

ST. COLUMBAN PARISH

ST. FRANCIS De SALES PARISH



**We are
one in
Christ**



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OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR

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WEEKLY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sundays: 7:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays: 8:00 a.m.
1st Saturday Devotion: Confession 7:00-7:30 a.m.
Rosary 7:35 a.m., Mass 8:00 a.m.

WEEKLY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sundays: 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00 a.m.
1st Friday Devotion: Adoration 7:00 a.m., Mass 8:00 a.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

2nd Sunday of every month

Please contact a priest for an appointment

MARRIAGES

Please contact a priest for an appointment
six months in advance

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
also, by appointment

PARISH WEBSITE

www.stcolumbanparishcornwall.ca

ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE

www.ottawacornwall.ca

SHUT-INS and THOSE ENTERING HOSPITAL

Please talk to a priest or call the office if you have
someone at home who is unwell or is scheduled for
surgery and wishes to receive the Sacrament of the
Sick, or Communion.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

1st Sunday of every month

Please contact a priest for an appointment

MARRIAGES

Please contact a priest for an appointment
six months in advance

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays, 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
also, by appointment

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StFrancisDeSalesCornwall.weebly.com

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ST. COLUMBAN PARISH and ST. FRANCIS De SALES PARISH

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Columban (SC) – St. Francis De Sales (SF)

Saturday, Dec 13th

ST. LUCY (M)

- 4:00 p.m. (SC) Gladys White by Daughter Doris Smith
Patricia Roddy by Brian Lynch & Katie Burke
Marjorie Shields by Carol Papps
- 5:00 p.m. (SF) David Dubreuil by the Dubreuil Family
Therese Denault by Johanne Denault-Cardinal
& Dilavio Family
Lionel Trepanier by Marie Greffe

Sunday, Dec 14th

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 7:30 a.m. (SC) Intentions of Parishioners
- 9:30 a.m. (SF) Intentions of Parishioners
- 10:30 a.m. (SC) Maria Rosa Vincelli by the Vincelli Family
Belle & Archie Adams & Family by Patricia
(Adams) Loughheed
For Those Remembered in Memoriam by St.
Columban's Patron's Foundation
- 11:00 a.m. (SF) Ross Frechette by Jeannette Belanger
Ron Cloutier by "Les Girls"
Audrey MacDonald by Craig Pitts

Monday, Dec 15th

- 8:00 a.m. (SF) Jackie O'Reilly by Peggy & William Greffe

Tuesday, Dec 16th

- 8:00 a.m. (SC) Sharon McPhail by Brian McPhail

Wednesday, Dec 17th

- 8:00 a.m. (SF) Clarence Dubreuil by Kay & Family

Thursday, Dec 18th

- 8:00 a.m. (SC) Gilles Aube by Carol Aube

Friday, Dec 19th

- 8:00 a.m. (SF) Gilles Gagnier by Mom & Dad

Saturday, Dec 20th

- 4:00 p.m. (SC) Donald & Opal Parisien by daughters Joan,
Sharon & Carol
Staff Sgt. Bernard Kelly (RCMP) by Angus Kelly
Shirley, Barry, Val, Gail, Ronnie & Joan by
Patricia (Adams) Loughheed
- 5:00 p.m. (SF) Theodore & Mildred Lussier by Gary &
Marlene McDougald
Joan Levy Earle by Keith & Monique Gray
Donald Lafrance by Paula & Leo Pitre

Sunday, Dec 21st

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 7:30 a.m. (SC) Intentions of Parishioners
- 9:30 a.m. (SF) Charles & Mary Thibodeau & Family by Marie
& Yvon Labossiere
Michael Brand by Francine Bouchard
Charles Dufton by Mike & Yolande Bourget
- 10:30 a.m. (SC) Peter McEvoy (1st Anniversary) by the Family
Carol Papps (85th Birthday by Patricia (Adams)
Loughheed
Jerry Szemborn by Liz & Andre Doyon
- 11:00 a.m. (SF) Intentions of Parishioners

PLEASE NOTE

We need to close the Parish Financials books on December 29th. All money received after December 28th will be credited for 2026. If you wish for your donations to be included in your 2025 Income Tax Receipt, please ensure it is placed in the Sunday Collection of December 28, 2025. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

Parish Offices will be **closed** beginning December 22nd and will reopen on January 5th, 2026.

ST. COLUMBAN COLLECTION REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 30, 2025

Sunday Envelopes	3,086.00
Loose Collection	668.75
Weekly Total	\$ 3,754.75

ST. FRANCIS COLLECTION REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 30, 2025

Sunday Envelopes	4,879.10
Loose Collection	373.75
Weekly Total	\$ 5,252.85

STEWARDS OF OUR TREASURE

We are now in the Season of Giving. We invite Parishioners to consider a special gift to our parish, perhaps a donation in memory of a loved one or simply in gratitude for all the blessings we have received this past year. Thank you for your ongoing generosity. May God bless you, and may Mary protect you. Peace.

THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

For Christians in areas of conflict – Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION (SC)

The living flame of the Sanctuary Lamp, signifying the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord Jesus Christ, is offered this week for An Outpouring of the Flame of Love.



CATHOLIC CALENDARS 2026

Personalized Catholic Calendars for 2026 are on sale for \$10 each at St. Columban's 4th St. entrance and St. Francis' main entrance. Pay at the Book Table box near the Confessional (St. Columban) or in baskets at St. Francis. Supplies are limited.

TODAY'S READINGS – DECEMBER 14TH, 2025

1st Reading:	Isaiah 35.1-6a, 10
Responsorial Psalm:	Ps 146.6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10 (R. see Isa 35.4)
	R. <i>Lord, come and save us.</i>
2nd Reading:	James 5.7-10
Gospel:	Matthew 11.2-11

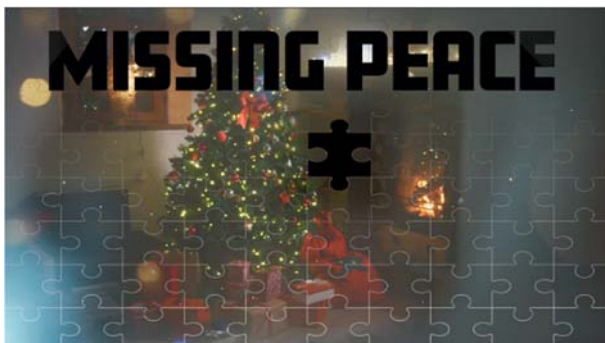
FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"Missing Piece" Series

Week Three: Inner Peace.

In the Gospel, John the Baptist sends his disciples to Jesus to ask if he is truly the Messiah. John had spent his life preparing the way for Jesus, but now that he is in prison, he is agitated and lacks peace. He wonders if his work had been in vain. Jesus points to all the signs that he is the Messiah by the work he is doing. When we lack peace in our hearts, we can turn to Jesus and see the good works he does and invite him to do the same for us.

- Know? Advent is a season of hope, and at its heart is the promise of peace. God desires not only peace in the world but peace within our own hearts. Yet peace often feels elusive, whether because of sin, worry, or circumstances beyond our control. The life of John the Baptist reminds us that even great men of faith can feel unsettled, yet the path forward is to turn our worries to God. Real peace is not found in the absence of trouble but in the presence of God.
- Feel? This message invites us to feel both understood and encouraged. We are not alone in our anxieties, doubts, or struggles. Just as John wrestled with worry in prison, we too can bring our unsettled hearts to the Lord. We are invited to feel the hope and reassurance that God is present with us and that His peace surpasses anything the world can offer.
- Next steps? We are called to actively seek peace by growing in faith through conversation with God. When circumstances disturb us, we can follow St. Paul's teaching: bring everything to God in prayer with thanksgiving. Beginning with gratitude, even before we see answers, shows our trust in Him. This Advent, we are encouraged to set aside worry, turn consistently to prayer, and allow God's peace to guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.



FLAME OF LOVE CENACLE / GROUP (SC)

Every Saturday, 1:30-2:30 pm., here in St. Columban Church. For those wanting a complete blessing, it is followed by Confession and Mass. ***TO BLIND SATAN IN THE WORLD, AND OUR FAMILY.***

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Vigil, Wednesday, December 24th

St. Columban 5:00 p.m. & 10:00 p.m.

St. Francis 5:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Day, Thursday, December 25th

St. Columban 10:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

New Year's Eve Vigil, Wednesday, December 31st

St. Columban 4:00 p.m.

New Year's Day, Thursday, January 1st

St. Francis 10:30 a.m.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES

December 16: 7 pm, at St. Peter's Parish

December 17: 1 pm, at Blessed Sacrament Parish

December 18, 7 pm, at St. Finnan's Parish

Note: We still have Confessions on Saturday afternoons and by appointment.

2026 PARISH ENVELOPE NUMBERS HAVE CHANGED

Envelopes are now available. Please ensure the number on the label matches the number in the box. Beginning January 1st, discard all 2025 envelopes and write your name on the 2026 envelopes for the entire month of January, as envelope numbers have changed.

SACRAMENTS OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

If you know anyone who is looking for Sacraments of Christian Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist, please call the parish office.

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

Here are the links to the forms for parents/guardians who wish to register for First Confession:

St. Columban > <https://forms.gle/SZuWhKR8bh6Nz7JA6>

St. Francis > <https://forms.gle/Q8ZDDgkdvRvELBTH7>

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE THANK YOU

The **Catholic Women's League** would like to thank everyone for their support of our annual Christmas Tea & Bake Sale. The winners of the baskets were Ronald Proulx, Eleanor Froats, Desneiges Miseferi, Judy Lauzon, and Brian Lynch. Thanks to the Catholic Women's League members, who donated so generously to fill the baskets. Thanks to everyone who attended, donated their time, gifts, and baked goods. We appreciate you.

