



MASSES OF THE WEEK

† This symbol signifies repose of the soul.

Sunday, April 27

Second Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish
10:30 a.m. For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

†Rosemary Slaney, by Madonna Slaney.
In gratitude to the Passion of Christ,
by Jeannette of Nazareth.

Tuesday, April 29

St. Catherine of Siena

9:00 a.m. ---

Wednesday, April 30

St. Marie de L'Incarnation

9:00 a.m. †For the souls in Purgatory.

Thursday, May 1

9:00 a.m. ---

Friday, May 2

St. Athanasius

9:00 a.m. ---

Saturday, May 3

St. Philip and St. James

4:30 p.m. †Wayne Quan, by the family.
For the protection of Canada and for the well-being of all its citizens, by a parishioner.

Sunday, May 4

Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. For the parishioners of St. Theresa Parish
10:30 a.m. For the intentions of the Handmaids of the Lord.

†Leo Desmarteau, by the family.
†John Poirier on the 34th anniversary of his death,
by Kathleen Lynch.
†Leona Laporte, by Madonna Slaney.
In memory of Beki, on the anniversary of his passing, from the Minic family.
For the soul of Chona Diaz, by Elisa Diaz.

Please remember the sick in your prayers:

Michelle Boyer, Baby Ivy Murray, Nickie Shaw, Marie-Andrée Boyer, Patricia McNamara, Rachel McIntyre, Zygmunt Wysocki, Linda MacNay, Theresa Tam-Sue, Alice Hilchie, Lily Harmon, Debby MacAdam, Michael Budge, Robby Felteau, Lise Campbell, Elaine Taylor, Wanda Staples, Judette & Marie, Marilyn & Jim Donoghue, Aline Lafleur Raymond.

Vocation Prayer:

That those the Lord is calling to be a priest, deacon, or consecrated brother or sister will listen to Him, and proclaim His name, we pray to the Lord.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION

For working conditions ~ Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
(Year C)**

First Reading: Acts 5.12-16

Second Reading: Revelation 1.9-11a, 12-13, 17-19

Gospel: John 20.19-31



Lectors & Commentators

Saturday, May 3

4:30 p.m. Marisa Fusaro

Sunday, May 4

9:00 p.m. George Hack

10:30 p.m. Barbara Rawdan

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday, May 3

4:30 p.m. -

Sunday, May 4

9:00 p.m. -

10:30 p.m. -

IN MEMORY OF POPE FRANCIS

This Sunday April the 27th the Sunday Mass will be dedicated to the repose of the soul of the holy father, Pope Francis, at 10:30AM. Long live the Pope. All are welcome to attend.

25 JUBILEE FACTS

14. Commitment to Peace

The Jubilee calls for a renewed commitment to peace. Pope Francis encourages Catholics to advocate for diplomacy, reconciliation, and an end to violence, becoming agents of change in a divided world.

UNANNOUNCED MASSES NOTE

Some parishioners have given unannounced Mass intentions. These Masses are definitely said as "intention of the donor". These unannounced Masses will be said whenever there is no announced Mass in the bulletin. Only announced Masses are published in the bulletin.

SAINT OF THE DAY: SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI OCTOBER 4

Giovanni di Pietro di Bernardone, known as Francis of Assisi, was an [Italian mystic](#), poet and [Catholic friar](#) who founded the religious order of the [Franciscans](#). Inspired to lead a [Christian](#) life of poverty, he became a [beggar](#) and [itinerant preacher](#).

One of the most venerated figures in Christianity, Francis was canonized by [Pope Gregory IX](#) on 16 July 1228. He is commonly portrayed wearing a brown [habit](#) with a rope tied around his waist, featuring three knots symbolizing the three Franciscan vows of [poverty](#), [chastity](#) and [obedience](#).

On a [pilgrimage](#) to Rome, he joined the poor in begging at [St. Peter's Basilica](#).¹ He spent some time in lonely places, asking God for [divine illumination](#). He said he had a mystical [vision of Jesus Christ](#) in the forsaken country chapel of [San Damiano](#), just outside Assisi, in which the [Icon of Christ Crucified](#) said to him, "Francis, Francis, go and repair My church which, as you can see, is falling into ruins."

Francis is associated with patronage of animals and the [environment](#). It became customary for churches to hold ceremonies blessing animals on his [feast day](#) of the fourth of October, which became [World Animal Day](#). He was noted for his devotion to the [Eucharist](#). Along with [Catherine of Siena](#), he was chosen as the patron saint of Italy. He is also considered the patron against dying alone, against fire, patron of the [Franciscan Order](#) and [Catholic Action](#) of families, peace and needleworkers.. He is also the namesake of the city of [San Francisco](#).

On 13 March 2013, upon his [election](#) as Pope, Archbishop and [Cardinal](#) Jorge Mario Bergoglio of [Argentina](#) chose Francis as his [papal name](#) in honor of Francis of Assisi, becoming [Pope Francis](#). At his first audience on 16 March 2013, Pope Francis told journalists that he had chosen the name in honor of Francis of Assisi because of his concern for the poor. The pontiff recounted that Cardinal [Cláudio Hummes](#) had told him, "Don't forget the poor", right after the election and that made Bergoglio think of Francis. It is the first time a pope has taken the name

ON THE MOVE AGAIN

Come along for the ride. Join us on Saturday May 24 for our next adventure. We will travel to the quaint village of Merrickville along the Rideau locks and then journey to Kingston for an open air market, a walk along the waterfront and a peek at some historic buildings. End the visit to Kingston visiting the breathtaking St Mary Cathedral for 5:00 mass. \$40.

QUO VADIS

Is the Lord calling you to serve him as a priest? Join other men discerning the priesthood for monthly formation, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration. Each night will be held at the new Café des Tours, located in the basement of Notre Dame Cathedral in Ottawa.

To join the Quo Vadis email list or for more information, contact Fr. Connor O'Hara, the Vocations Director for the diocese, at vocations@ottawacornwall.ca.

DIOCESAN RECEPTION

Our Archbishop launches vision for our diocese

- Go Out—to step beyond our comfort zones and reach those on the margins.
- Go Deep—to deepen our relationship with Christ and grow in our faith.
- Go Together—to walk in unity, sharing in the work of serving others.

The Archbishop's Reception will take place on Thursday, May 15th, 2025, at the Infinity Convention Centre, 2901 Gibford Dr, Ottawa. The evening will begin with cocktails at 6:00pm, followed by the reception at 7:00pm. We will reflect on the progress of our archdiocese and share stories of hope, renewal, and faith. There will be delicious finger foods, canapés, and cocktails throughout the evening to foster conversation and camaraderie. The cost for attendance is \$65.00 per person, which will help offset the evening's costs. To reserve your tickets please call the office at 613 235 5119.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

St. Theresa Parish will be hosting a Marriage Preparation Course on Friday evening, May 2, 2025, and all-day Saturday, May 3, 2025. The cost is \$150 per couple and the course will be held in the parish hall.

For more information or to register for the course, please contact the parish office at 613-235-5119 or email Denver.McKee@Ottawacornwall.ca.

EMPTY YOUR POCKETS

Some data from the 2024 report of the Ottawa Food Bank:

- 2.4M meals served at locations across the city
- 39% of visitors are children
- 20,000 volunteer hours kept the food centres running
- 98% revenue to the food bank comes from the community

The need is greater than ever. Our monthly collection for the Centretown Good Centre will be next weekend, April 26/27. The contributions for January and February were \$277.65 and \$225.20. Thank you so much for your generous support.