

Please pray for the sick: Nora Gagnon, Pat & Ed McGuire, Margaret Bridgeo, Andy McLean, Anne Marie Voutour, Cindy Ouellette, Sarah Ann Wright, Janice Ryan, John Hallihan, Noopa Abin, Ildefonso Conrado Cortes, Joe McGuire and Jack MacIsaac.

For those who have died: Troy MacDonald & Robert Springer

CWL- PRAYER LINE: Prayers will be said daily for two weeks by the CWL women, on request. All requests are confidential; no information is required. To have prayers said, call Jocelyn Keirstead (328-9485) jkeirstead21@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Monday Bingo: Open at 6 pm.
50/50 . Apr. 18, 2022 – Winner Wanda Porter **\$210.00** Tickets are \$2/week available at Martin's Corner Store on Broadway or Smart Stop Ultramar in Grafton Tickets must be purchased by 6 pm Sunday.

Ministries Schedule

For St. Gertrude's, please arrive 15 minutes before scheduled Mass if you are a lector. Please arrive ½ hour before Mass if you are a Door Greeter or Screener. Please let Myrna or Ann know you are present to serve. If unable to serve, please let Myrna 328-9640 or Anne382-8398 know in advance or find a replacement. Thank you so much for your generous offer to serve.

Date	Time	Lector	Eucharistic	Hospitality	Gift Bearer
30-Apr	4:00 PM	Marg McCallum Tom Bridgeo Ron MacDonald	Nellie Gallagher	Charlene Prosser Mike McCallum	Ninfa Blacquiere Neila Foster
01-May	11:00 AM	Brittany Sprague Allison Boyle Moiria Bowlin	Myrna Keenan	Michelle Nowlan Mike Chandra	Sharon Tenhave Patricia Paul
01-May	9:00 AM	1st Reading Diane	Second Reading + Prayers of Faithful	Paulette	

Fr. Martin's trip is delayed until May 9th due to COVID. He is able to return to ministries this weekend but to be cautious will continue to social distance.

CONGRATULATIONS to Tristan Sarchfield, and Dustin and Shakira Culberson, who have been received into full communion into the Church this Easter, may they continue to grow in faith and love of God, and be assured of the support of this faith community.

Offertory Apr. 14-17th

	St. Gertrude	Sts. Simon & Jude	St. Thomas
Loose	69		
Envelopes	1,257	299	50
Easter	1,045	524	10
PAD	1,747	261	77
E-Transfer	20	—	—
	4138	1084	137
Holy Land	1,587	Global South	10
Dev & Peace	250	St. Bonaventure	30



There is still time to make a monetary contribution towards the cost of the Easter flowers on the altar. Please fill in the form below, with your donation and names to be remembered. These names will be placed in the Book of Memorials.

Anyone wishing to make a memorial donation toward the purchase of Easter flowers. Please complete this form and place in the collection or drop in at the office by . Names will be placed in the Book of Memorials.

Name _____ **Envelop #** _____ **Amount** _____

THANK YOU: Thank you to all who helped with the Holy Week and Easter liturgies this year at St. Gertrude. This includes all liturgical ministers: readers, eucharistic ministers, collectors, musicians/singers, hospitality, sacristans, greeters, and many more. Thanks to Debi Rae for the beautiful decorations/flower displays on the altar, to Marjorie Allison-Ross for all the scheduling of ministers, to Don Keenan for sound and video services, and to Diane Dube for all communication and preparation of programs, and coordination through the parish office.

UPCOMING EVENT – COMMUNITY BENEFIT BREAKFAST:
On Saturday, April 30th, the Woodstock, Baptist Church, 785 Main Street, is hosting a community Benefit Breakfast from 8 am – 10:30 am. All proceeds will go to Ukraine via the Red Cross.

Greetings to our St. Gertrude's CWL'ers

Tuesday, April 26 is the Feast Day of our Patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel. To celebrate this day we will be holding a Prayer Service in the Vestry of St. Gertrude's Church on Tuesday, April 26 at 11:45 am. The Prayer Service will be followed by the regular Tuesday Rosary.

Afterwards, we will gather at The River restaurant for lunch (planning on 1:00 pm) Please plan on joining us for prayer and lunch.

In order to make a reservation at The River please let our President, Sharon Tenhave, know that you plan to attend. You can call her at 375-6800 or email her at shtenhave@hotmail.com

Every Sunday is 'Little Easter'

If Christ had not risen from the dead, there would be no Eucharist as we know it.

We might have a meal commemorating his Last Supper. But it would only be a memorial, a re-enactment – no more real than people gathering on July 4 to dress up like the colonists and ring the Liberty Bell.

But the Eucharist is not a re-enactment. It is real. It is "live." It is the risen Lord himself who leads every celebration of the Eucharist. It isn't something we do on our own. The church teaches that the Mass is "the action of Christ and the People of God."

It is the risen Lord, in his glorified human body, who calls us together, who hosts the celebration, and invites us to join him as he continues to give himself- and us- to the God he calls Abba.

Christ did rise from the death. That's why we get together every Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist.

And that's why every Sunday has traditionally been called "Little Easter."



CATHOLIC NEWS:

- * National Catholic Reporter (www.ncronline.org)
- * Vatican News (www.vaticannews.va)
- * Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (www.cccb.ca)
- * Diocese of Saint John + New Freeman (www.dioceseofsaintjohn.org)
- * The Catholic Register (www.catholicregister.org)
- * Catholic Herald - UK (catholicherald.co.uk)
- * Our Sunday Visitor (www.osvnews.com)
- * The Catholic Thing (www.thecatholicthing.org)
- * Catholic Insight Magazine - Canada (www.catholicinsight.com)
- * Catholic World Report (www.catholicworldreport.com)

Diocesan Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/DioceseofSaintJohn/>. The Holy Hour will be led by Bishop Christian Riesbeck, CC, with Fr. Aaron Knox giving a reflection. Bishop Riesbeck will be assisted by the Divine Mercy Catholic School choir for the recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Priests will also be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Those wishing to pray the Divine Mercy Novena are reminded that this Novena on Good Friday with daily recitation of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Novena prayers can be found at <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/novena-13366>. St. Faustina – Pray for us!

FEAST DAYS - MAY 2022

SAINT JOSEPH THE WORKER - MAY 1

Saint Joseph has 2 feast days in the liturgical calendar. The first is March 19, 'Joseph, the Husband of Mary' and the 2nd, May 1, is 'Joseph the Worker'.

Beginning in the Book of Genesis, the dignity of human work has long been celebrated as the participation in the creative work of God. By work, humankind both fulfills the command found in Genesis to care for the earth and to be productive in their labours. St Joseph, the carpenter and foster father of Jesus, is but one example of the holiness of human labour.

Jesus, too, was a carpenter. He learned the trade from St Joseph and spent his early adult years working side by side in Joseph's carpentry shop before leaving to pursue his ministry as preacher and healer.

In 1870, Pope Pius IX declared St Joseph the Patron of the Universal Church. In 1955, Pope Pius XII added the 'Feast of St Joseph the Worker'. This silent saint who was given the noble task of caring and watching over the Virgin Mary and Jesus, now cares for and watches over the Church and models for all the dignity of human work.

St Joseph is also the patron of fathers, the dying and social justice.



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