



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 03 FEBRUARY 2019

“Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing... Truly I tell you, no Prophet is accepted in his hometown.”

(Today's Readings: Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 12:31–13:13, Luke 4:21-30)

Announced Mass intentions

- Sat., Feb. 02 5:00PM Mass – Christian Dumoulin+
- Sun., Feb. 03 **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9 :30AM Mass – Garry Brown+
Katherine Moynihan+
- 11:15AM Mass – Souls in Purgatory
NO MASS
- Mon., Feb. 04
- Tues., Feb. 05 9:30AM Mass
- Wed., Feb. 06 12:15PM Mass
- Thur., Feb. 07 10:00AM Communion Service held at
Windsor Park Manor
12:15PM Mass – Magdalena Yager (lvg)
- Fri., Feb. 08 12:15PM Mass – In Thanksgiving
- Sat., Feb. 09 5:00PM Mass – Deacon John and Sue
Kennedy (lvg)
- Sun., Feb. 10 **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Betty Jones (lvg)
Maurice & Lillian Patry+
Molly Belanger+
11:15AM Mass – Barbara Moore+

Events Calendar ...

- Sat., Feb. 02 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
- Sun., Feb. 03 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
10:30AM Youth Group meeting – Hall
- Tues., Feb. 05 8:00PM A.A. – Hall
- Wed., Feb. 06 7:30PM Choir (9:30) practice – Church
7:30PM K of C Executive meeting
- Thur., Feb. 07 7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Church
- Sat., Feb. 09 9:00AM Parish Ultreya – Church/Hall
9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A
10:00AM **Tour of the Church** for First
Holy Communion
2:00PM Liturgy meeting – Rm. A
- Sun., Feb. 10 9:30AM Children's Liturgy
Knights of Columbus selling Lottery tickets

†Our Condolences and Prayers: For the departed soul of Mary Hendrick+ whose funeral will be on Tuesday, February 05 at 11:00 a.m.

Deacon's Column...

THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHRISTIAN IS THE SUCCESSFUL CHRISTIAN

Are we successful Christians? It is not an easy question to answer! What is the measure of success for a follower of Jesus? Is it enough to simply avoid the big sins and make it to Mass on Sundays? This wasn't the criteria Jesus gave us. He raised the bar higher, because he loves us, and when you love someone you always seek the very best for them. We can never be satisfied with mediocrity. Jesus didn't command us to just go to Church and be nice. He commanded us to love one another as he loved us, and to go out and make disciples of all nations. This is what Jesus did and He was successful at it, but what did this success bring him? Misunderstanding, persecution, rejection, and unpopularity. He went around doing good, tiring himself out healing the sick, casting demons out of the possessed, comforting the troubled, giving himself to others out of love, and what did he get for it? The influential and powerful people of his time - the Pharisees and Sadducees - started calling him a rabble-rouser and spread rumors that he was a drunkard and an agent of the devil. He went around preaching the truth, the truth about sin and salvation. He preached it fearlessly, eloquently, lovingly, with his words and with his example. And what did he get for it? His own townspeople rejected him and tried to throw him off a cliff!

Jesus fulfilled his life mission, but it didn't make him popular. If we are to fulfill our life mission, we need to be ready to suffer similar consequences. We can measure our success as Christians not by how comfortable our faith is making us, but by how uncomfortable it is making us.

God bless,
Deacon John

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## COLLECTION REPORT

27 January 2019 – \$3,696.50 (env) / \$533.80 (loose)

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## Pastor's Message...

### COFFEE HOUSE—AN EVENING JUBILEE CELEBRATION

What a great evening (January 26) the Coffee House was! There was great music, great food, great audience participation, youth in action, and simple but elegant decoration. The next day, Sunday, we had a great Second Reading (1 Cor. 12:4-11), reminding us that we are the body of Christ. We are different parts of the body with various gifts and how each one is important and needed. Sincere thanks to the hard work of different music groups including the talented youth. Thanks to all who provided food for the table of plenty, and our appreciation to one of St. Bernard's parishioner for the warm delicious Mediterranean dessert. If there is a will, even slippery snowy nights can't stop us from singing the song of gratitude!

