

## **Saint Lawrence O'Toole Parish**

Barry's Bay; 19450 Opeongo Line

## **Holy Canadian Martyrs Parish**

Combermere; 2797 Dafoe Rd.

## **Saint Francis de Sales Mission**

Latchford Bridge; 4864 Palmer Rd.



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# ✠ Pentecost Sunday ✠

*May 24, 2026*

**TODAY'S FEAST:** By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost, Christ's Paschal Mystery was brought to its completion. The Holy Spirit prepares us with his grace in order to draw us to Christ. He manifests the Risen Lord to us, opening our minds. He makes present the mystery of Christ. And he reconciles us, bringing us into communion with God. Saint Thomas Aquinas says that the Holy Spirit interiorly perfects our spirit, communicating to it a new dynamism so that it more readily refrains from evil while inclined more readily for love. With the Holy Spirit within us, "it is quite natural for people who had been absorbed by the things of this world to become entirely otherworldly in outlook, and for cowards to become people of great courage" (*Saint Cyril of Alexandria*).

The Mystery of the Lord's Ascension signals that our bodies are destined to participate in the eternal glory and communion of the Father and Son in the Holy Spirit. The Mystery of Pentecost is not so much the descent of the Holy Spirit on us as it is the Spirit's causing in us – body and soul – the experience of knowing that our humanity has indeed ascended in Christ and into the eternal exchange of Love between the Father and Son, who is the Holy Spirit.

**60TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION:** We will be celebrating Fr. Wilfried Lenius' 60th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ on Sunday, June 7th with Mass at 9:00 a.m. in Holy Canadian Martyrs Church followed by an informal reception at George Vanier School. Everyone is welcome.

## Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

May 25 – May 30

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>SLO</b>	(with <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions</i> ) 9:00 a.m. + Tony Yantha by <i>John &amp; Ursula Jeffrey</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>HCM</b>	9:00 a.m. + All Deceased Family & Friends by <i>Jeanine</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>HCM</b>	9:00 a.m. + Dr. Denise Coulas by <i>Kathy Neskovic</i>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>SLO</b>	9:00 a.m. + Shaun O'Malley by <i>Daniel &amp; Patsy O'Malley</i> Intentions of Charles Bird by <i>Nick Family</i>

## + The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity +

May 31, 2026

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>SLO</b>	4:00 p.m. + Veronica O'Reilly by <i>Family</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>SFds</b>	(with the recitation of the <i>Most Holy Rosary before Mass</i> ) 6:00 p.m. + McGregor Madigan <i>by Bernard &amp; Marie Malone &amp; Family</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>HCM</b>	9:00 a.m. + Etta Yaraskavitch by <i>Dan &amp; Lenore Potvin</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>SLO</b>	10:30 a.m. Mass for the People

<b>Liturgical Appointments</b>	<b>SLO May 30</b>	<b>SLO May 31</b>
Readings	<i>Jane Beahen</i>	<i>Beverly Glofcheskie</i>
Communion	<i>Neil O'Reilly</i>	<i>Terry Recoskie</i>
Offertory	<i>Bruce Sullivan</i>	<i>John Jeffrey</i>
	<i>Richard Luckasavitch</i>	<i>Jamie Prince</i>

<b>Liturgical Appointments</b>	<b>SFds May 30</b>	<b>HCM May 31</b>
Readings	<i>Linda Madigan</i>	<i>Joseph Baklinski</i>
Communion		<i>Jerome Anderchek</i>
Offertory		<i>Jerome Yarascavitch</i>

### ROMAN CALENDAR:

Monday	- Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Tuesday	- St. Philip Neri, priest
Wednesday	- St. Augustine of Canterbury, bishop
Friday	- St. Paul VI, pope

## **IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:**

- that every believer may experience a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit and be empowered to live out their Christian faith with courage, fervour and joy.
- for Emmett William Lubnevskis, son of Juris Lubnevskis and Kasey Madigan, recently baptized at Saint Francis de Sales “in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit”: that he may grow in faith and love as a member of the Body of Christ.
- for parishioners and friends who are sick: *Patricia Duggan, Judy Sauro, Carmel Rumleskie.*
- for those who have died, especially: *Sister Rosenda Brady CSJ, Kim (Murray) Maika, David Peplinskie.*

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** *The grace we receive in Confession not only heals our sins and restores us in our friendship with God — it strengthens us to forgive others with the Divine Mercy we ourselves have received.*

**SLO:** Saturday 3:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. in sacristy. Weekdays – before/after weekday Masses in the sacristy.

