

Sunday, May 11, 2014

Fourth Sunday of Easter




**The Catholic
Communities of
St. John the Evangelist**

2540 Stagecoach Road, Osgoode 

and

St. Brigid

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THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE

In these times of rapid technological change and social stresses, it can sometimes be very challenging to establish our personal identity or to discover a sense of meaning in our lives. Jesus offers us a clear alternative in today's gospel: he has come that we may have life, and have it abundantly.

This dynamic life that Jesus promises is one reason for which we choose to become his followers. What's more, the abundance of life made possible by Jesus' coming is not only remembered, it is also realized through our Christian communities. That is because, as the body of Christ, the Church witnesses to life in all its plenitude. This begins with how each of us lives day-to-day – at home, at work, at school. We are now free from our sins, so that we may live for righteousness, as Peter writes today.

Jesus makes clear in today's gospel that the basis for this offer of abundant life is Jesus himself. He is the gate through whom we find nourishment and by whom we are saved. There may be other means by which we find comfort, pleasure and value, but we find fulfillment only through a personal relationship with Jesus, and we are faithful to this relationship in celebrating the eucharist, at which time we receive once again the abundant life promised us.

*Happy
Mother's Day*

MASS INTENTIONS

St. John

Sunday, May 11 at 9:00 a.m.

Souls of Victor & Hazel Kelly, by
Leighton, Callista and Kyle Kelly

Thursday, May 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Soul of Ted Zajac, by Judy and
Michael Chambers

Friday, May 16 at 9:00 a.m.

NO MASS

Sunday, May 18 at 9:00 a.m.

50th Wedding Anniversary for Al
and Isobel Herbert

St. Brigid

Saturday, May 10 at 5:00 p.m.

Soul of Gerald Neville, by Anne
Perkins

Sunday, May 11 at 10:30 a.m.

Souls of Luis & Elsie Gama-Rose,
by Shelia Gama-Rose

Saturday, May 17 at 5:00 p.m.

Soul of Freeman Lepage, by Their
daughters

Sunday, May 18 at 10:30 a.m.

Soul of Jose Sousa, by Alice
Cordeiro

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confession):**

- Saturday at **St. Brigid** from
4:30 to 4:45 p.m.
- Sundays at **St. John** from
8:30 to 8:45 a.m.

Parish News and Community Life

ST. BRIGID CHURCH – HOLY HOUR

You are welcome to join with the parish the Cenacle Group for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every **Saturday from 3:00 to 4:15 p.m.** followed by Benediction.

ST. JOHN'S VOLUNTEER SACRISTAN

We are looking for a volunteer to help with setting up the altar, to unlock the church doors before mass and to assist our priest. If interested please see Father or call the office.

FUNDRAISING AUCTION – Sat., May 24, 11:00 a.m.

With many antiques and collectables and a large variety of furniture. Viewing starts at 9:00 a.m. Info: see church website.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH PICNIC – July 19

Gates open at 1:00 pm, with Roast Beef Dinner settings at 4 and 6 pm.

Advance tickets: Adults \$20 per person, children over 10 \$10, children under 10 free, family of 3 or more \$50. **Tickets sales at door:** Adults \$25 per person, children over 10 \$15, family 3 or more \$60. All advance tickets include the \$5.00 ground fee. Please get your tickets early and save before the tickets are all sold.

NATIONAL WEEK FOR LIFE AND FAMILY (Pro-Life)

Together with our brothers and sisters, we will promote the sacredness of life across Canada from **May 12 to Sunday May 18.**

MEN'S BREAKFAST

At St. Augustine, 1060 Baseline, **Sat., May 24, 8:00 a.m.** The speaker will be Father Denis Lemieux, speaking on "Texting with God." Continental breakfast. Cost \$5 at east door of church. RSVP Denis (613-228-7646) or (breakfastformen@gmail.com). All men welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO QUEBEC CITY

Celebrate the 350th Anniversary of Notre-Dame de Quebec and the only Holy Door in North America. The 2-day pilgrimage departs May 21 and June 25. Cost is \$240 per person double occupancy. Msgr Latour will be the spiritual guide for May and Yves Trottier for June. Info: David (613-620-1196) or email david@voyagesterranatura.ca

140TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE

St-Anne-de-Beaupre and to Cap-de-la-Madeleine from the Dioceses of Ottawa, Gatineau, Pembroke, Mont-Laurier, Alexandria/Cornwall and Kingston on **August 9-10, 2014.** Special invitation to all our grandmothers and their grandchildren to come celebrate our anniversary with our spiritual Grandmother Good Saint Ann. Archbishop Terrence Prendergast will be accompanied by Bishops from each other Dioceses. Info: Mike Budge (613-224-8110); (www.ste-anne-de-beaupre.com).

Last Sunday's Collection

St. Brigid: \$ 1,350.65

St. John: \$ 1,389.25

Clothing Depot

Open Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.
Coordinator: Wilda Corcoran at 613-821-3730.

Food Bank

Open Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. until 12 noon.
Coordinators: Len or Denise Herbert at 613-821-1481.

Hospitality

St. Brigid – if you know of a parishioner who is ill, or has suffered a loss, and would appreciate receiving a card, please call Sharon Van Schyndel at 613-489-0247.

Baptisms

Upon Request. A baptism preparation course is required.

Marriage

Please notify the parish office at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date.

Our St. Brigid Community

St. Brigid Parish Council*

Maureen Goodspeed -
Chair
Deanna Kelly
John Kelly

St. Brigid Cemetery

Mike Kelly 613-692-4293

Our St. John Community

St. John Parish Council*

Dave Sandre, Co-Chair
Sean Blanchfield
Brian Kelly
Susan Phillips, Finance
Al Hawco, Maintenance
Len Herbert, Maintenance

St. John Cemetery

Leonard Lapensee
613-821-3249

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