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The Pastor's Notes

St. John Chrysostom Parish (est. 1867)

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✠ Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠

October 15, 2017

TODAY !

Be sure to come and join us !

11:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.



A Adults \$14; Children under 12 \$6; and Children under 6 Free

A Take Out Meals: Order by calling the Parish Hall at 613-623-2519.

There is also free delivery!

A Raffle Tickets: Will be available for sale. Please bring all sold and unsold tickets to the hall today. The draws will take place at 6 p.m.

A Craft Table: Homemade items. Come check them out!

Come visit with old friends, make new friends, have fun and enjoy a delicious roast beef dinner. Thank you to the army of volunteers that have helped over the past months to sell tickets and organize to ensure that everything is in place to host another successful Harvest Festival. See you there!

* In your prayers, please remember: parishioners who are sick; Christians in the Middle East; the legal protection of the unborn; and those who have died, especially: *Anne-Marie Blier*, mother of Barry Blier; *Shirley Jerome*, sister-in-law of Helen Havelin; *Bob Quinn*, brother-in-law of Helen Havelin; and *Kevin Farrell*, brother of Karen Smith.

* The Parish Pastoral Council met this past week. Among the items discussed: new pastoral year and catechetics, seminarian pastoral year, youth programming, children's liturgy of the Word, reports from the CWL and KofC, revised Mass times, hospitality, respect for life (unborn, elderly), parish harvest festival.

* Book Study after the 7:30 p.m. Mass on Wednesday evenings ~ November 15, 22, 29. Mtg. Rm.#1 We will be reading *Christian Meditation* by Cardinal Hans Urs Von Balthasar. 97pages.

* Did you know that 60% of the Knights of Columbus Bingo profits are donated to the parish? They are always in need of more workers and bingo callers, both men and women. You don't have to be a member and your help would be most appreciated! Call the parish office to enlist!



* The Catholic Women's League Annual Apple Pie Fundraiser will be held in the Parish Hall on the weekend of November 3/4/5. They are presently taking orders for apple pies. The cost is \$10 each. You may place your order by calling one of the following ladies:

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| Kristine Dewar | 227-2491 | Doreen Nicholas | 623-4162 |
| Lise Rebertz | 623-2598 | Kathy Ste. Marie | 623-4317 |
| Corrine Thomson | 623-6147 | Helen McGregor | 623-5476 |

They will also be taking orders after Mass next weekend. They invite you to volunteer to help out in any capacity by calling Helen. Thank you for your ongoing support.

* At the end of this month is a concert sponsored by the Knights of Columbus featuring:

Eddie Coffey & The Grey Foggy Dew'o



All original Newfoundland Songs - Country Irish Celtic - Jig's & Reels. Saturday, October 28th @ 7:30 p.m. @ St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall Tickets: \$20 in advance/\$25 at the door. Tickets available at the parish office.

Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

October 16 - 21

- Tuesday** St. Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr
8:00 a.m. +Versal & Mary Bond *by Their Families*
- Wednesday** St. Luke, evangelist
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction*
6:45 p.m. *Confessions*
7:30 p.m. +James Carroll & Sharon Gadt *by Bryan Carroll*
- Thursday** 8:00 a.m. +Donald Retty *by Jason & Tina Dedo & Family*
- Friday** 8:30 a.m. +Helene McGlade *by Ruth Litowski*

✠ Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time ✠

October 22

- Saturday** 4:00 p.m. *Confessions*
(vigil) 4:30 p.m. +Harriet Nicholas *by Corrine & Bob Thomson & Family*
+Ed Cinkant *by Kristie Stewart*
- Sunday** 9:00 a.m. *Confessions*
9:30 a.m. Intentions of the People (*Missa pro populo*)

