

St Philip Parish & St Clare Mission

Roman Catholic Parish, Richmond, Ontario

May 4, 2025, Third Sunday of Easter

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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**

Fr Bob's Homilies: www.stphilips-church.com (right side of homepage under the 'Donate Now' button)

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What is Holy Eucharist?

Holy Eucharist is the sacrament in which Jesus Christ gives his Body and Blood himself for us, so that we too might give ourselves to him in love and be united with him in Holy Communion. In this way we are joined with the one Body of Christ, the Church.

After Baptism and Confirmation, the Eucharist is the third sacrament of initiation of the Catholic Church. The Eucharist is the mysterious center of all these sacraments, because the historic sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross is made present during the words of consecration in a hidden, unbloody manner. Thus the celebration of the Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life" (Second Vatican Council, Lumen gentium [LG], 11). Everything aims at this; besides this there is nothing greater that one could attain. When we eat the broken Bread, we unite ourselves with the love of Jesus, who gave his body for us on the wood of the Cross; when we drink from the chalice, we unite ourselves with him who even poured out his blood out of love for us. We did not invent this ritual. Jesus himself celebrated the Last Supper with his disciples and therein anticipated his death; he gave himself to his disciples under the signs of bread and wine and commanded them from then on, even after his death, to celebrate the Eucharist. "Do this in remembrance of me" (1 Cor 11:24). (YOUCAT question 208)

"Take; this is my body"

—Mark 14:22

The presence of Christ in the Eucharist is real, true, and substantial.

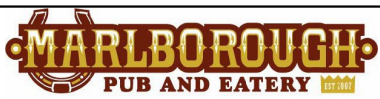
"Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love." (St. John Paul II, *Dominicae cenae*, no. 3)



"It is called: Eucharist, because it is an action of thanksgiving to God." (CCC, no. 1328)

Eucharist "makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Savior." (CCC, no. 1330)

Dig Deeper: CCC section (1324) and other references [here](#).



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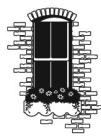
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Pastoral Council—3rd Tuesday of month after 7pm Mass
Coffee Sunday—2nd Sunday of month.
CWL—every 2nd Thursday of the month at 7 pm

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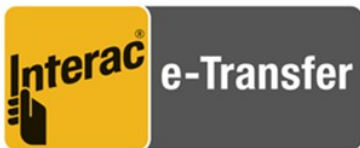
Adult Ed/RCIA: Dcn Louis—444-1228
Adoration o/t Blessed Sacrament: Mondays, 2-6:45pm & Thursdays, 3-6:45pm
Apostles Div Mercy: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 1pm, 63 Lennox
Bible Study: After 7pm Mass on Mondays
Coffee Sunday: Sundays weekly after 10:30am Mass, Hall
Euchre: Every 2nd Wed, 7pm in Hall: May 14 & 28
First Friday Mass: Next: May 2, 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: 1st 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—3rd Wednesday of the Month (Rectory)
Temporal Affairs Cnc'l: 4th Tues of the month, 7pm, Hall

Catechism Corner

Why should we thank God?

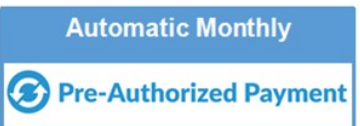
Everything that we are and have comes from God. Paul says, "What have you that you did not receive?" (1 Cor 4:7). Being grateful to God, the giver of all good things, makes you happy. The greatest prayer of thanks is the "Eucharist" ("thanksgiving" in Greek) of Jesus, in which he takes bread and wine so as to offer in them to God all of creation, transformed. Whenever Christians give thanks, they are joining in Jesus' great prayer of thanksgiving. For we, too, are transformed and redeemed by Jesus, and so from the depths of our hearts we can be grateful and tell God this in a variety of ways. **Dig Deeper:** CCC section (2636-2642) and other references [here](#).

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Announced Masses—May

Saturday, 4:30 at St. Philip

May 3—In memory of Rudy Mayr by John & Birgit Evans
May 10—For the children making first Eucharist by Ladies Aux
May 17—In mem of Suzanne McNally by Sharon Crossan & fam
May 24—In memory of Frank Wrona by Ladies Auxiliary
May 31—In memory of Caroline Rusin by Rosemary Logan
June 7—For those ill and all who mourn, by Ladies Auxilia

Sunday 9am at St. Clares

May 4—In memory of David Hamilton by Reta Hamilton
May 18—In mem of Kristen O'Connor by Shirley, Jerome & fam
May 25—IMO Bettina & James Colby, by Christian & Peter Kelly
June 1—For the Lemeiux family by Anastasis & Steve Bowles

Sunday, 10:30 at St. Philips

May 11—In memory of Pat Monuk by Joanne Denis
May 18—In mem of Clair Paquet by Wanda & John van Dorst

Mondays, 7pm at St. Philips

May 5—Intentions of Reta Hamilton by Betty Dolan

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

FIRST FRIDAY MASS: FRIDAY MARCH 2nd at 6:30pm. Followed by a holy hour of adoration from 7-8pm

PRO-LIFE WEEK-May 4 (Pro-Life Sunday), May 7 (Candlelight Vigil and Human Rights Monument), May 8 (March for Life on Parliament Hill and Rose Gala), May 9 (Youth Summit) May 8 & 9 (Pro-Life Expo). Visit www.marchforlife.ca for a complete list of events

MARCH FOR LIFE – Thursday May 8, Parliament Hill – visit marchforlife.ca Busing options **may** be available from Holy Redeemer. Book a seat on a bus **BEFORE** May 6 at www.lifemattersnetwork.ca/bus

LAST WEEK TO SIGN THE LEGACY BOOK FOR POPE FRANCIS This is the last weekend to sign the books 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.

TREASURES GALORE! COME SHOP AT THE KNIGHTS GARAGE SALE SATURDAY MAY 10
The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Garage Sale May 10th in St Philip's Church Hall. Donations can be accepted on May 4th and anytime between 9am-3pm on May 9th. Donations won't be accepted on the sale date (May 10). John Evans at 613-558-9620.

EASTER MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP DAMPHOUSSE <https://ottawacornwall.ca/news/2025-easter-message-archbishop-marcel-damphousse/>

ARCHDIOCESE JUBILEE YEAR PAGE: <https://ottawacornwall.ca/jubilee-2025/>

FROM CHILDREN'S LITURGY TEAM: We are proud of the growth of our program; it has been a joy to work with your children, who brighten our hearts each week with their intelligence, kindness, and humor. As our group continues to expand, we are seeking volunteers. If you are interested in assisting during Sunday liturgy or future initiatives, please email Tina. Teens are welcome and encouraged and we are happy to sign off volunteer hours. Additionally, we are exploring new materials for our crafts (let us know of sensitivities or allergies). Feel free to reach out with feedback or info: email tina.m.sul1977@gmail.com or see us after Mass.

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/>

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Office Hours: Virtual Tues & Thurs – 9am-1:30pm. Wed: In Person 9-11
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
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By appointment – call the office (613-838-2314)
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Congratulations to all the children making their First Holy Communion this weekend!



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 Dying, intercede for us.

ARCHBISHOP'S RECEPTION MAY 15

Be present for the official launch of our new Archdiocesan vision, presented by Archbishop Marcel Damphousse. Come be empowered with the mission. Infinity Convention Centre, doors open at 6 pm for a cocktail hour, followed by the main programming from 7 pm – 9 pm. Appetizers will be served. Tickets are \$65 and on sale now. Visit ottawacornwall.ca/events/archbishops-reception/ to purchase your tickets today.

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