



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 26 APRIL 2015

***“I am the good shepherd, I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father.”***

(26 April Readings: Acts 4:7-12; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18)

### *Announced Mass intentions*

Sat., April 25	5:00PM Mass – Daub Family+
Sun., April 26	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> 8:00AM Mass – Frances Rose Kwiatkowski+ 9:30AM Mass – Lucille Gauthier+ Willis Wren+ Anne Duprey+ Rollande Fex Poirier+ 11:15AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
Mon., April 27	<b>NO MASS</b>
Tues., April 28	9:30AM Mass – Edward Timmons (lvg)
Wed., April 29	12:15PM Mass – Antoinette Ahmarani+
Thurs., April 30	10:00AM Communion Service at Windsor Park Manor 12:15PM Mass – Raymond Moore+
Fri., May 01	11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass – Mary Baicer+
Sat., May 02	5:00PM Mass – Doherty Family+
Sun., May 03	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> 8:00AM Mass – William Labadie+ 9:30AM Mass – Gerry Vullings (lvg) Edward Timmons (lvg) Laura and Pauline Forgues+ 11:15AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners

### *Events Calendar*

Sat., April 25	9:30AM NO Prayer Group 9:30AM NO Eucharistic Minister training 12:00PM Women's Luncheon – Hall 3:00PM Club 55+ - Volunteer Garden Information Session – parish hall
Sun., April 26	9:30AM Children's Liturgy 12:30PM Baptism – Church
Mon., April 27	12:30PM Potato Peelers – Hall 1:30PM Club 55+ - Gardening 6:30PM <b>CONFIRMATION PREPARATION SESSION #3</b> – Hall
Tues., April 28	8:00PM A.A. – Hall
Wed., April 29	7:30PM Choir (9:30) practice – Church
Thurs., April 30	7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
Sat., May 02	9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A 10:00AM <b>CONFIRMATION RETREAT &amp; RECONCILIATION</b> – Hall
Sun., May 03	9:30AM Children's Liturgy 10:30AM Baptismal Preparation – Library

**Pancake Breakfast** after all morning Masses – parish hall

**Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are sick...**

**-Our parishioners—** Ron Black, Garry Brown, Teofina Dubé, Harry Goldsmith, Alice Johnson, Romeo Maione, Charlotte McCarthy, Edwina Laturnus, Mike McDonald, Jean N'dah, Santa Sedlar, Alma Serrette, Joe Tonin, Rene Venasse, Gerry Vullings

**-Immediate family members—** Bobby Arnold (nephew of Fran Hadley), Jennifer Barns (niece of Trish Brighton), Vic Edwards (husband of Deanna Heney-Edwards), Keith Esmond (father of Liz), Estelle Freed (daughter of Helen Dick), Emily MacLeod (daughter of Marilyn & Martin), Lisa Nancarrow (daughter of Janet & Robin), Eric Polspoel (husband of Jacinthe Bourdeau), Maria Rodrigues (mother of Cajé)

### *Pastor's Column...*

#### **JESUS, THE GOOD SHEPHERD**

The Gospel message today centres on Jesus as the Good Shepherd whom the prophets foretold. The bond of love uniting us is based on the love that unites the Father and Jesus. Peter and John in the first reading today 'spoke out boldly' and made an impact. A courageous proclamation of the gospel to our contemporaries can be as fruitful now as it was in apostolic times. All the baptised, particularly those who are confirmed, are bound to spread the faith. Our faith urges us to take personal part in the work of evangelisation. How many evils persist in our society just because good people say nothing and do nothing? They prefer not to soil their hands. "Good Shepherd Sunday" is an opportunity to think and pray for our priests and also for all who serve God's people in different ways. The image of the shepherd appealed to Christians from the start, because it conveys the *personal* nature of the relationship between Jesus and his followers; it portrays the close personal care that the shepherd has for the sheep. The shepherd has gone looking for the one sheep that wandered off and having found it, he takes it home to the flock upon his shoulders. There is a bond between the shepherd and this one sheep as clearly portrayed in the Gospel. He declares that he knows his own and his own know him, just as the Father knows him and he knows the Father. Jesus is saying that the very personal relationship he has with his heavenly Father is the model for the equally personal relationship he has with each one of us.

God Bless you.  
Fr. Gilles Njobam CMF  
Associate Pastor

### *Parish News and Community Life...*

**2014 TAX RECEIPTS** are available for pick up at the back of the Church. We would like to thank all our Parishioners for their generosity throughout 2014.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to all the children who celebrated First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 19: **Isobel Ablett, Catherine Bakker, Mason Brock, Aidan, Brown, Emanuel Buss-Foncea, Curtis Buttera, Sebastian Franchi, Keegan Francis, Joseph Grabetz, Grace Grenon, Alexis Julian Diaz, John**



**Kealey, Dorian Kopanski, Veronica La Prairie-McSwiggan, Sophia Law, Ryan Monari, Nicole Pilatti, Keiko Pomakis, Merrick Spirito, Dexter Stanley, Hugh Stratford, Lucas Tejada, and Joaquin Zavala Barrett.**