**HCM:** Before all weekday and weekend Masses.

**SFdS:** After Mass

## **HCM WEEKLY EXPOSITION OF THE EUCHARIST - ADORATION CHAPEL:**

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 a.m. -- 4:00 p.m.

**HCM:** “**THE SEARCH**” on Wednesdays until June 10th, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at George Vanier Catholic School, Combermere. This innovative video series and discussion time reflects upon questions of every human heart. Next topics: *Who is Jesus? Am I Saved? Why A Church?* For information, contact Greg or Mary at 613-756-6643, [gmdoyle39@gmail.com](mailto:gmdoyle39@gmail.com)

**HCM GARDENS:** Our sincere thanks to Mary Murphy and Jeanine Peloso, who have generously volunteered to tend our parish gardens.

**HCM CWL:** To date, no one has stepped forward to serve as Madame President. This leadership role is critical for the continued life, mission, and stability of our CWL council. Without someone willing to take on this responsibility, the work and witness of our council cannot continue as it has. If you feel even a small prompting to consider this role, please reach out. Your “yes” at this moment is truly needed.

**HCM- BANCROFT PREGNANCY CARE CENTRE** will hold their **ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER** beginning on Mother’s Day, Sunday, May 10, 2026. If you wish to support them with your “change,” baby bottles will be available at the entrance. For more information, contact Shirley Radey at 613-756-2096. (3)

## **LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:**

**SLO:** Total: \$3,016.00 (Envelopes: \$1,890.00; Loose: \$201.00; Visitors: \$60.00; E-transfers: \$140.00; Building Fund: \$20.00; Pope's Works: \$205.00; Donation: \$500)  
**HCM:** Total: \$2,150.00 (Envelopes: \$880.00; Loose: \$160.00; Visitors: \$110.00; E-Transfers: \$390.00; Pope's Pastoral: \$110.00; Donation: \$500.00)  
**SFds:** Total: \$5,924.00 (Envelopes: \$234.00; Loose: \$70.00; Visitors: \$30.00; Donation: \$5,550.00; Pope's Works: \$40.00)

*Thank you for your consistent financial support which enables us to have a church and community for worship, education and outreach.*

**SUMMER COTTAGE PARISHIONERS:** We warmly welcome back all our seasonal parishioners and hope you enjoy another wonderful summer in our beautiful corner of God's creation. A gentle reminder: if you use offertory envelopes, please stop by the entrance table to pick up your box. If your box is not there and you would like envelopes, kindly call or email the parish office. Your contributions are sincerely appreciated and are vital in helping us meet our ongoing parish expenses. Thank you for your faithful support.

**CELEBRATING 100 YEARS:** Join the Grey Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of Pembroke to celebrate a Century of service among God's People at Grey Sisters Caritas Residence 215 Deacon Street, Pembroke, on Saturday, September 12, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (2)

**"O CANADA":** Although our national anthem was not formally written as a prayer, its earliest versions carried a distinctly devotional tone rooted in their Catholic origin, having been composed in 1880 for the Saint-Jean-Baptiste Day celebration. By the early 20th century, English-speaking Canadians often sang it with a prayerful spirit, especially the line "God keep our land glorious and free!". Because of this prayer-hymn character, it is fitting to sing the anthem after the final blessing at Mass on or near Victoria Day, Canada Day, and Remembrance Day as a way for the parish community to give thanks for our country and commend its leaders and people to God's care.

**VALLEY MANOR ROCKATHON:** St. Francis Valley Healthcare Foundation will be hosting on Friday, June 1. Proceeds will go toward local healthcare needs, including much needed equipment at the Valley Manor. More information email at [office@sfvhfoundation.com](mailto:office@sfvhfoundation.com).

**A MEMORIAL MASS FOR SISTER ROSENDA BRADY CSJ** will be celebrated at St. Lawrence O'Toole Church on Friday June 12 at 11:00 a.m. After the Mass, the Catholic Women's League will be hosting a reception in the church hall.