



## PENTECOST SUNDAY – 08 JUNE 2025

***“Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.  
When he had said this, he breathed on them and said...  
‘Receive the Holy Spirit...’”***



### *Announced Mass intentions*

Sat., June 07	5:00PM Mass: Intentions of George Acres Intentions of Christina Chung +Leanne Nicholson
Sun., June 08	<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b> 8:00AM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: Intention of the Hadad Family + Fessah Fre & +Zafu Kuflu
Wed., June 11	12:15PM Mass: +Hilda Van Buggenhout
Thurs., June 12	12:15PM Mass: +Denise Daguilh
Fri., June 13	11:00AM <b>ADORATION</b> until 12 noon 12:15PM Mass: +Charles & +Thersa Rechnitzer +Charles & +Maria Rechnitzer
Sat., June 14	5:00PM Mass: +Murielle Vaillant +Marc Gardner
Sun., June 15	<b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b> 8:00AM Mass: Intentions of Holy Cross Parishioners 10:00AM Mass: +Garry Brown +Vivian Braganza

### *Events Calendar ...*

Sat., June 07	10:00AM <b>PREPARATION SESSION #4</b> for <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Hall 4:40PM Rosary – Church
Sun., June 08	10:00AM Children's Liturgy
Wed., June 11	6:30PM Choir Practice – Church
Thurs., June 12	6:30PM Parish Pastoral Council meeting
Sat., June 14	4:40PM Rosary – Church 6:00PM Steak & Award BBQ – Hall
Sun., June 15	10:00AM Children's Liturgy <b>FOOD DRIVE</b> at all Masses

**ATTENDANCE AT THE MASSES WEEKEND OF MAY  
31/JUNE 01:** 5 pm – 130 / 8 am - 96 / 10 am – 337  
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### **THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE**

*“That the world might grow in compassion: Let us pray that  
each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship  
with Jesus, and from his Heart, learn to have compassion on  
the world.”*

### *Words from the Pastor . . .*

*“And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong  
driving wind, and it filled the entire house where they were.”*  
Pentecost reminds us we never can be sure how, or in whom,  
the Spirit will work. The feast cautions us to keep ears and  
eyes open lest we miss what new life the Spirit is breathing  
into us. What blocks do I put up to resist the change the Spirit  
might want to bring about in my life? Have I ever been  
surprised by the Spirit?

**PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS TODAY...to be a  
reconciling presence in the world.**

### **BACKGROUND ON THE ST. MICHAEL PRAYER**

Regarding the St. Michael prayer specifically, this prayer has  
an interesting history. It is said that Pope Leo XIII had a  
terrible vision where he saw Satan telling God he only needed  
a hundred years to destroy the church. Some versions of the  
story say that, in a scenario reminiscent of the Book of Job in  
the Old Testament, God permitted Satan to act, and the  
consequence was the horrors of the 20th century.  
After he had this vision, Pope Leo XIII composed the St.  
Michael prayer for the sake of the church's spiritual protection.  
In 1886, he required that this prayer be said after every “low  
Mass” in the older ritual. Though the St. Michael prayer is no  
longer mandated in our post-Vatican II Mass, it can still be a  
beautiful and spiritually beneficial custom to pray it after the  
final blessing as a community.

**POPE'S POWERFUL CHALLENGE TO MARRIED  
COUPLES:** Today's world needs the marriage covenant in  
order to know and accept God's love and to defeat the forces  
that break down relationships and societies.

**POPE LEO HAS ORDAINED** eleven new priests for the  
Diocese of Rome. **IN SEPTEMBER OUR ARCHDIOCESE**  
will have 6 seminarians studying at St Augustine's Seminary,  
Toronto. Please remember them in your prayers.

**THE PARABLE OF THE VINEDRESSERS EXPLAINED BY  
POPE LEO XIV – ZENIT:** <https://zenit.org/2025/06/04/the-parable-of-the-vinedressers-explained-by-pope-leo-xiv/>

The **CLOISTERED CARMELITE SISTERS IN ALMONTE** will  
be grateful to receive fruits, vegetables and toiletries. Please  
leave them at the Church entrance. Thank you!

**SEMINARIAN CHARLES BARBEAU** from St. Augustine's  
Seminary in Toronto, will be speaking about his call to the  
Priesthood at all the Masses on the weekend of July 05/06.

**THANKS** for all the prayers for my recent successful cataract  
surgery.

Our **JUBILEE HOLY YEAR PILGRIMAGE GROUP** to Quebec Shrines on September 19-21, to Ste. Anne de Beaupré, Cape de la Madeline, St Joseph's Oratory has 22 people registered. Deadline before Price increase is Monday, June 16. Masses will be celebrated. Contact Msgr. Muldoon at [pastor@holycrossparish.com](mailto:pastor@holycrossparish.com).