*"May they keep the flame of faith alive in their hearts!"*

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**NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE—MAY 14, 2015**



**GREAT NEWS!** Holy Cross will be renting a school bus to take parishioners from our parking lot to Parliament Hill to join in the **NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE on Thursday, May 14.** This is an opportunity for parishioners to participate in the March and show their support for life that is so needed in these times. There is a poster and sign-up sheets for the bus on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Church. You may also sign-up by contacting Warner Besserer at 613-620-1665 or [m.w.besserer@rogers.com](mailto:m.w.besserer@rogers.com). For more details with respect to the March, and other related events, please take a National March for Life pamphlet available at all the entrances of the Church.

**DEBRA-DYNES FAMILY HOUSE**—again this year, for Mother's Day, we are collecting small gifts (new or gently used) that the children in the DDFH community can purchase for a coin to give their Moms. Toiletries, accessories, kitchen or hobby items, knick-knacks and books are big hits. Please put donations in the DDFH box under the MPD table through Sunday, May 03.

**BILLETTERS NEEDED** for Canadian students in grades 10, 11 and 12 who are coming to Ottawa for the National Student Commonwealth Forum from May 09 to May16. Please call Charles Gunning at 613-737-2179 if you are able to help.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

**ELECTIONS** to fill four positions for Parish Pastoral Council will be held on May 24, 2015. Those elected will serve a two-year term. The nominating committee consists of Fr. James Raphel, Mario Costanza and Pusparini Randing. Nomination forms are available at the Walkley Road entrance and **must be submitted no later than May 10, 2015.** Nomination forms should include a photo and a brief description what you would wish to contribute to the PPC. For more information call the Parish office at 613-731-7834.

**PASTORAL CARE**

**OUR TRAINED PASTORAL CARE TEAM MEMBERS** are available to visit and/or bring Holy Communion to the sick, house-bound, lonely, or bereaved. If you would like to access our services, please call Alex Howard at 613-523-4694.

***Social Action...***

**MISSION, PEACE, AND DEVELOPMENT**

Many thanks for your recent donations of wired ribbon for the African AIDS Angels project as well as used stamps for

Development and Peace. The Angel Makers generously buy most of the materials required to craft the Angels (glue guns, glue, hair and ribbon) so your donations of wired ribbon are a big help. Used stamps are delivered to the local D&P at the Diocesan Centre. Stamps are sorted and sold in large lots to collectors. Donations can be left at the MPD table at the back of the church. Check out the display on the bulletin board while you are there.

**ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP – VATICAN SUMMIT:** On April 28, the Vatican will host a summit entitled "Protect the Earth, Dignify Humanity: the Moral Dimensions of Climate Change and Sustainable Development." The summit will address the moral and religious imperative of protecting the environment given "its intrinsic connection to respect for people – especially the poor, the excluded, victims of human trafficking and modern slavery, children, and future generations." Information: <http://catholicecology.net/blog/all-eyes-rome>.

***Other interests...***

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK – SUNDAY, MAY 3 – FRIDAY, MAY 8:** Each year during Catholic Education Week, we celebrate the unique identity and distinctive contributions of Catholic education in Ontario. Our Catholic faith emphasizes the belief that all persons are created in the image of God and that Christ shows us the fullest expression of God's image alive in each of us. There will be a Catholic Education Week Mass at Notre Dame Cathedral on **Tuesday, May 05 at 7:30 p.m.** to celebrate our Catholic Education. All are welcome!

**THE DIOCESAN WEEK FOR LIFE/ NATIONAL WEEK FOR LIFE & FAMILY** (Sunday, May 10; PRO-LIFE Sunday - Sunday May 17). **NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE** will be held on Thursday, May 14. The theme this year is **LET LIFE WIN.**

**NET CANADA CELEBRATING 20 YEARS BRINGING YOUTH TO CHRIST:** Celebrations begin with a Mass on Thursday, June 04, 5:00 p.m. at Notre Dame Cathedral. Gala at Ottawa Conference & Events Centre: cocktails at 6 p.m., dinner & program with guest speaker His Eminence Cardinal Raymond Burke at 7 p.m. For tickets to the Gala call 1-877-521-4426 or go to [www.netcanada.ca](http://www.netcanada.ca).

**SUMMER INSTITUTE IN THE NEW EVANGELIZATION:** Theological formation, practical ministry training and leadership skill development. SINE is a collaborative effort between Catholic Christian Outreach (CCO), the faculty of Theology at Saint Paul University and Mission of the Redeemer Ministries. August 4-14 at Saint Paul University or remotely through online streaming video. Course work can be used for credit or to obtain a Certificate in "Leadership in the New Evangelization." Info: (<http://ustpaul.ca/en/sine-summer-institute-in-the-new-evangelization>).

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**COLLECTION REPORT**

19 April 2015 – \$3,995.00 (env) / \$622.25 (loose)

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