after Mass. Come join us for pizza and conversation. Pizza is \$3/slice and drinks are \$1.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Join us for Lunch and Learn after Mass on Sunday, **April 12**. Agnes Richard will present the Catholic Eco-Investment Accelerator Toolkit. This resource was developed by Mouvement Laudato Si' Movement - Canada to help small and medium investors discern how to align their financial savings (retirement pensions, savings plans, etc.) through a lens of ecological sustainability and Indigenous allyship. She will present how such decisions can help shape a societal shift towards a just energy transition.

BLOOD/PLASMA DONATION GROUP

A small parish group is looking for more parishioners to join them for a group blood donation after Easter. Is anyone interested in joining them? The day is not set yet. Join them and save a life. Donating blood creates a life-changing connection. It saves patients in need—and gives you the profound reward of making a difference. So, Who's Saving Who? Please contact the office if you would like to join the group or need more information.

CHRISM MASS

Attend the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, **March 31** at 5pm at the Notre-Dame Cathedral, 385 Sussex Dr. The Chrism Mass is a special annual Mass where our Archdiocese gathers together to receive the new holy oils for the year. Priests renew their vows and the Archbishop blesses three different oils which are then distributed to parishes: the Oil of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens, and the Sacred Chrism.

WAY OF THE CROSS PROCESSION

The Way of the Cross procession, with prayers, songs, and reflections, will be led by the Most Rev. Marcel Dampousse, Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall on Good Friday, **April 3**, 9:30am - 12:30pm. Starting from St. Patrick's Basilica, 220 Kent St. through the streets of downtown Ottawa, ending at Notre Dame Cathedral Basilica, 385 Sussex Dr.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

For those celebrating 60 (or more), 50, 40, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10 & 5 years of marriage in 2026! At Notre Dame Cathedral on Sunday, **May 3**, 2:30 pm. The registration form is now available at <https://forms.office.com/r/jpBDLwD0Kg>. Please register before **April 16** to ensure your place! For questions, please contact Annmarie at annmarie.brown@ottawacornwall.ca.

WATER FIRST

Water First partners with Indigenous communities in Canada that have identified training and education as one part of the solution to the clean water crisis. By focusing on technical training and education for youth and adults, Water First aims to support capacity building and sustained access to safe, clean water in Indigenous communities across Canada. To learn more about what Water First does, [click here](#).

CARTY HOUSE FUNDRAISER

Carty House is delighted to promote the 2026 spring musical production from Unity for Action, an amazing student club at the University of Ottawa. All proceeds of the play, *Shoulder the Sky*, go to Carty House! Shows are Fri/Sat/Sun **March 27/28/29** at 7pm at the Alumni Auditorium at the University of Ottawa, 85 University Private. Tickets are \$20. Buy your tickets [here](#).

FAITH IN ACTION

An opportunity for young adults to reflect on how they can live the Gospel through justice and solidarity. During the gathering on Sunday, **May 3**, 2 - 4pm, at Sagrada Familia Parish, 152 Glenora St., we will:

- Hear a short Gospel reflection connected to justice and mission
- Reflect together on our responsibility as Christians, especially as young believers living in the Global North
- Participate in an interactive activity to explore themes of justice and solidarity
- Learn about opportunities to get involved with Development and Peace – Caritas Canada

The hope is to create a space where young adults can connect their faith with action and discover how they can respond to the call of the Gospel in today's world.

Food will be provided

THE FAITHFUL: WOMEN IN THE BIBLE

The highly anticipated Biblical Event Series, *The Faithful: Women of the Bible*, starring Minnie Driver, Natacha Karam, and Jeffrey Donovan, premiered Sunday, March 22 (8:00–10:00pm) on FOX and unfolds as a three-week television event culminating on Easter Sunday, April 5. Episodes will also stream the next day on Hulu. To learn more, [click here](#).

ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK

Enjoy dinner, dance, and karaoke at St. Theresa's Parish, 95 Somerset West, on Saturday, **April 25** from 6 to 11pm in support of the Food Bank and Hope Ministries. Tickets are \$50. Free parking. Contact Wendy, 613-230-4552 or Roger, 613-227-5423.

FIAT

Fiat is a series of nights for women ages 18-35 discerning consecrated life, including religious life and consecrated virginity. Following Mary's Fiat (her "yes" to God), come learn more about the vocation of consecrated life and see how God may be calling you. Evenings will run from 7-9 pm and will include a talk, small and large group discussion, prayer time, and time for fellowship. The first evening is on Thursday, **April 30** at St. Mary's Parish, 100 Young St.



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HOLY WEEK

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Tuesday, 31 March, 2026

7:00pm Daily Mass

Wednesday, 1 April, 2026

12:15pm Daily Mass

Holy Thursday, 2 April, 2026

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, 3 April, 2026

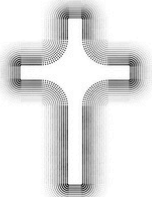
3:00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Easter Vigil, 4 April, 2026

8:00pm Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Sunday, 5 April, 2026

10:00am Mass



AVAILABLE SPACE!

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