## St Philip Parish & St Clare Mission

Roman Catholic Parish, Richmond, Ontario

October 26, 2025 Bulletin

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St Clares Mission Est 1849

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

Stunday 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: <a href="https://www.stphilips-church.com">www.stphilips-church.com</a> (right side of homepage under the 'Donate Now' button)

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#### Fr Bob Writes:

ST. PHILIP PARISH

It is not easy to avoid self-righteousness. Even our conversation so easily takes a self-serving turn. Self-preservation means more than species survival. It also includes a constant struggle for recognition which probably never vanishes completely. But repeatedly Jesus puts us on guard. So much of Luke's gospel represents a plea for humility and lowliness. Those who emerge in a favorable light are sinners and outlaws for the simple reason that they know what the need for God means. They have nowhere to turn, but to God - and they do so.

If we could learn to make as much out of our failures as we do our successes, our lives would be much more Godcentred. Failure is sobering; it marks our vulnerability. Sin, as a part of failure, shows us how far we can distance ourselves from God. The key is bringing all of that before God as an expression of our helplessness. Then our whole life, even with its successes, will take on a new light. Our prayer becomes richer because it truly expresses our dependence.

The tax collector in Jesus' parable this Sunday went home the winner. He gave nothing and received everything - and he realized it. St Paul, in our second reading speaks of his successes. Faith-filled and often tested in the furnace of adversity, he is fully convinced that it is God who has brought him through. His, too, is the cry of the poor.

### The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and in the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen

Franciscus





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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 **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: Oct 1, 15, 29

First Friday Mass: Next: 6:30pm—Oct 3, Nov 7 Knights of Columbus—2nd Tues of mo-7:30 in Hall

Ladies Auxiliary: Oct 8, 7 pm in Hall

Pastoral Council: 1st Tues of month, 8pm, Hall

**Prayer Meeting**—Every Thurs, 7:30pm, St Philips Hall

## Announced Masses—November

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

Oct 25 & Nov 22-IMO Philip, Martha & Herbert Moloughney by Paul Moloughney

Nov 1-For the intentions of Rosemary Logan from a friend Nov 15-In memory of John Hearne by Sheila Hearn and family

#### Sunday 9am at St. Clares

Oct 26-In memory of Martin Fergus by Phil & Tilly O'Connor

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

Oct 26-In memory of John Hearne by Anna Ranieri

Nov 2-In mem Claude Jubinville by Monique Duval & family

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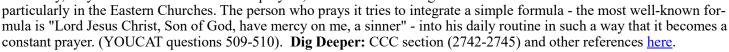
Nov 23-In memory of Dick Hudson by the family

#### Mondays, 7pm at St. Philips

Oct 27-In memory of Anita Evans by John & Birgit Evans Nov 24-In memory of Dick Hudson by Rosemary Logan

### Catechism Corner

Is it possible to pray always? Prayer is always possible. Prayer is vitally necessary. Prayer and life cannot be separated. You cannot keep God content with a few words in the morning or evening. Our life must become prayer, and our prayers must become life. Every Christian life story is also a story of prayer, one long attempt to achieve ever greater union with God. Because many Christians experience a heartfelt longing to be with God constantly, they turn to the so-called "Jesus prayer", which has been an age-old custom



**CONGRATULATIONS CATECHISM FANS! Just over 10 years ago**—on September 6, 2015— we started our weekly look at the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Over the last 525 weeks, we have examined each item in the Catechism! For those who have been following along ... CONGRATULATIONS! Why is reading the CCC a good thing to do? Because we are called to both deeper intimacy with Christ and to tell the world that Jesus is Lord. Thanks for following along!

## Please Consider Donating



Set up an E-Transfer from your bank and email to us at: WelcomeHome1819@gmail.com

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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

#### **REGULAR OFFICE HOURS:**

Tuesday 9am-1:30pm—open virtually-email or phone us Wednesday 9am-1:30pm—drop in, phone or email us Thursday 9am-1:30pm—open virtually-email or phone us

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE CAMPAIGN 'DEBT** 

CANCELLATION - Debt cancellation is not just an economic solution, it is a moral imperative rooted in scripture. All welcome: Sunday, October 26, noon to 2:00 pm. The fall 2025 D&P Turn Debt into Hope campaign workshop, being held at Holy Cross parish, 685 Walkley Road Registration: kiegan.irish@devp.org zoom feed available for our out of town members. No cost. Refreshments on site.

