



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 19 MAY 2019

“During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said... ‘I give you a new commandment, that you love one another... Just as I have loved, you...’”

(Today’s Readings: Acts 14:21-27; Revelation 21:1-5; John 13:1, 31-33, 34-35)

Announced Mass intentions

Sat., May 18 5:00PM Mass – Beverley Olivestri (lvg)
Ernesto Agito+

Sun., May 19 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
8:00AM Mass – Rigden Family+
9:30AM Mass – John Fernandez+
Anna & Bill Brown+
Adele Costanza-Everett (lvg)
11:15AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
NO MASS
9:30AM Mass – Therese Aubrey (lvg)

Mon., May 20
Tues., May 21
Wed., May 22
Thur., May 23 10:00AM Communion Service held at
Windsor Park Manor
12:15PM Mass – Maria Rodrigues+

Fri., May 24 12:15PM Mass – Raymond Moore+
Art Burke+
Fr. John Machali (lvg)

Sat., May 25 5:00PM Mass – Christian Dumoulin+

Sun., May 26 **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
8:00AM Mass – Holy Cross Parishioners
9:30AM Mass – Catherine Curtis+
Merryl Jayasinghe+
Ken Burgess+
11:15AM Mass – Cameron Crabbe+
Louise Kanga Ayitey+

Events Calendar ...

Sat., May 18 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A

Sun., May 19 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
2:00PM **SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** – Church
Soles4Souls fundraiser after all Masses

Tues., May 21 6:30PM Finance – Rm. A
7:00PM Hospitality – Library
8:00PM A.A. – Hall

Wed., May 22 6:30PM Parish Pastoral Council – Rm. A
7:30PM Choir (9:30) practice – Church

Thurs., May 23 12:45PM Club 55+ - Hall
7:00PM Choir (11:15) practice – Rm. A

Sat., May 25 9:30AM Prayer Group – Rm. A

Sun., May 26 9:30AM Children’s Liturgy
12:30PM Baptisms – Church
Soles4Souls fundraiser after all Masses

COLLECTION REPORT

12 May 2019 – \$3,886.10 (env) / \$802.40 (loose)

~ **Thank you for your generosity and support** ~

Please note: Our Parish is operated only by your donations!

Deacon’s Column...

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops describes the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) as a process in which participants undergo conversion as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the sacraments. The RCIA process follows the ancient practice of the Church and was restored by the Second Vatican Council as the normal way adults prepare for baptism. It is primarily for those people who are seeking full initiation into the Catholic Church through all the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. RCIA is a process of study, exploration, faith-sharing, and faith formation with specific liturgical rites for seekers and inquirers who are introduced to the liturgy, the teachings, and the life of the Catholic Church. RCIA is a process that proceeds over several months and has several steps.

Pre-Catechumenate: This is the earliest phase in the process; it is also known as the Period of Inquiry. Catechumens and Candidates acknowledge that Christ is calling them into the Church through the movement of the Holy Spirit. This is a time for seeking and reflection.

Rite of Initiation: The first Rite in the RCIA process, the Rite of Initiation accepts new members into the worshipping community.

Catechumenate: The longest part of the process, the Catechumenate is a time of learning and formation in the traditions and doctrine of the Catholic Church. This is a time for sharing stories, reading scripture, and studying the Church customs, traditions and doctrine. Participants also participate in worship services and various Church rituals.

Rite of Election: Catechumens and Candidates are chosen to be received by the bishop and the community and to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter.

Sacraments of Initiation: At the Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday), all newly elected members of the community who have been journeying through the RCIA process are welcomed formally into the community of believers through receiving the Sacraments of Initiation—Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

If you know of anyone who would like to seek out the richness of our Roman Catholic faith, I encourage you to speak to them and then help them become a part our next RCIA program which will begin June 10, 2019 and continue to Easter on April 12, 2020 by simply contacting the parish office.

God bless,
Deacon John

Pastor's Message...

A NOTE ON PASTORAL LETTERS

People ask for pastoral references for various purposes. A pastoral letter is an affirmation of your active commitment to the parish on various levels. It obviously means that you are a registered parishioner supporting the parish in its sacramental and communitarian faith journey and the pastor of the parish affirms it.

