



PENTECOST SUNDAY

*"As the Father has sent me, so I send you.
Receive the Holy Spirit"*

Today's reading: Acts 2.1-11; 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13; John 20.19-23

Next week reading: Deuteronomy 4.32-34, 30-49; Romans 8.14-17; Matthew 28.16-20

This Week

- Saturday, May 19** **PENTECOST**
5:00 p.m. Mass
- Sunday, May 20** **PENTECOST**
9:00 a.m. Mass for George Janigan † req. by Lucille & Family
11:00 a.m. Mass for special intention (blessings for friends) req. by Madeleine Nadeau
Mass for Lynne Bangs † req. by her family
7:30 p.m. Pentecost evening prayer
- Monday, May 21**
9:00 a.m. NO MASS
8:00 p.m. AA-Westboro
- Tuesday, May 22**
9:00 a.m. Mass
1:00 p.m. Liturgy meeting
6:00 p.m. OCSB Children Choir
- Wednesday, May 23**
9:00 a.m. Mass for Helen Hughes † req. by the Family
1:00 p.m. Retirees
7:00 p.m. St. Basil's Choir
- Thursday, May 24**
9:00 a.m. Mass
- Friday, May 25**
9:00 a.m. Mass
8:00 p.m. A.A. By the Book
- Saturday, May 26** **THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**
5:00 p.m. Mass
- Sunday, May 27** **THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**
9:00 a.m. Mass
10:00 a.m. Reception for 1st Comm. and Confirmation children
11:00 a.m. Mass

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on **Monday 21st May** for the Victoria Day long weekend.



From the desk of Fr. James

"Pentecost"

The word "Pentecost" means "the fiftieth". It was the second of the three most important annual feasts in the Jewish calendar. It occurred seven weeks after Passover and was primarily a feast of thanksgiving for the harvest: the first fruits of the wheat crop were offered to God on that day. Later on, giving of the law to Moses on Mount Sinai was also commemorated on this feast day. In the New Testament, this "fiftieth day" celebration obtained a new meaning as it marked the birthday of the Church. Pentecost puts an end to fear and urges us to be courageous after the manner of the apostles. The Lord offers us his Holy Spirit that we too may fearlessly proclaim his Kingdom. The Feast of Pentecost invites us to come out of our private cells of fear, pride, jealousy and comforts in which we have locked ourselves up and be filled with the Spirit of the Lord that we become a new creation.

God Bless,
Fr. James Raphael



PENTECOST EVENING PRAYER – MAY 20TH

Sister Jean Goulet will preside and be the homilist at the Pentecost Evening Prayer on Sunday May 20th at 7:30 pm. Please plan to attend and bring along a friend.

Parish News

IT IS FR. JAMES' SILVER JUBILEE YEAR



Fr. James, our Parish Priest is celebrating the Silver Jubilee of his Priestly Ordination this year (1993-2018). Our Parish would like to celebrate this important milestone of his life with a Jubilee Mass on Sunday, **June 10th at 10:00 a.m.** followed by a reception in

his honour in the Church Hall. In order to enable better participation of Parishioners, we will have only one Mass (the Jubilee Mass) Celebrated on that Sunday. Please mark your calendars! For further information contact: Ellis-Lynn at 613 – 761-9542

COME AND CELEBRATE!



Come and join us at a party held in honour of the infants, children and youth who have undergone the sacraments of initiation this year. The celebration will be held between the 9 and 11 am masses, **May 27, 2018**. All are welcome!

ANNUAL CWL COLLECTION FOR ST. JOE'S WOMEN CENTRE

During the month of May, St. Basil's CWL is asking you to donate to St. Joe's Women Centre. There is always a need for toiletries e.g. shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, hygiene products, etc. and for bus tickets and gift certificates e.g. grocery store, Giant Tiger, long distance calling cards. Each year, we bring several green bags full of these very necessary items and everything is used almost immediately. Please help our sisters in need again. If you leave your donations in the special basket in the Narthex, we will deliver them. Thank you for your generosity.

"Whatsoever you do..."

Something in the universe is greater and deeper than human intelligence.

(Lawrence Anthony - South Africa – 1950-2012)



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPECIAL OLYMPICS RAFFLE

St. Basil's Knights of Columbus will be selling raffle tickets in aid of the Special Olympics after all Masses **May 26th and 27th**. Please support this worthwhile initiative.

PYX SIGN OUT SHEET

Parishioners wishing to borrow pyxes to bring Holy Communion to the sick will now be required to enter their names and sign out/return dates on the Pyx Sign Out Sheet. This sheet is affixed to the inside of the cabinet door (left side) where the pyxes are stored in the Sacristy. Any Eucharistic Minister would be able to direct parishioners to that location.

COMMUNICATIONS TEAM

We are gathering your email addresses to our list and will be sending out a Newsletter on a regular basis to keep you updated on events happening in our parish. Please send any ideas and/or pictures to stbasilcomms@gmail.com. Please ensure you have

permission to use the pictures. This email list will also enable the parish to reach our community in case of emergencies or changes in scheduling. Copies of the Newsletter will also be available at the exit to the Church.

Congratulations to long-time St. Basil Parishioner **Anne Jardin-Alexander** who was awarded a Director of Education commendation at the recent Ottawa Catholic School Board's Education Week Mass. Anne teaches at Frank Ryan School.

MHI TULIPATHON

We need your support: **The annual Walkathon sponsored by Multifaith Housing Initiative** will take place on **Sunday, May 27th, 2:30**, at Commissioners Park, across from Dow's Lake. Some of St. Basil Parishioners will be walking and we look for your participation and your support. After having completed building the Haven of 98 units in Barrhaven, MHI is now planning to construct Veterans House for veterans in need. After the Masses on the weekend of May 27th we will receive donations and are grateful for every donation. If you prefer, you may also donate online through the MHI website – *Multifaith Housing Initiative -Tulipathon!* "With your generous support, hundreds of less fortunate people will gain access to safe, affordable housing and hope for a better future." (MHI website)

From the Diocese and Community

"NORTH OF 60" PROJECT

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Ottawa has committed to restocking the food bank's shelves in Rankin Inlet, Nunavut. The costs of food and other basic needs are very high in the north. In a country as rich as ours, we still have great needs. Info or to participate on this important project: contact Claire, 2018 coordinator (613-745-2873).

CELEBRATION IN HONOUR OF 1ST MEMORIAL OF MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

An invitation from The Queenship of Mary Community on **May 21, 10:00 a.m.** at 351 Lake George Rd., Plantagenet. Outdoor Mass celebrated by Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC, followed by lunch, festivities and a May crowning. Please RSVP: 613-601-5278 or thequeenshipofmary@gmail.com.

PRO-LIFE MASS

Monthly pilgrimage of Masses to pray for the establishment of a Pro-Life Centre in Ottawa. St. Peter Parish, 1640 Heatherington Rd., **Sat., May 26, 10 am**. Info: wandawoj@rogers.com; 613-831-2515.

FREE TRAINING ON TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE

Registration is now live for free one-day training on **May 29**. This is hosted in partnership with the Victimology program at Algonquin College, the Ottawa Police Victim Crisis Unit, CHEO, and Catholic Family Services. Shawarma lunch included. Info: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/transforming-the-culture-together-trauma-informed-care-tickets-45480252660>.



USE RECYCLE RETHINK

**IN YOUR GENEROSITY, PLEASE CONSIDER A DONATION OR
BEQUEST TO ST. BASIL PARISH**