

# St Philip Parish & St Clare Mission

Roman Catholic Parish, Richmond, Ontario

April 27, 2025, Divine Mercy Sunday

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## 'A welcoming Catholic community seeking holiness in the Body of Christ'

**Sunday Masses:** St Philip: Saturday 4:30pm, Sunday 10:30am & 12:30 (Charismatic Mass) St Clare: Sunday 9am

**Weekday Masses:** Mondays 7pm (St Philip) & Tuesdays 7pm (St Clares) **What's On Weekly—See Page 2**

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## Sunday, April 27th is the Feast of Divine Mercy

From: <https://www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/feast-13356>

Concerning the Feast of Mercy, Jesus said:

*Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. (Diary 300)*

*I want the image solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. (Diary 341)*

*This Feast emerged from the very depths of My mercy, and it is confirmed in the vast depths of my tender mercies. (Diary 420)*

*On one occasion, I heard these words: My daughter, tell the whole world about My Inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy. (Diary 699)*

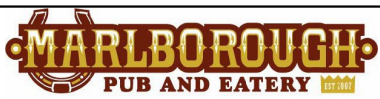
*Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to our neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to absolve yourself from it. (Diary 742)*

*I want to grant complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy. (Diary 1109)*



**REQUIEM MASS FOR THE HOLY FATHER** – Thursday May 1, 7pm at Saint-François-d'Assise Parish (20 Fairmont Avenue). All are invited to this Mass, presided over by our Archbishop. Parking at the parish is limited. It is strongly suggested that you park on neighbouring streets or carpool.





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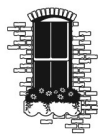
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## Parish Life—Regular Activities

### ST CLARES:

**Pastoral Council**—3rd Tuesday of month after 7pm Mass  
**Coffee Sunday**—2nd Sunday of month.  
**CWL**—every 2nd Thursday of the month at 7 pm

### ST PHILIPS:

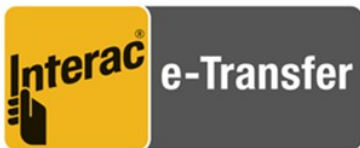
**Adult Ed/RCIA:** Dcn Louis—444-1228  
**Adoration o/t Blessed Sacrament:** Mondays, 2-6:45pm & Thursdays, 3-6:45pm  
**Apostles Div Mercy:** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays, 1pm, 63 Lennox  
**Bible Study:** After 7pm Mass on Mondays  
**Coffee Sunday:** Sundays weekly after 10:30am Mass, Hall  
**Euchre:** Every 2nd Wed, 7pm in Hall: April 2, 16, 30  
**First Friday Mass:** Next: Mar 7, 6:30pm. Adoration follows  
**Knights of Columbus**—2nd Tues of mo-7:30 in Hall  
**Ladies Auxiliary:** Wed April 23, 7 pm in Hall  
**Pastoral Council:** 1<sup>st</sup> Tues of month, 8pm, Hall  
**Prayer Meeting**—Every Thurs, 7:30pm, St Philips Hall  
**Rosary:** St Philips, 4:10pm (before 4:30pm Saturday Mass) & 10:10 (before 10:30am Sunday Mass)  
**St Vincent de Paul**—3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month (Rectory)  
**Temporal Affairs Cnc'l:** 4<sup>th</sup> Tues of the month, 7pm, Hall

## Catechism Corner

### Why should we adore God?

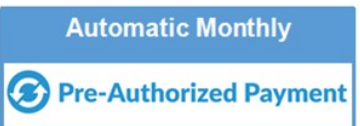
Every person who understands that he is God's creature will humbly recognize the Almighty and adore him. Christian adoration, however, sees not only the greatness, omnipotence, and holiness of God. It also kneels before the divine Love that became man in Jesus Christ. Someone who really adores God kneels down before him or prostrates himself on the ground. This gives expression to the truth about the relation between man and God: He is great and we are little. At the same time, man is never greater than when he freely and devoutly kneels down before God. The unbeliever who is seeking God and is beginning to pray can find God in this way.  
**Dig Deeper:** CCC section (2644-2651) and references [here](#).

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**Donate by Cash of Cheque**—donations in numbered envelopes (or in an envelope with your name & address) can be dropped in the collection plate. OR cheques can be mailed to the office.