THANK YOU FROM THE PATRONS OF ST. COLUMBAN FOUNDATION (SC)

The Patrons of St. Columban Foundation wish to thank everyone who contributed to the Foundation's Remembering our Loved Ones at Christmas booklet during November and December. The Remembrances Booklet raised \$12,430 for the capital repairs to our historic St. Columban's Church.

UPDATE TO PARISH OFFICE HOURS

As part of our ongoing effort to align our parish ministries with the diocesan vision: Go Out, Go Deep, and Go Together, we are making a small adjustment to our office schedule. Beginning **December 1**, the parish office will be open **Monday to Thursday, with the same hours applying**. The office will be **closed on Fridays**, allowing our Parish Administrator to work from home on those days.

This change will help us focus more intentionally on ministry, outreach, and the needs of our parish community, while maintaining strong administrative support. Thank you for your understanding and for your continued support as we work together to build the parish for the next generation.

ROAST BEEF DINNER AND PARISH BREAKFAST (SF)

We want to inform our valued patrons that there will be no Roast Beef Dinner or Parish Breakfast events in December. We look forward to welcoming you to our upcoming events in the new year! Thank you for your continued support.

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The St. Francis CWL would like to thank all parishioners who donated Jello to the Children's Christmas Fund. 320 boxes were collected.

HAT & MITTEN DRIVE (SF)

The St. Francis CWL, in partnership with St. Joseph's Secondary School, will be holding a hat and mitten! gloves drive starting October 19, 2025. Both children's and adult sizes will be required for this project. New or gently used items can be deposited in the basket at the back of the Church. At the end of the drive, the items will be distributed to those in need through various aid services in the city. Please be generous so that we can achieve our goal of distributing at least 500 sets of hats and mitts/gloves. Thank you.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS SALE (SF)

The Knights of Columbus Msgr. Kevin J. Maloney, Council 11531 of the St. Francis de Sales Parish, will be selling "Keep Christ in Christmas" lawn signs and car magnets. The cost for the lawn sign is \$20.00, and the car magnet costs \$10.00. These will be sold at the upcoming Knights' events. For those interested, please contact the Parish office.

AN EVENING OF PRAISE & WORSHIP (SF)

Thursday, January 22nd, February 26th, March 19th, and April 30th. 7 pm to 8 pm at St. Francis de Sales Church, 434 Second St. W. Doors open at 6:30 pm.

CATHOLIC INFORMATION CENTER - FOR ADVENT/CHRISTMAS

Catholic calendars, Advent wreaths, candles, Nativity Sets, Christmas gifts, cards, books, and Sunday missals are available. You can find us at 812 Pitt Street, Unit 1. For more information, please call 613-933-5099

TIME with JESUS!

St. Julien's Chapel offers a prayerful, peaceful time with our Lord Jesus. Open 24 hours a day, visitors must register and obtain an entry fob. To register and receive a fob, please contact St.Julienschapel@hotmail.com or leave a phone message at **613-938-8371**. Someone will be in touch within a few days.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IS AN INVALUABLE CONVERSATION WITH CHRIST, WHERE WE LEARN MORE DEEPLY OF THE MYSTERIES OF HIS DIVINE AND HUMAN LIFE. (ST PAUL II)

ANGELS OF HOPE

Dear Parishioners: Please return your gifts to the church by Sunday, December 14th. For further information, you may call the Centre at 613-933-4400. On behalf of the children served at the Children's Treatment Centre, we thank you for your kindness and your spirit of sharing.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (SC)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at St. Columban's Church on Saturdays, 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and by appointment.

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The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at St. Francis de Sales Church on Saturdays from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and by appointment.

PLEASE NOTE - OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

If you are registered at another parish and submit envelopes in the collection basket here, please note that your envelope will be returned to the parish of your registration.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES CWL

Dear Parishioners, we will be organizing a "BAKELESS" bake sale again this year to raise funds for charities and our community. Soon, a flyer and a donation envelope will be inserted into the bulletin, explaining the concept. Your donations will make a difference in the lives of many people. We thank you and appreciate your generosity.

WOMEN'S MORNING OF REFLECTION

Please join us Saturday, January 3rd, from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm at the Agora Centre, located on McConnell Avenue in Cornwall, for Mass, confession, breakfast, a talk, and the rosary. Our speaker is Br. Daniel Krol, a Legionary seminarian and the son of Heidi. His talk is entitled "Mary Hope of Mankind." A free will offering of \$5 is appreciated. For any inquiries, please contact Heidi Krol at 613-362-5292 or Marilynn Light at 613-537-2021.

CHRISTMAS MOVIE – DAVID – PORT THEATRE

Special Preview Screening of DAVID from Dec. 14th to 18th at 1:30 pm. Official release from Dec. 19th to Jan 4th at 1:30 pm. No shows Dec. 20th & 25th. Adults: \$7.50 Kids: \$5.00. Port Theatre, 132 Montreal Road.