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**CONGRATULATIONS** to all the children who celebrated



First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 19: **Keana Abuel, Julia Assis Loreto Sampaio, Nyanna Bojarski, Abigail Foncea, Xavier Hogg, Natalia Mateus, Sofia Mateus, Lance Pearson, Elayne Rear, Tyson Rennie, Jaquelyn Mariz Sainz and Alejandro Santos-Currie.**

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

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GOOD NEWS

FM RADIO RECEIVERS ARE AVAILABLE!!



Do you have a problem of hearing the Mass, or the homily, or announcements? Here is a practical solution for you. You can own your own FM Radio Receiver for \$20 which will be tuned with our sound system so you can hear the entire Mass etc. Call the office at 613-731-7834 if you are interested in purchasing one.

Parish News and Community Life...

CLUB 55+: The next meeting of Club 55 will take place in the parish hall this coming Thursday, May 23, following the 12:15 pm Mass. Come and enjoy a 'Smoked Meat' themed lunch (\$6.00 pp).



Explore your artistic side by trying your hand at sophisticated 'colouring' books or bring along your favourite craft to work on. Cards and games will also be played. We hope to see you there!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS – HOLY CROSS' ANNUAL

PARISH BBQ STEAK DINNER will be held on Saturday, June 01 in the parish hall. Tickets: \$20/Adults; children 12 and under eat for Free. Doors open at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 6:45 p.m. We will be serving steak, potatoes, salad and dinner rolls. All Parishioners are welcome. Tickets will be sold after all Masses or contact Bill McCauley at 613-523-2167.

PASTORAL CARE

Our trained Pastoral Care workers are available to visit and bring Holy Communion to our sick or housebound parishioners. Please contact Pat Jackson at 613-421-0091.



NOTICE: Please check the **lost and found box** under the table near the elevator within the next couple of weeks. We have many gloves, hats, scarves etc. For those items that are not picked up by the end of May, we will be donating them to St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you.

Social Justice...

THE RIVERSIDE GRANNIES are so very grateful for the amazing generosity of our parish for your generous support of last weekend's free will offering for the Stephen Lewis Grandmothers-to-Grandmothers program. We received a total of \$1,209.55!! Thank you for the wonderful support once again.

SOLES4SOULS collects and distributes new or gently-used shoes to improve the welfare of the poor around the world. In many countries, shoes are required to attend school, have a job, to travel, and to stay healthy. Let's all step up and support this worthy cause by donating footwear for young and old on the weekend of **May 25/26**. Please drop off your donations in the collection boxes located in the Church entrance and help transform lives.



DEBRA DYNES FAMILY HOUSE: It's already time to start thinking of supporting the Father's Day event for children at DDFH. If you could find some small gift that you could donate (mugs, toiletries, summer accessories, CDs, DVDs, hobby tools, sports items etc.), please deposit it in the DDFH box under the Social Justice table. We would be helping many children who lack the means to show their love and thanks with a special gift for their Dad.

Other interests...

Please see **FRIDAY FACTS** posted on the bulletin board at the entrance of the Church.

Wedding Anniversary Mass 2019: Photos from the Mass on May 05 are available on the Diocesan website.

DEATH OF JEAN VANIER, FOUNDER OF L'ARCHE: It is with great sadness and sorrow that the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) learned of the death of Jean Vanier on 07 May 2019.

DIOCESAN FEAST DAY MASS: The celebration this year at Notre Dame Cathedral will be held on **Thursday, June 06 at 7:30 p.m.** will have a special Youth festive character. On this occasion we wish to affirm the dynamism and engagement of young people active in their faith in the parish. The celebration of our diocesan feast will be a memorable occasion as we give thanks to God for the blessing of our youth and young adults in our parishes, archdiocese and country.

NET Canada Thanksgiving Mass: Celebrate the 2018-19 mission year of NET Missionaries. Mass, followed by a program and brunch in the church hall. Senhor Santo Cristo Parish, 1100 Kenaston St., Gloucester, **June 01, 9am-3pm**, beginning with Mass. Cost: \$20/adult; \$10/child over 12. Purchase tickets before May 15 (<https://netcanada.ca/what-s-new/events/458-thanksgiving-mass-2019>). For information: christianne@netcanada.ca.