## Announced Masses—April

### Saturday, 4:30 at St. Philip

**April 19**—IMOC Connie & Jerome Pierunek, Gail & Robert Harris  
**April 26**—Special intentions of Christina & Terry Murdock  
**May 3**—In memory of Rudy Mayr by John & Birgit Evans

### Sunday 9am at St. Clares

**April 20**—Intention of Joanne Gravelle by Peter & Christian Kelly  
**April 27**—IMO Claire & Patrick Kelly by Peter & Christian Kelly  
**May 4**—In memory of David Hamilton by Reta Hamilton

### Sunday, 10:30 at St. Philips

**April 27**—In mem of Clair Paquet by Lucie & Richard Guitard

### Mondays, 7pm at St. Philips

**May 5**—Intentions of Reta Hamilton by Betty Dolan

### Eternal Rest, Grant Unto Francis, O Lord

#### Prayer for a Deceased Pope

God, Who, in Thine ineffable providence, didst will that Thy servant Francis ... should be numbered among the high priests; grant, we beseech Thee, that he, who on earth held the place of Thine only-begotten Son, may be joined forevermore to the fellowship of Thy holy pontiffs. Through the same Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen. *Source: Roman Missal*

#### Requiem Aeternam ("Eternal Rest")

**V. Eternal rest grant unto Francis, O Lord.**

**R. And let the perpetual light shine upon him.**

**And may his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.**

**Amen.**

### Why is it important to support the parishes financially?

Just like any other charity or non-profit organization, it costs money to keep St. Philip Parish and St. Clare Mission afloat. For example, the annual operating expenditure budget of St. Philip Parish is approximately \$155,000, which goes towards paying for the following items:

- Paying for the parish priest, the parish office administrator, replacement priests to say Mass and the parish bookkeeper;
- Diocesan tax on parish revenues (donations);
- Utilities (heat, hydro, water, sewer, utilities, etc.)
- Repairs and maintenance on St. Philip Church, the Parish Hall, and other buildings and grounds;
- Office expenses; and,
- Pastoral expenses.

In addition, St. Philip Parish also spends about \$10,000-\$20,000 per year on major projects and renovations to replace and/or renovate the parish buildings and other items within the parish.

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## Parish News

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT ST PHILIPS

Adoration from 2-4pm

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA**—we continue to pray the novena nightly at 7 pm in St Philips church until Saturday April 26th (inclusive). All are welcome.

### SIGN THE LEGACY BOOK FOR POPE FRANCIS

Parishioners of St Philips and St Clares are invited to sign one of the 'Legacy Books' for Pope Francis. Books will be available this weekend and the weekend of May 3-4 at BOTH St Philips and St Clares. You are invited to write your thoughts, prayers and condolences. Kelly Funeral Homes are spearheading the initiative, and they will bind the books into a gift for our Diocese.

### GARAGE SALE SATURDAY MAY 10

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Garage Sale May 10th in St Philip's Church Hall. We ask parishioners to donate gently used household items such as furniture, cutlery, electrical tool, clothing, etc for this worth while fundraising cause. Donation days are limited due to storage and hall usage. Donations can only be accepted on April 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, May 4<sup>th</sup> and anytime between 9am-3pm on 9 May 9th. Donations won't be accepted on the sale date (May 10<sup>th</sup>). We ask that only serviceable and clean items are donated as the Knights must absorb the cost of disposal if items are non sale worthy or defective. Donations requiring a truck for bulk items or those who cannot make it on the above mentioned drop off dates are to contact John Evans at 613-558-9620 to arrange for pickup on May 9th.

**MASS CANCELLATIONS** There will be no 7pm Mass on: Monday April 28, or Tuesday April 29.

**HIKE FOR LIFE** - You can sponsor Dcn Louis! Saturday, April 26, 2025, from 8 am to 12 pm. [info@actionlife.org](mailto:info@actionlife.org)

### PLANT SALE FUNDRAISER FOR SCHOOL

Join us in supporting the students at St. Philip School. Purchase your beautiful, local Richmond Nursery planters and hanging baskets through the school's spring fundraiser. Save \$5 when you buy two of a kind. For more information and pricing [click here](#). To place your order, please complete [this Google Form](#) before May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Orders will be ready for pick up just in time for Mother's Day. See the poster at entrance.

**JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE Why the Jubilee?** Pope Francis declared 2025 as a Holy Year of Jubilee for the Catholic Church. Established in 1470 by Pope Paul II to occur every 25 years, the Jubilee is a sacred time for transformation through God's holiness. It invites Catholics worldwide to renew their relationship with God, one another, and creation, celebrating the central Christian theme of hope.

The Ordinary Jubilee of 2025 offers an opportunity for all to embark on a pilgrimage of hope—whether locally in our dioceses, cathedral or shrine, or Canada's National Shrines, or by journeying to Rome. Over the coming months, there will be plenty of opportunities and resources to help you observe this special year of grace in our diocese. See below on how you can take part of the Jubilee Year of Hope. See more info at: <https://ottawacornwall.ca/jubilee-2025/>

## Parish Directory :

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**Office Hours:** Virtual Tues & Thurs - 9am-1:30pm. Wed: In Person 9-1

**Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesdays at 12 noon

**Hall Rentals:** Office (613-838-2314)

**Parish Schools:** St. Philips Catholic School - 613-838-2466

Sacred Heart High School (Stittsville) - 613-831-6643

**Baptisms:** Third Sunday of the month (3pm); Baptismal preparation required. Contact office 8 weeks in advance.

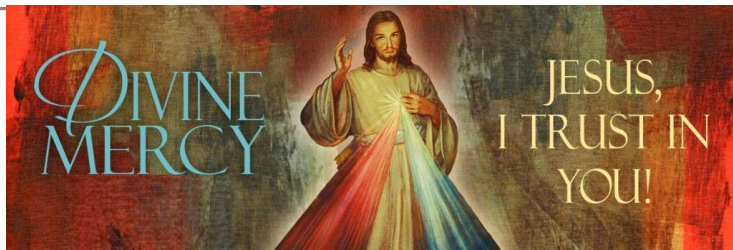
**Marriages:** Contact office at least 6 months in advance of desired date

**Reconciliation:** First Fridays 7-8pm; OR

By appointment - call the office (613-838-2314)

**Confirmation/1<sup>st</sup> Communion** - Next Enrollment is September 2024

**Sacrament o/t Sick**-on request,&after every Mass on last wkend of month



**HEART OF WORSHIP ADORATION EVENING** - Tuesday, April 29th at Holy Redeemer Parish, 7pm - 8:30pm - Spiritual talk by Pierre O'Reilly - Praise and Worship music - Opportunity for Reconciliation - Silent prayer time - Fellowship - Come in-person or join by Livestream! link: [www.YouTube.com/HolyRedeemerParishKanata](http://www.YouTube.com/HolyRedeemerParishKanata)

### PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Bernadette Nagle, Caroline Acker, Fred Schubert, Peter Maitland, Fr Ruddick, Fr Bob, Fr McCormick, Gerry van Gaal, Kathleen Crozier, Glenna Leighton, MJ Wilson, Theresa Slattery, Michael Lawless, Suzanne Denis, Elizabeth vanGalder, Lorraine Wannamaker, healthcare workers, those affected by illnesses, those who are isolated and all who mourn. God bless them & families with peace, joy, strength. St Joseph, Hope of the Sick, Patron of the Dying, intercede for us.

### SPRING MEDLEY CONCERT

St Andrew's Presbyterian Church are hosting a "Spring Medley" concert with the Ottawa Police Chorus, Bellringers, a Jazz duet, and guitar music. Wednesday May 7th 7 pm. Freewill donation. Refreshments to follow

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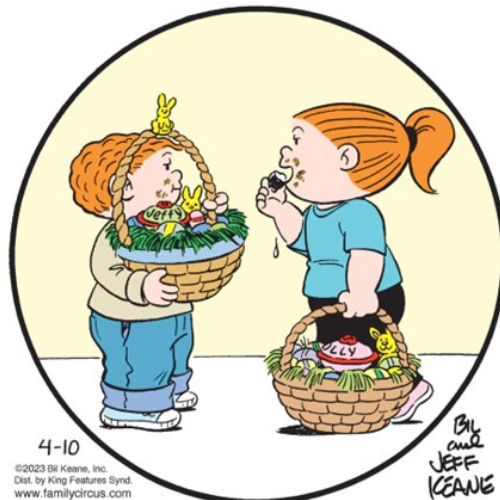
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