

# ST. LAWRENCE O'TOOLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## **PASTOR**

Rev. Patrick M. Dobec, P.P.

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

28 June 2020

Let us pray . . .

For the Diocese as we receive our New Bishop that blessings will shower on us.

For those who seek healing . . . especially those suffering from Covid-19, those undergoing treatment and those experiencing any form of anxiety and suffering at this time.

For peace in Canada and that our beloved country will be committed to promoting the wellbeing of all citizens.

For those who have died and left this transitory life . . . especially for the repose souls of Teresa Margaret (Etmanskie) Sullivan and all the victims of violence, pandemic, Covid-19 individuals .  
Requiescant in Pace!

# CELEBRATION OF MASS

Thursday	4:00 p.m.	Apollonian Dombroskie by Rosemarie Recoskie Intentions of all graduates
Friday	Private	St. Columkille Cathedral, Pembroke Installation of Bishop Guy Desrochers, C.Ss.R.

(ROSARY IS USUALLY RECITED 25 MINUTES BEFORE ALL WEEKDAY MASS & SATURDAY VIGIL MASS)

## 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 5 July 2020

Saturday	4:30 p.m.	Teresa Margaret Sullivan by Friends Barbara Hyde by Nicholas Brown
Sunday	9:30 am	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for all the People)

Sacrament of Penance (Confessions) – Saturdays at 3:45 – 4:15 p.m. in the Crying Room at the entrance of the Church and weekday in sacristy before all masses.

GRATITUDE – I am so impressed with the manner many parishioners have stepped up with their expertise and organized the church for a safe celebration of Mass. Yesterday I walked into the church after weekday Mass and it was already sanitized and secured. At this time of our history this takes many generous people to provide our ministries and I am so grateful to you. May God continue to bless you for all your sanitizing to keep us all safe.

**Registered Households 180**  
**Last Sunday's Offering \$2868.00**

**68 Household Envelopes & 5 E-transfers: \$2518.00**  
**Building Fund: \$65.00**

**Visitor: \$90.00**  
**Seminary: \$155.00**

**Loose: \$25.00**  
**Easter: \$15.00**

Reflect upon leaving an extraordinary legacy Gift: Have the foresight and consider making a bequest to St. Lawrence O'Toole Parish through your will and ensure that future generations continue to have a home to celebrate our Christian Faith.

"Planning for end of life on earth is an expression of acceptance, trust and faith in the Resurrection"

CHRONICLE FROM BISHOP GUY DESROCHERS C.Ss.R. - To read Bishop Desrochers' periodic chronicles of spiritual guidance on the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall website <https://catholicottawa.ca/bishop-guys-chronicle> . May 21<sup>st</sup> , Evangelizing the Distant, and this week: To Forgive 70 times 7 times? Watch his video presentation on Obedience: submission or virtue?

**A MESSAGE FROM SISTER PAULINE COULTERMAN, C.S.J. ASKING FOR SUPPORT AND PRAYERS:**

Sunday was a special reminder of the challenges facing the people of Peru, their resilience in the face of this time of the COVID-19 pandemic and their faith-filled response as a people. The cases continue to increase with the current number of confirmed cases today at 229,736 and, sadly, with 6688 deaths. The sisters living in Peru tell us that there is a new crisis emerging. The hunger caused by the coronavirus pandemic is feared more than the disease itself. To add to the complexity, Peru has two experiences of displacement:

- i. Internal displacement of more than 165,000 people who have requested humanitarian transfers in attempts to leave Lima and return to their hometowns due to job losses, and
- ii. Hundreds of thousands of Venezuelan refugees in Peru who do not even receive the financial support offered to the Peruvian people by the Government.

On Sunday (and the previous Thursday), Corpus Christi was celebrated in a most unusual manner. For the people in the region of Eten – Reque – Monsefu – Puerto Eten, there was a Corpus Christi procession led by Father Lute (the parish priest) in a vehicle driving through the four communities. The procession passed our Convent in Puerto Eten. Sisters Alice, Mildred and Rosali were at the door to welcome it and to be blessed Father Lute. In the capital of Lima, Archbishop Carlos Castillo presided over the Liturgy for Corpus Christi with the inclusion of the mourning for those who have died from COVID-19. He invited family members and loved ones to send in photographs of those who had died. They received 5000 photographs which were placed in the pews and on the columns of the Cathedral. In his homily, Archbishop Castillo said, "An even harder moment is coming. It would be terrible if in the times to come we have thousands of these photos – but dead of hunger." We thank God for the resilience and the faith of the people of Peru. We ask God to be with them on this terrible journey, holding them in healing and in love. We thank our Sisters for their heartfelt ministry of Mercy in Peru. We assure them of the prayers.

THE ACADEMIC YEAR IS NOW OVER OFFICIALLY – Our prayers and best wishes to students, teachers and family members who have adapted to the challenges of recent months. Congratulations to those students graduating. While the usual ceremonies and customs of such a time are not possible this year, we pray that your future endeavours will be blessed.

CANADA DAY – JULY 1

July 1<sup>st</sup> is celebrated as Canada's birthday. Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world, and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian principles and attitudes. Christians, realizing they do not have a lasting home here, should pray and work for justice and peace in Canada and throughout the world, so that all God's people may share in the goods of this earth. God's kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ's teaching guide and rule their lives and actions.

STATEMENT ON ALKALINE HYDROLYSIS  
BY THE COMMISSION FOR DOCTRINE OF THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

The death and resurrection of Christ is the heart of the Christian faith. Christians live in hope that after death, we will share in Christ's bodily resurrection (cf. Rm 6:5). This is why the Church has always taken pains to ensure that the burial of the dead – one of the corporal works of mercy – reflects this faith in the resurrection of the body. The dignity accorded to the bodies of the deceased – including the method of their disposition – is not only a proclamation of our faith in the importance and value of the human body but is of great importance in the process of grief and healing for the bereaved.

In recent decades, the practice of flame-based bodily cremation has increased in our country to the point that it is now more popular than traditional burial. Although the Church prefers traditional burial as the clearest representation of Christian hope in the resurrection, it does not object to cremation, provided it is not chosen for reasons contrary to Christian teaching. In recent years, however, new forms of bodily disposition have been developed, specific among them alkaline hydrolysis, in which the body of the deceased is placed in a metal cylinder and dissolved in a chemical bath, leaving only bone fragments similar to those resulting from cremation. The resulting diffluent is then flushed into the local sewer system, while the remaining bone fragments are dried, ground and placed in an urn for the family of the deceased, as is the case with cremation.

The process of alkaline hydrolysis is currently being marketed as a "green" and ecologically friendly alternative to cremation, since it consumes less energy and does not release toxic chemicals into the atmosphere. However, the claim that it is ecologically superior is currently disputed. It is now available in a growing number of Canadian provinces.

Our research leads this Commission to the opinion that alkaline hydrolysis does not manifest adequate respect for the dignity of the human body as proclaimed by the faith of the Church. This is primarily due to the fact that, apart from bone residue, the remnants of the entire body are disposed of in the sewer system. It is further compounded by the fact that, in the operation of certain alkaline hydrolysis machines, the machine operator may first be required to puncture or crush the skull of the deceased in order to ensure the complete digestion of soft tissues. This adds another indignity to the body.

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**PARISH REGISTRATION - ( Households who have not registered or a change of address, phone or email )**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Members of Household: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Envelopes: Do you need envelopes  yes  no (Drop this into the collection basket or office, thank you)

We encourage all households to register for many reasons for our future