Liturgical Appointments

| Next Sunday | 4:30 P.M. | 9:30 A.M. |
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| Commentator | Regina Rolph | Arlene Holmes |
| Reader | Gerry Whalen | Bill Ingram |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Wayne Pickering, Clare Kavanagh | Christine Tammadge, Joan Hanniman |
| Greeter/Ushers | Linda Chandler, Henry Egan, Darryl & Girlane Lacroix | Patty & Jenna Lesway Jackie Crout, +1 |
| Servers | Please always check in 15 minutes before Mass begins. Everyone is expected to be on the sanctuary. | |
| Offertory | | The Lesway Family |
| Hospitality: Second Sunday when scheduled | | Children's Liturgy: Roxanne Barr |

Meetings and Gatherings This Week

- Monday** *Al-Anon Meeting (613-860-3431)* - 7:30 p.m. in church meeting room #1
Christian Meditation - 2:00 p.m. in meeting room #2
- Tuesday** *Christian Meditation* - 7:00 p.m. at the home of Mary Sue McCarthy (613-622-7783)
- Wednesday** *A.A. Meeting* - 8:00 p.m. in church choir room
- Thursday** *Scripture Study* - 1:00 p.m. meeting room #1
- Saturday** *Franciscan Meeting* - 10:00 a.m. in meeting room #2
A.A. Meeting - 8:00 p.m. in church choir room

Stewardship:

Thank you for your financial commitment, generosity and sacrificial giving.

Church Bell Tower Campaign: Whether you pledged formally or informally to help pay down our debt, please take the time to review your participation to date in this campaign. Please consider your donations with a view of helping to raise \$100,000/year. May the Lord bless you for your generosity which has already helped us to raise \$82,276.00 towards this year's goal. Please note that there will be an updated total that includes the recent Annual Harvest Festival Direct Appeal after the Harvest Festival.



Our parish website now also has a Donate tab that facilitates donations using paypal or credit card. We have already been receiving numerous donations to the Memorial Fund and the Bell Tower Campaign from family and friends who were once members of our parish. Together, we can do it!



Catholic Women's League

Nancy Black, *Madame President*

- Next meeting will be November 7th @ 7:00 p.m.
- The Apple Pie Fundraiser will be on November 3rd, 4th and 5th. If you are available to assist in this endeavor please contact Helen McGregor at 623-5476.



Knights of Columbus

Blaine Mullins, *Grand Knight*

Council 2082
285 Albert St.
Arnprior, ON
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www.kofc2082.org

Executive Meeting - Monday, October 30

Business Meeting - Monday, November 6th

K of C Bingo -- Every Thursday at 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall. (*dabber format-jackpot \$1,000 progressive with 100 in attendance*) Doors open at 6:15 p.m. sharp. All over 18 welcome. Team: Dave Sherk

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Pastoral Visits To The Hospital: Because of the Privacy Act, to be sure you receive a visit from Fr. Burchat and the Pastoral Care Team, *please notify the parish office. We do not know if you or a loved one is at the hospital unless we are informed.*

Pastoral Care of the Sick & Homebound: Please notify the parish office for a pastoral visit and monthly reception of Holy Communion on First Fridays when you are no longer able to attend Sunday Mass.

The Sacrament of the Sick: This sacrament is normally administered when someone is in danger of death, undergoing a major operation or suffering from any serious illness.

Pastoral Care of the Dying: The Church desires that her faithful know spiritual strengthening and healing from sin through the Sacraments when they are dying. Be sure to ask your family to honour your desires when it is time to call a priest in order to prepare for a Christian death.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Confessions are heard on Wednesdays at 6:45 p.m., Saturdays at 4:00 p.m., Sundays at 9:00 a.m. in the Sacrament of Reconciliation Room at the church entrance, and anytime by request or appointment.

Are You Interested in Becoming a Catholic? *Do you want to be baptized a Christian in the Catholic Church? Are you a baptized Christian but not Catholic and desire to begin receiving Holy Communion in the Catholic Church?* If you know of anyone who has been hesitant, encourage and accompany them in coming to speak to any member of the pastoral staff at any time. The process of Christian initiation can take place in many ways, “privately” or publicly.

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Sacrament of Baptism: To arrange for the Baptism of your child please first meet with Fr. Burchat after any Sunday Mass. Catechetical instruction normally takes place the Sunday before baptisms. The next dates for baptisms are October 22nd and November 19th.