**SPRING 2026 PILGRIMAGE:** We are in the planning stages for Spring 2026 Pilgrimage to the Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland and Scotland. We will visit St Mary's Cathedral, Dublin, Our Lady of Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo, St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh, N. Ireland, St. Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, Marian Shrine, Carfin, Scotland, St Columba's Cathedral, Oban and other spiritual and cultural sights. Complete details to follow as they become available.

**PARISH PLANNING FOR 2026:** Parents who plan to have their child receive **First Reconciliation** and **First Holy Communion in Spring of 2026** are asked to pre-register by contacting the Parish Office by either calling at 613-731-7834 or sending an email to [office@holycrossparish.com](mailto:office@holycrossparish.com). **Please note** this is only for pre-registering, as parents will have to officially register in the fall.

For **PASTORAL LETTERS FOR TEACHING POSITIONS** please register in the Parish, participate in a parish ministry and be practicing in Holy Cross Parish for 3 - 6 months. Then a letter will be considered.

Where do polar bears store their money? Answer: In a snowbank.

Why did the chicken cross the basketball court? He heard the referee calling fowls.

### *Parish News and Community Life...*

## *Congratulations!*

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PASTOR, MONSIGNOR JOSEPH MULDOON ON THE 49<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF HIS PRIESTLY MINISTRY**

On June 11, Monsignor Joseph Muldoon will be celebrating his 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. *May our Lord Jesus continue to bless him abundantly in his priestly ministry!*



### **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION NOTICE TO PARENTS**

For parents of children who are already registered for the Sacrament of Confirmation, the **FIFTH SESSION** will be held on **TUESDAY, JUNE 17 at 6:30 pm.**



**FAMILY MASSES:** This year has been a great year for our Family Masses. We would like to expand our roster of youth lectors for the Masses. If your child is interested in being a lector (should 8 yrs. or older), please complete the form found on the table at the entrance of the Church and place in the basket provided. For more information, please contact Owen Thompson at [oeftompson@gmail.com](mailto:oeftompson@gmail.com).

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** As only four persons came forward as candidates for the four open positions, the following have been elected by acclamation for a two-year term: Owen Thompson, Marcus Cole, Chris Archibald, and Joe Goski. We thank Ana Francisco and Debbie Kuchciak who have stepped down for their service.

### **PARISHIONERS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS: PARISH**



**STEAK & AWARDS BBQ** hosted by the Knights of Columbus will be held on **Saturday, June 14 at 6 p.m.** in the parish hall. Tickets will be available at the back of the Church after weekend Masses until June 07/08. The cost per ticket is \$30 each. All are welcome to attend.

The **BUILDING COMMITTEE** is responsible for the identification of the needs of our church building, the planning of repairs and renovations that will ensure that our parish remains clean, safe, and energy efficient. The building committee could use your help. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the parish office at 613-731-7834 or email at [office@holycrossparish.com](mailto:office@holycrossparish.com).

### *Social Justice...*

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL OTTAWA SOUTH CONFERENCE** will be having a **FUNDRAISER** at The Metro (3310 McCarthy Rd. and Paul Anka Dr.) on Saturday, June 14 from 10 am to 4 pm. The money raised will be used to help support local families with grocery food cards and clothing vouchers at Chez Vincent, our Main St Vincent de Paul store on Merivale Road. Please support your community.



**FOOD DRIVE:** Next weekend, June 14/15 before all Masses, there will be a **FOOD DRIVE** to collect non-perishable food, cash, grocery store gift cards and cheques for our 5 local Food Banks. A list of Most Needed Items is posted on the Social Justice Committee bulletin board beside the confessional. Please bring your donations to the front or side

entrances to the church. No donations should be left in the church. Donations of \$20 or more can be receipted for tax credits if you provide your name, address and email address with your donation. Gift card donations should include the grocery store receipt for the card(s) and **cheques should be made out to one of our 5 local food banks:** Banff Avenue Community House, Brookfield Community Food Cupboard, Debra Dynes Family House, Heron Emergency Food Centre or Pavilion Food Bank. We thank you for your past generosity and hope that you will be able to contribute to this event, since upwards of 3000 men, women and children in our community rely on our food banks.

### **COLLECTION REPORT**

**01 June 2025 – \$3,480.00 (env) / \$734.45 (loose)**

**~ THANK YOU for your generosity and support ~**