

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

"These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you,"

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, April 13, 5:00 p.m. Mass - For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's
Sunday, April 14, 9:30 a.m. Mass + For the Soul of Keith Thompson by Alice DeSouza – Joseph and Family
+ For the Soul of Jack Smith by Paula Smith and Family
+ For the Soul of Dorothy Riemer by Paula Smith and Family
+ For the Soul of Leonardo Tomalon Sr. by his Family
11:00 a.m. Mass - For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's
Monday of Easter, April 15, No Mass
Tuesday of Easter, April 16 - No Mass
Wednesday of Easter, April 17, 8:30 a.m. Mass – Memorial of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Thursday of Easter, April 18, 8:30 a.m. Mass
Friday of Easter, April 19, 8:30 a.m. Mass
Saturday of Easter, April 20 - 5:00 p. m. Mass - For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's
For men and women called by the Lord to be priests, deacons and consecrated religious
Sunday, April 21, Fourth Sunday of Easter – World Day of Prayers for Vocations
9:30 a.m. Mass – For men and women called by the Lord to be priests, deacons and consecrated religious
11:00 a.m. Mass - For world peace, the poor and the Parishioners of St. Peter's
For men and women called by the Lord to be priests, deacons and consecrated religious

THIRD OF EASTER REFLECTION: Before it concludes, the Gospel of Luke this weekend gives us an account of the appearance of Jesus to the eleven in Jerusalem and his departure from them. The two disciples who had met Jesus on the road to Emmaus have given their report. Nevertheless, when Jesus appears, the disciples are still slow to believe. They were not gullible individuals, easily deceived. They struggle to comprehend what they are seeing. Jesus demonstrates the reality of his risen body. Though transformed, he appears to them in bodily form. Jesus teaches them, as he taught the two disciples on the road, that the Scriptures can help them to grasp what has happened. The writings of the Law, Prophets and Psalms have been fulfilled. Israel's hopes and dreams of salvation have been realised. The challenge of faith invites all people to embrace a new life. The disciples are sent out as witnesses to the world. The story of the spread of the gospel begins, and still continues today. The good news of Christ Risen must be told to all, beginning from Jerusalem and extending to the ends of the earth. Do we realise that faith is seeking to come to know the Risen Lord more fully day by day? Do we strive for a love and deeper understanding of the Holy Scriptures? Let us pray that the whole Church may be renewed in this Easter season. Let us pray for the mission of the Church to the world of today.

QUO VADIS? Where are you going? Is the Lord calling you to serve him as a priest? Join other men discerning the priesthood for monthly formation, fellowship, and Eucharistic Adoration. The next session will be held on April 18, 2024, 7:00 p.m. 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

Collection – April 6 – 7, 2024: Envelopes: \$2, 025.50, Loose: \$386.40; Clergy Support: \$645.00; St. Vincent de Paul: \$150.00; Vigil Lights: \$60.00; Nigerian Community: \$250.00; Vocation Works: \$270.00; Easter Collection: \$5.00; Grand Total: \$3, 841.90.

THANK YOU for your generosity and support.

2024: REGISTRATION AND PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENTS OF FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION IS NOW OPEN. Parents who wish to have their child(ren) prepare for any of these Sacraments are invited to a Parents in formation meeting here at the Church on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m. The Sacramental preparation retreat classes for all the Sacraments will be led by the Queenship of Mary Sisters, on Saturday, May 5, 2024 from 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. here at the church.

AN EVENING WITH DEANTHA EDMUNDS: The Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall has extended the early bird price for the Deantha Edmunds concert taking place on April 19 at Notre-Dame Cathedral Basilica. This will be an evening of beautiful music that you don't want to miss. Go to [IRFconcert.eventbrite.ca](https://irfconcert.eventbrite.ca) for details and to buy your tickets or you can contact Ruth at 613-933-1138, ext. 22 or ruth.tyolarose@ottawacornwall.ca. The proceeds of the concert are to benefit the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS April 2024: For the role of Women, We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Action Life – 33rd Hike for Life: Saturday, April 27th, Our parish Rep. will be Mr. James Wilson of this parish, who will be participating in this five kilometer walk this year and he will have pledge sheets in back of the church area or in the main entrance of the church, starting this weekend for those who wish to sponsor his participation. Pledge sheets will also be available for those who wish to participate. The 9:00 am Hike begins and ends at St. Theresa's C.C., 95 Somerset Street. downtown.

GENESIS: AN ART SHOW: On April 28, 11am-5pm, come explore and celebrate Earth Day through art the beauty of God, the Creator, and his creation at Genesis: The Palette of Creation. Hosted by the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall at the Café Des Tours, Notre Dame Cathedral, 385 Sussex Dr., the show will feature local artists with a focus on creation and how we find God through it. If you are a local artist and would like to submit your work for the show (a few spots left beyond deadline advertised), email Mireille Church.

May 7 – 10, Pro-Life Week: May 7 - Songs for Life Coffee House, 7pm, St. Mary's Church Hall. Free admission but free will offering, Baby item drive. May 8 - Candlelight Vigil, 9:00 pm Human Right's Monument, Mass at 7:30 pm, St. Theresa's Parish May 9 10:00 am—Pro-Life Mass, Notre Dame Cathedral 10:00 am—Pro-Life Mass, St. Patrick's Basilica 12:30 pm—Rally on Parliament Hill 1:30 pm—March through downtown Ottawa See full Ottawa schedule: <https://marchforlife.ca/2024-week-at-aglance/>

Solemn Vespers, for the Feast of Saint George, Tue. Apr. 23 6:00 pm, St. George's Parish, 415 Piccadilly Ave. N.: Presided by Parish Pastor: Msgr. Hans Feichtinger. The event is organized by Fr. Andrew Taylor (Apostolic Nunciature) with the Ottawa Chant group

SPRING PRAYER: Father, teach me, in this season of renewal and rebirth to welcome the changes You bring. Whether sun or storm, show me Your hand tilling the fertile soil of my heart. Awaken in me the joy of new life after these long winter months, that I might sing Your praises with the rest of creation. And may the seed of love and compassion You plant grow to a bounteous harvest in my life. Amen.