The Sacrament of Marriage: Christian Marriage requires preparation and those scheduling their marriage are asked to personally speak to Fr. Burchat after any Sunday Mass and generally at least six months before a proposed celebration. Catholics living in “irregular” situations should consult with a priest so as to discern how they can begin to return to full communion in the Church.

Catholic Funerals: Funeral Liturgies for the faithful departed should be celebrated in a Catholic Church. However, as you consider funeral costs and family needs know that there are various ways that the rituals of the Church can be adapted in consultation with your Pastor. Funeral arrangements are made concurrently by the Funeral Home and the parish priest with the direct involvement of the family. *The Catholic Funeral is always a celebration of life, remembering that our loved ones are created in the image and likeness of God and redeemed by the life, passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

The Supper of the Lamb

Homily by Pope Benedict XVI; October 9, 2011

This Sunday’s liturgy presents a parable to us that speaks of a wedding banquet to which many were invited. The First Reading, from the Book of Isaiah, prepares the ground for this theme, for it speaks about the banquet of God. It is an image — the banquet — often used in the Scriptures to indicate the joy in communion and in the abundance of the Lord’s gifts, and it gives some idea of the celebration of God with humanity as Isaiah describes: “*On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of fat things, a feast of wine on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wine... well refined*” (Is 25:6). The Prophet adds that God’s intention is to put an end to sadness and shame; he wants all people to live happily in love of him and in mutual communion. Therefore his plan is to eliminate death forever, to wipe away the tears from all faces, to take away once and for all the dishonourable condition of his people, as we heard (vv. 7-8). All this awakens deep gratitude and hope. (v. 9).

In the Gospel Jesus speaks to us of the answer that is given to the invitation of God — represented by a king — to take part in this marriage feast (see Mt 22:1-14). Many guests were invited but something unexpected happens: they refuse to take part in the celebration, they have other things to do; indeed, some of them show contempt for the invitation. God is generous to us, he offers us his friendship, his gifts, his joy, but often we do not welcome his words, we show greater interest in other things and put our own material concerns, our own interests, first. The king’s invitation even meets with hostile and aggressive reactions. Yet this does not impede his generosity. He is not discouraged and sends his servants out to invite many other people. The refusal of those invited first causes the invitation to be extended to everyone, even the poorest, the abandoned and disinherited. The servants gather together those they find and the wedding hall is filled: the king’s goodness knows no bounds and all are given the possibility of answering his call. However, there was one condition in order to attend this wedding feast: that the wedding garment be worn. And, on entering the hall, the king notices that someone has not wished to wear it and for this reason bars him from the banquet.

I would like to reflect for a moment on this point with a question: why did this man accept the king’s invitation, enter the banquet hall, find the door opened to him but not put on the wedding garment? What is this wedding garment? St. Gregory the Great explains that the guest had accepted God’s invitation to take part in his banquet, that in a certain way he had faith which opened the door of the banquet hall to him, but he lacked something essential: the wedding garment, which is charity or love. And St Gregory adds: “*Therefore each one of you in the Church who has faith in God has already taken part in the wedding feast, but cannot claim to wear the wedding garment unless he jealously guards the grace of love*” (Homily 38, 9; PL 76, 1287). And this garment is woven symbolically on two looms of wood, one above and one below: love of God and love of neighbour (see *ibid.*, 10: PL 76, 1288). We are all invited to be the Lord’s guests, to enter his banquet with faith, but we must put on and take care of the wedding garment: charity, to live in the profound love of God and neighbour.

St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe Fraternity: The next meeting will be held on Saturday, October 21st, in meeting room #2. The meeting will begin with recitation of the Holy Rosary at 9:30 a.m., followed by the meeting which commences at 10:00 a.m. following the "Ritual of the Secular Franciscan Order." Enquirers are welcome to attend.