Mark your calendar for **another Jubilee Concert on Friday, March 01 Friday at 7:00 pm.**

### CONGRATULATIONS DEACON JOHN AND SUE KENNEDY



Holy Cross Parish wishes all the blessing and greetings to Deacon John and Sue Kennedy on the occasion of their **Golden Wedding Anniversary.** Our Parish is blessed and owes you so much for your wonderful service and availability at the service of the Church.

May you both and your family be favored in the eyes of God! Parishioners and well wishers are welcome to join for a special thanksgiving Mass on Saturday, February 09 at 5 pm.

**CAN WE FIND YOU?** Our Parish is making an extensive effort to invite and recognize the founding members of Holy Cross Parish at the conclusion of Jubilee Mass which will be celebrated on Sunday, April 07 at 10:00 a.m. by Archbishop Terrence Prendergast. If you can help the Jubilee Committee in identifying those founding members, place the names and contact phone numbers in the box provided at the entrance of the Church. Thanks you.

God bless,  
Fr. Lukose

## Parish News and Community Life...

### SACRAMENTS – IMPORTANT NOTICES TO PARENTS

**TOUR OF THE CHURCH** will be held on **Saturday, February 09 at 10 a.m. (sharp)** for those children who are registered for the Sacrament of **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.**

**PREPARATION SESSION** will be held on **Tuesday, February 12 at 6:30 p.m. (sharp)** in the Church for the children who are registered for the Sacrament of **CONFIRMATION.** ALSO the **RETREAT / RECONCILIATION / PRACTICE** for Confirmation will be held on **Saturday, February 16 beginning at 10 a.m. (sharp) until 12 noon.**

Parents are asked to arrive 20 minutes early for these sessions to sign in your child.

**CURSILLO/ULTREYA** will take place on **Saturday, February 09 from 9 – 11 a.m.** All are welcome.

**2018 TAX RECEIPTS** are available for pick up at the back of the Church next to the offertory envelopes. We would like to thank all our Parishioners for their generosity throughout 2018.

**CHURCH ENVELOPES 2019:** There are still envelopes for the 2019 year that have not been picked up. If you don't have a box, please complete the slip of paper provided on the table and a box will be assigned to you.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LOTTERY:** The Knights will be selling tickets for their 2019 lottery after all the Masses on the weekend of February 09/10. Grand prize is \$200,000 and there are another 499 prizes including a Mustang convertible worth \$51,000. Proceeds go to the Arthritis Society and the Special Olympics. Tickets are only \$5.



**YOURS TODAY: A HOLY CROSS GOLDEN JUBILEE CONCERT EVENT** by Marc Coderre, Armando Prini, Karen Lahaise, Debra Scarpelli, Louise Rathier, and Eric Edmonds will take place **Friday,**

**March 01 at 7 p.m.** at Holy Cross Parish. Tickets: \$10. Proceeds support the St Joe's Supper Table and Debra Dynes Family House. Invite all your family and friends to this wonderful event!

Direct Your **United Way Contributions** to Holy Cross Parish: Did you know that you are able to direct your United Way contribution to Holy Cross? Simply mark the appropriate section on the reverse of your form to direct your monies to Holy Cross Parish, 685 Walkley Rd., Ottawa, ON K1V 6R8. You not only give to United Way but you help your church as well. Charity Name: Holy Cross Parish/Registration Number: 12896 7353 RR0012

**PEW KNEELERS:** With winter and all the salt that is added to the parking lot and walkways, we ask for your consideration and cooperation on a practical matter. Please be careful to not place your boots on the kneelers. This will keep them clean for the next parishioner, who will be kneeling at the same place. Thank you.

### *Social Justice...*

**DEBRA DYNES FAMILY HOUSE:** At the suggestion of DDFH, a **SANDWICH-MAKING BEE** is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 13 (9:30 - noon)** in our parish hall. It would be a great relief for the staff to have pre-made lunch sandwiches for needy students to carry them through the rest of the winter. DDFH provides all the materials, and we parishioners assemble and bag the sandwiches while having a good time together. If you would like to help, please call Geri Laird at 613-731-4304.

### *Other interests...*

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