

January 20, 2019

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sun.,	Jan. 20 th	3:00 pm	Ecumenical Prayer Service in the Cathedral
Tue.,	Jan. 22 nd	6:00 pm	R.C.I.A. (in Rectory Meeting Room)
Wed.,	Jan. 23 rd	7:00 pm	10:30 am Mass Choir rehearsal
Thur.,	Jan. 24 th	6:00 pm	8:30 am Mass Choir rehearsal
Sat.,	Jan. 26 th	8:00 am	Men for Spiritual Fitness Prayer Meeting
Sun.,	Jan. 27 th		C.W.L. Membership Weekend (all Masses)



Bishop Colli's Schedule

January 26 and 27: All Masses at St. Elizabeth Church

GRIEF SUPPORT WINTER SESSIONS



- ◆ Begins on Sun., Feb. 3rd
- ◆ Free Sessions for 6 weeks;
- ◆ For adults who have lost loved ones to death within the last 2 years.
- ◆ Call NOW to register - 622-5389.

We thank all who have purchased advertising spaces on the back cover of our new Sunday Bulletin. You make possible the printing of our bulletin!



Our thanks to the Catholic Women's League for their \$6, 000. donation from the proceeds of this year's Parish Bazaar. As per their request, these funds will be set aside to purchase a new statue of St. Anne, Patroness of grandparents and secondary Patroness of Canada.

Coffee Sunday: Next Weekend



We thank *Tim Horton's* (Waterloo) for the coffee and *the Roussin Family* for serving it at the 10:30 am Mass and *Cheryl DeLorenzi & David Ronchi* for making and serving it at our 8:30 am Mass. If you can help please call 622-5389.

FIRST COMMUNION CLASSES FOR 2019



Class Dates: March 3rd, 17th, 24th and 31st,
April 7th, 14th and 28th.

No Classes on: March 10th and April 21st.

For more information, a letter will be sent this month to the families of the children by the teachers, Pam & Mara.

Parents Meeting/Rehearsal: Wed., May 1st at 7 pm

First Confession: May 4th First Communion: May 5th



Hamper Sunday on January 27th

Our gifts will help the St. Agnes 'St. Vincent de Paul Society'

CHRISTIANS PRAYING TOGETHER THIS SUNDAY!

Our annual Ecumenical 'Prayer Service' will be held this Sunday afternoon, January 20th at 3:00 pm.

The parishioners and clergy of First-Wesley United, St. Andrew's Prebyterian, St. Paul's Anglican, and St. Patrick's Cathedral will join together in the Cathedral this year to pray.

Please come and join us!



YOU WERE ASKING by Msgr. P. Stilla

Q. As a child I was taught to never attend a ceremony or service that was held in a non-Catholic Christian Church. Why do we now encourage our people to attend 'Ecumenical' Prayer Services together with Christians of other denominations and invite them to our Cathedral?

A. As children we were taught many good things. Sometimes, though, some of those teachings were detrimental to our overall outlook on life despite the fact that

also by non-Catholic Christians who had left the Church. These Reformers prohibited their own members from attending Catholic Services as well for fear that those who had left

they were often taught by well-intentioned parents, teachers, and Catholic priests and sisters. The prohibition of which you speak was one of those detrimental teachings. As you say, many of us were taught that participation in ceremonies held in Churches of other Christian denominations were not only forbidden but also, gravely sinful. This kind of erroneous teaching which spread through the Catholic world during



the Renaissance, was a reaction to the Protestant Reformation of 1529. Many believed that if Catholics attended non-Catholic church services, they might be tempted to abandon their Catholic Faith just as the Reformers did. Presumed suspicions of sinister motives and historical prejudices also fuelled this fear.

'Fear Reaction' on Both Sides
Ironically this mind-set of fear was not only espoused by Catholics but

the Church at the Reformation would be enticed or tricked into returning to their former Catholic Church Faith.

Still Lingerin
What is disturbing is that some of these fear-inspired and suspicions regarding other Faiths still linger among some of the followers of Christ to this day. However the vast majority of Christians now realize that we are called to pray and work together in a spirit of unity and mutual respect. We call this

new movement, 'Ecumenism'. The Catholic Church Teaches The Church at the Second Vatican Council in 1965 officially taught:

"Under the inspiring grace of the Holy Spirit, efforts are being made in prayer, word and action to attain that fullness of unity which Christ desires.

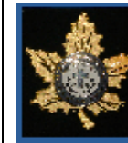
This Council exhorts all Catholics to recognize the signs of the times and to take an active part in the work of Ecumenism".



Catholic Women's League

Membership Weekend

Our annual C.W.L. Membership Weekend takes place next Saturday evening and Sunday morning (Jan. 26 & 27). All members are asked to wear their scarves and/or pins to all the Masses next weekend.



Cathedral Maple Leaf Pin Recipients *(updated)*

Since 1980, the following Cathedral Parishioners have been awarded the Maple Leaf Pin: Aldeane Salini, Betty Kallos, Rose Marie DeGagné, Elsie Off, Janet Tribe, Evelyn Wilson, Joyce Swoboda, Joleene Kemp, Pat Filipovic, Janet Murphy, Laura Booth, Cathie Vass, Stella Hogan, Linda West, Ruth Mayor, Colleen Martin, Monica Osadec, Pam Brusadin, Therese Lim, Joan Joubert, Joanne Floen and Lisa Posmituk We thank them and all the members for their outstanding service.



Knights of Columbus



Volunteers Appreciation Dinner & Dance

Thursday, January 31, 2019.

Pick up your free tickets by Thurs., Jan. 24th at the Centre.



Men's Group

Next Gathering
January 26th at 8:00 am

in our Rectory Meeting Room

For more information, call: Doug McClure (708-4143).