EDGE Youth Ministry @ St. Chrysostom: If you are in grade 5, 6, 7 or 8 and you have questions about God, life and faith, and are looking to have some fun (activities and sports) with other youth on a Saturday night, then come out to our bi-monthly youth nights (2nd & 4th Saturdays) at St. John Chrysostom Parish. Mass and then food, faith and fun until 7:30 p.m. The first Edge Youth Night is October 14th beginning with Mass at 4:30 p.m.

Alpha Youth Series: *Everyone has questions. We believe that everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view; wherever they are in the world. The Alpha Youth Series is a brand new interactive series exploring life, faith and meaning. Reimagined for today's youth culture, each episode looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation.* High school age youth are invited to bi-monthly youth nights (2nd & 4th Saturdays) at St. John Chrysostom Parish beginning with dinner at 5:30 p.m. and lasting until about 7:00 p.m. The first Alpha Youth evening is this evening October 14th beginning with Mass at 4:30 p.m.



Divine Mercy Conference: with guest speaker, Sr. Briege McKenna at Holy Cross Parish, 685 Walkley Rd., Ottawa, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on November 18, 2017. Cost is \$45/person (includes lunch). Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Prendergast. Online registration: www.jp2centre.com. Contact Keith and Peggy Doucette at jp2centreottawa@gmail.com or 613-325-5447.

St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall Rentals: We have the largest and brightest hall in Arnprior at 285 Albert Street, the only hall with a full stage area and seating for up to 400, air conditioning, a large kitchen, a fully licensed bar and ample parking. It is available for wedding receptions, anniversaries, stag & does, wedding showers, birthdays, fundraisers, conventions, training sessions, etc. Local Event Planners who are familiar with the hall can courteously provide initial consultation and are available for full planning. For bookings call 613-623-2282. Only \$400



Anda's Corner for Catechetics, Liturgy and Faith Journey

Reconciliation/First Communion:

October 29th, 9:30 a.m. - near the end of Mass, Father John will call the children forward to be dismissed for their 2nd class for Reconciliation. The class will end at 12:00 p.m.



Confirmation:

November 5th, 9:30 a.m. - near the end of the Mass, Father John will call the youth forward to be dismissed for their 2nd class for Confirmation. The class will end at 12:00 p.m.

Formation Day for Parish Catechists: Saturday, November 4, 2017 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Most Holy Name of Mary Parish, 284 Trafalgar Rd., Pembroke. Guest speakers will be Bishop Mulhall and Fr. Ryan Holly. Lunch and Refreshments will be provided – please inform the office if you have any food allergies. There is no registration fee but registration is necessary. The formation day is open to all catechists, those interested in the ministry, pastors, deacons and pastoral assistants. To register, please contact Deacon Adrien Chaput at 613-732-7933 ext. 206 or dcadrienchaput@pembrokediocese.com by November 1, 2017.

If you would like to sing in the ladies Christmas Eve choir we will be having a meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the church Wednesday October 18th. If this date does not suit we could meet some evening. Call Anda at 623-2282

A Little Night of Music to Support Galilee Centre: On October 2nd at 8:00 p.m., Arnprior's Galilee Centre, the Oblate property and retreat centre in Arnprior, is holding a special musical event at Neat Coffee Shop, and is looking for your support. Two multi-talented musicians from Toronto will be performing some blues, jazz, swing and much more, at this musical venue "gem"; tickets, \$25 per person, are available at Galilee Centre and the Arnprior Book Shop, and all proceeds go to Galilee Centre. If you want to make a bigger night of it, as you listen to the tinkling ivories and dulcet vocal tones, purchase some of the delicious food and beverages that Neat Coffee Shop provides. Galilee Centre has hosted an assortment of diocesan retreats in the past few years. Buy tickets for a lovely night of music, and support Galilee Centre in their work for the Diocese and Arnprior in general!

National Pro-Life Conference: – November 3-4, 2017 –Early bird deadline is October 2. Youth Workshop for Senior High and up is on Friday, November 3. For information: www.truenorth2017.eventbrite.com; info@actionlife.org; 613-798-4494.