



Fifth Sunday of Easter-Year C

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith" (Galatians 6.10b).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.



Saturday, May 18

4:30 pm-For God's protection over Christ's Church, Mother Angelica, EWTN, all Nuns and Friars by Nellie Nahri

Sunday, May 19-Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am-For the repose of the soul of Ovila Boucher by Juanita Boucher

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Tuesday, May 21

7:00 pm-Mass Cancelled

Wednesday, May 22

8:30 am-STA- Mass Cancelled

9:30 am-OLMM- Mass Cancelled

Thursday, May 23

9:00 am- Mass Cancelled

Friday, May 24

9:00 am- For the intentions of Bishop Brendan O'Brian by the CWL members

Saturday, May 25

4:30 pm- For the intentions of and God's blessings over Mr. Trump and Mr. Pence by Nellie Nahri

Sunday, May 26-Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 am- For the birthday intentions of Faith

Urlocker/Lalonde by her loving family

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:
Pam Latour, Genny Detillieux, Natasha Baechler,
Beverley Plunkett, Marie Kirkham & Theresa Harps.

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

May 12th, - \$ 3,323.00

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INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR MAY:

The Church in Africa, a Seed of Unity

That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

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and our Facebook page
Email: admin@olmm.ca**

Gospel Reflection

Was the Last-Supper commandment of Jesus to love one another really all that *new*? Is there not an Old Testament requirement to love my neighbour as myself (Lev 19:18)? The really new ideal is that we are to love *in the way that Jesus loves us*, and that is totally, to the last drop of His blood, poured out in the sacrifice of Calvary. Another sense in which His love-commandment is new is how He defines who is my neighbour, whom I should love. His parable of the Good Samaritan shows that everyone is my neighbour, even those of different nationality or religion. So now, love for our neighbour is very demanding, and goes beyond all racism or prejudice.

The really hard question is whether such love is possible. While giving a hesitant yes to this as a possibility, it is clear that most of us, most of the time clearly fail to live this new commandment fully. We can only love in this way by cooperating very generously with the grace of God. But the power to do is made possible by the New Covenant set up by Christ, and because we have the living presence of the risen Jesus always with us, to help us love in His way.

Of course there are difficult situations where it is very demanding to love our neighbour as ourselves or even to love our neighbour in any way at all. In the face of extremism or any other form of terrorism, or in time of war, we are strongly tempted to dehumanise the enemy and regard them as no longer part of the human family, and so unworthy of any kind of love or respect. But Jesus' commandment to love, and His own example of forgiving those who crucified Him, constantly call us to reconsider things and seek for reconciliation rather than total victory.

In the end, it is only when working with the grace of God that we can love our neighbour as ourselves in this new way. It is only by living every day with Jesus that we can love our neighbour as ourselves in this new way. Can we live our day in such a way that we are in communion with Jesus in some way all day? It is only by living our day with Jesus that we can love as He loved. It is only by living close to Jesus that we can love as Jesus asked us. If not, we will be relying only on our human efforts alone, and we will love with some other type of love but not the unconditional love Jesus asked for when He said, "I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you."

Blessings,

Have a great week!

May 19th, 2019

**Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish?
WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration
form found in the foyer or in the office.
You may bring the completed form to the office**

What's Happening This Week

Tues. - Adult choir-7:30-church

Handicraft Holy Land Christians

The weekend of June 1-2 we will have with us a special guest from Sebastien Cardinal's team representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after the masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in The Holy Land. Christians in the Holy Land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and the purchase of these special religious art pieces. Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. Cash, debit and credit cards will be accepted. May God Bless you for your generosity, for help, and for your prayers." www.HolylandChristians.ca

PARISH PASTORAL CALENDAR 2019/2020

Any organization within the parish that needs events placed into our upcoming Pastoral Calendar (Sept. 2019-July 2020) should provide that information to the office by June 30, 2019. Thank you for your cooperation.

Reminder to all candidates for confirmation that there will be a meeting and a practice for confirmation on Wednesday, May 29th at 7:00pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

**Congratulations to all the children who received first
communion.
Saturday May 11th**

Rose Detilleux, Sophia Smith, Abbie Welsh-Racine,
Emma Laplante, Blake Lusk, Logan George, Evan
Durocher and Benson Gosselin

Sunday May 12th

Landon Touchette, Patrick McCauley, Sofia Garcia,
Elena Kwok, Catherine Fancey, Shelby Boehm,
Catherine Stinson, Rylie McBride, Elena Hammel,
Danika Seymour and Simon Kwok



**Please consider giving generously to our
parish addition and renovation project.
Please also pray for the success of the much
needed up-grades.**

**Pentecost Service June 8, 2019 - Behold His Glory with
special guest Marcel Dion** We are delighted to announce that on the vigil of Pentecost OLM will have Marcel Dion, a lay evangelist, worship leader, and teacher, to lead us in a dynamic time of celebratory praise worship as we call upon the Holy Spirit to rekindle in us the fire of His love and power. All are welcome. More info to follow. You are also invited to begin praying a novena to the Holy Spirit on Friday, May 31, 2019. Copies of the novena will be available at the back of the church on the weekend of 24-25 May.

SICK CALLS: Please call the Parish Office if a parishioner is ill, hospitalized, or homebound and would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick, Reconciliation or Holy Communion. Hospitals or other facilities often do not contact us regarding spiritual needs.

Have you been missing the fellowship from attending coffee Sundays? If so please feel free to sign up and host an up-coming coffee Sunday. Sign up sheets are posted just outside the kitchen. Thank you all in advance.

Diocesan Feast Day Mass: We gather around our archbishop to celebrate and give thanks for the foundation of the diocese of Bytown in June 1847 and the anniversary of its elevation to an archdiocese in 1886. The celebration this year at Notre Dame Cathedral on Thurs., June 6, 7:30 p.m. will have a youth character. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. In recognition of the insights gained through the recent Synod on Youth on this occasion we wish to affirm the dynamism and engagement of young people active in their in the parish.

Celebrate Under Mary's Mantle: The Queenship of Mary Community invites you to their annual celebration on Mon., May 20, 10 am at 351 Lake George Rd., Plantagenet. Mass with Archbishop Terrence Prendergast SJ, a complimentary lunch, activities for the family and a crowning of Our Lady. RSVP: 613-601-5278; thequeenshipofmary@gmail.com.

"It is in giving of oneself that one receives."-- Saint Francis of Assisi A very special thank you to the small but very dedicated and hardworking crew who came out last Saturday, May 11th to help with the parish cleanup. All of the church received a good fresh cleaning, from the pews to the basement windows. Job well done!!