

Masses and Intentions—

Masses celebrated privately
by Fr. Christopher



Tuesday, May 5th

† Paul & Eileen Sylvestre
50th Wed.

Paul Sylvestre

Wednesday, May 6th

† Leon Gadal
† Ginette Weber Mathea
† Pauline Glasier

Rellett Family
Husband Tony
Cathy Gadal

Thursday, May 7th

† Monique Rivard

Denese & Dan
Dupuis

† Rene Labonte

Armand & Annette
Barrette

† Theo Vanderpryt

Paul & Eileen
Sylvestre

Friday, May 8th†

† Gert Mclean
† Margaret McLeod
† Jim Peltier

Alma Fiori
Alma Fiori
Don & Lorraine Bulley

Sunday, May 10th— 5th Sunday of Easter

10am webcast tilburycatholic.ca



Please pray for the sick in our faith community

Katherine Moon, Oliver Reed, William Reaume, Rose Duquette, Christopher Powers, Pauline Quenneville, Irene Vella-Zarb, Shirley Houle, Lawrence Salive, Megan Patrick, Earla Zemmicky, Bernice Labonte, Sue Cabral, Shirley Mailloux, Jim Brosseau, David bellemore, Evelyn Gore, Ernestine Demers, Eileen Sylvestre, Laurence Marchand, Cheryl Renaud, Fr. Jack Hurley

Act of Spiritual Communion—My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you have already come and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. St. Alphonsus

Weekly Offerings

When we offer our financial support to the parish—given from the heart, it is a true act of worship. We offer the fruit of our labour in thanksgiving to Him who sustains us in all things. When we give we are making a tangibly difference in someone's life through the ministry that is provided to them. There's no better investment in the world than your local parish.

St. Francis Xavier—April 26th, 2020

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| Regular | \$750.00 |
| T.A. | \$60.00 |
| Capital Loan | \$50.00 |
| Candles | \$12.00 |
| Good Friday | \$30.00 |
| Easter | \$110.00 |
| St. VdeP | \$40.00 |
| Total | \$1,052.00 |

St. Peter's

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| Regular | \$365.00 |
| Thanksgiving Appeal | \$640.00 |
| Save a Family Plan | \$5.00 |
| Good Friday | \$95.00 |
| Easter | \$100.00 |
| St. Vincent De Paul | \$5.00 |
| St. Peter's Cemetery | \$100.00 |
| Total | \$1310.00 |



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

"Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine: et lux perpetua luceat eis"

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of Roseanna Royal mother of Chris Royal and Jon St. Pierre and Paul Tremblay, husband of Lucy. Let us keep their families and friends in our prayers.



Prayer of Consecration to Mary
by St. Pope John Paul II

Immaculate Conception, Mary, my Mother.
Live in me. Act in me. Speak in and through me.
Think your thoughts in my mind. Love, through my heart.
Give me your dispositions and feelings.
Teach, lead and guide me to Jesus.
Correct, enlighten and expand my thoughts and behavior.
Possess my soul. Take over my entire personality and life.
Replace it with yourself.
Incline me to constant adoration and thanksgiving.
Pray in me and through me.
Let me live in you and keep me in this union always.

From the Vatican -"Pope Francis spoke of the qualities of Jesus, the True Shepherd of the People of God....

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand".

The Father and I are one." "Jesus appears as the True Shepherd of the People of God. He speaks about the relationship that binds Him to the sheep of the flock, namely, to His disciples, and He insists on the fact that it's a relationship of mutual knowledge," Pope Francis explained. "we see that Jesus' work is explained in some actions: Jesus speaks, Jesus knows, Jesus gives eternal life...." He receives and loves us as we are, with our good points and our bad points."



May is the Month of Mary—We have been invited to join the Bishops of Canada and a number of Episcopal Councils throughout the world to consecrate the Diocese of London to Mary, Mother of the Church on 1 May 2020. On the first day of the month traditionally devoted to honouring our Blessed Mother, we will call out to her and seek her maternal protection during the Coronavirus Pandemic.

Ascension Press is offering free online programs, videos and prayers most useful during this time of pandemic. Why not check it out? <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/parish-resources>

St. Vincent de Paul Society—Easter treats, craft and cupcakes were dropped off at Tilbury Gardens on behalf of St. Vincent de Paul. A new camp administrator and maintenance person have been hired. Donations may be left in the mail slot at the church. Thank you for your continued support.

Saint of the Week: May 6-St. François de (Montmorency) Laval (1623-1708) was born in France, was educated by the Jesuits and was ordained in 1647. He was made bishop in 1658, was sent to New France and was the first Roman Catholic Bishop of Quebec City. He founded the Seminary of Quebec, now Laval University, to train and supply priests for his vast diocese. He was a caring bishop, educator, generous and pious man with a great spiritual influence. He was canonized in 2014 by Pope Francis and is the patron of the Bishops of Canada. The city of Laval, Quebec, north of Montreal, is also named after him. His remains are entombed in the Cathedral of Notre Dame de Quebec.

Fourth Sunday of Easter Homily Year A—Good Shepherd Sunday—Psalm 23



Usually we focus on the Gospel reading for the homily but I want to spend sometime today looking at the responsorial psalm—Psalm 23—the Good Shepherd Psalm. Like so many things that we hear often we can become desensitized to the words and impact of this psalm. I remember one woman telling me that the one thing she didn't want at her funeral was Psalm 23—because it was depressing—she had associated it with death. Little did she realize that she would be dead at her funeral—or at least I hope so.

Psalm 23 was written by the Shepherd King David. David was chosen to lead, to "shepherd" God's people. David, a simple shepherd boy is chosen out of the sons of Jesse and anointed by Samuel—he is God's anointed—a figure pointing to it's fullest realization in Christ. David is anointed with the Oil of Gladness—the Holy Spirit.

David was not the oldest, the wisest or the strongest of the sons of Jesse—he was little and insignificant in the eyes of the world—and yet he would go on to be a great King and servant of God. Far from being perfect, David struggled with all that we face and more. And yet with a profound sense of his humanity and neediness, he could cry out in the midst of his condition with the beauty and faith of the inspired words of psalm 23...."The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever."

David is no "plaster" saint or human being. He was passionately in love with God and yet he could be a great sinner as well. As profound as his sins were, he was equally capable (with God's mercy) to be heartbroken and contrite over his sins, Psalm 51 "Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me....Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have crushed rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities...."David a wonderful servant of God, who relied on God for strength and guidance and above all mercy. Have a great week. Father Christopher