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION AT HOLY SPIR-

IT PARISH (formerly Catechesis of the Good Shepherd). There are still openings in sessions for 3 to 5-year-old children. Sessions are held on Wednesday,12:30pm-2:15pm and Thursday, 9:30am-11:15am. The Children's Faith Formation program (CFF) is grounded in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS). The American CGS website states: 'The catechist listens with the child and together they ask, "God, who are you? How do you love us?" The adult is with the child in the Presence of the Lord. Children are not presented a curriculum, but an opportunity to enliven and deepen the bond between God and the Child. This is done through Montessori-based methods and physical works of Catholic liturgy and Holy Scripture made available to the child. 'This is a beautiful program ... You won't be disappointed with how your children respond. If you can't get your child there, pray to find a way. It's so worth it. Tell your friends.' (Parent with children in the program) Please contact Kim at holyspiritcff@gmail.com.

#### PRAYERS FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Please pray for Caroline Acker, Fred Schubert, Peter Maitland, Fr Ruddick, Fr Bob, Gerry van Gaal, Kathleen Crozier, Glenna Leighton, MJ Wilson, Theresa Slattery, Michael Lawless, Suzanne Denis, Elizabeth van Galder, 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.

### ST PIUS X HIGH ALUMNI MASS OCT 26, 2PM

All St. Pius X High School Alumni and friends are invited to celebrate Mass at St. Maurice Church. The celebrant will be Fr. Roger Vandenakker. The mass intention will be for the repose of the soul of Mark Hough. We will also pray for all those who were impacted by the tragic 1975 shooting at St. Pius X High School.

#### 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.

## Parish Directory :

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Bulletin Deadline: Tuesdays at 12 noon **Hall Rentals:** Office (613-838-2314)

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

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**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 2025 Sacrament o/t Sick-on request,&after every Mass on last whend of month

#### **BINGO NIGHT – SATURDAY NOV 8!**

St.Philips Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a Family Fun Night on Saturday November 8th at 6pm in the Parish Hall. Come join us for a lasagna meal and an evening of Bingo. Cost is \$15/person or max \$40/family. For more information or to buy tickets contact Veronica Gervais at 791-2723, or etransfer to stphilipsladiesaux@gmail.com by Nov 5th.

#### BIBLE STUDY NEW DAY AND TIME

ALL WELCOME—NOW will be held in St Philips hall on Tuesdays from 2pm -3.30pm.

#### FIRST FRIDAY MASS NOVEMBER 7, 6:30PM

Mass begins at 6:30pm, followed by a holy hour of adoration from 7-8pm. The sacrament of Reconciliation is available during this time.

#### MASSES OF REMEMBRANCE FOR MISCARRIAGE AND INFANT LOSS

Throughout the month of October, Masses of Remembrance will be held across our archdiocese for children lost through miscarriage or in infancy. These Masses are an opportunity to entrust to the Lord our children who have gone home to his arms.

While each Mass differs slightly according to the hosting parish, you will find consistent elements. Names of children, submitted to us through our online form, will be honoured at the beginning of each Mass. Attendees will also be invited to take home a vase of flowers as a keepsake, along with prayer and scripture cards.

You are welcome to submit your child's name regardless of whether or not you can join us for a Mass. Scroll down the page to submit using our online form, or visit the Woven diocesan page (WOVEN – Miscarriage and Infant Loss - Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall) for resources and other Mass dates. All welcome:

The Holy Redeemer Parish Mass will be held on October 25, 2025, at 9am, followed by a light reception

The Holy Spirit Parish Mass will be held on October 25, 2025, at 10am, followed by a light reception.



"Smelling these crayons makes me think of school and Mrs. Clarke!"

### Ministries:

St Philip Ministries:	
Pastoral Council-Fr Bob Poole	838-2314
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Ladies Auxiliary – Ronalda McKenna	

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