

Saint Lawrence O'Toole Parish

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✠ **Sixth Sunday of Easter** ✠

May 10, 2026

NOVENA FOR PENTECOST: To fruitfully celebrate the feast commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete, upon the Church, prepare with **nine days of prayer** beginning this coming Friday. This Novena enters into the Mystery of the Upper Room, where the Twelve Apostles and the Blessed Virgin Mary prayed together for nine days until the Holy Spirit descended upon them on the Feast of Pentecost. This biblical event is recounted in Acts of the Apostles 1:12–2:5. The following traditional prayer is recommended:

**Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.**

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

R./ And You shall renew the face of the earth.

**O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit,
did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
grant that by the same Holy Spirit
we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations.
Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.**

The grace of Pentecost is the outpouring of the Holy Spirit who transforms, indwells, and empowers the Church — the definitive gift that makes her the living Body of Christ and strengthens her for Christ's mission.

~ **Sixth Week of Easter** ~

May 11 – May 16

Tuesday	SLO	(with <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions</i>) 9:00 a.m. Intentions of all Nurses by <i>Ted & Liz Murray</i> + Brian Rumleskie & Evelyn Rumleskie by <i>Eddie & Diane Etmanskie</i>
Wednesday	HCM	9:00 a.m. + Nathian Burchat by <i>Ben & Helen Burchat</i>
Thursday	HCM	9:00 a.m. + Rob Huttinga by <i>Joseph & Kristan Hamon</i>
Friday	SLO	9:00 a.m. + Tom & Diane Smaglinski by <i>Maxine Smaglinski</i> Intentions of Charles Bird by <i>Nick Family</i>

+ **The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord** +

May 17, 2026

Saturday	SLO	4:00 p.m. + Barbara Kuiack & Deceased Family Members by <i>Family</i>
Saturday	SFds	(with the recitation of the <i>Most Holy Rosary before Mass</i>) 6:00 p.m. + Patrick & Mamie Madigan by <i>Bernard & Marie Malone & Family</i>
Sunday	HCM	9:00 a.m. + Alphonse Brotton by <i>Gerard Brotton</i>
Sunday	SLO	10:30 a.m. Mass for the People

Liturgical Appointments	SLO May 16	SLO May 17
Readings	<i>Karen Yakabuski</i>	<i>Ursula Jeffrey</i>
Communion	<i>Maxine Smaglinski</i>	<i>Pierre-Paul Filion</i>
Offertory	<i>Bruce Sullivan</i>	<i>Paul Rivett-Carnac</i>
	<i>Barry Dombroskie</i>	<i>Greg Kelly</i>
Liturgical Appointments	SFds May 16	HCM May 17
Readings	<i>Dorothy Byrnes</i>	<i>Maria Henry</i>
Communion		<i>Patricia Maika</i>
Offertory		<i>Dennis Stamplecoskie</i>

ROMAN CALENDAR:

Monday	- St. John I, pope, martyr
Wednesday	- St. Bernardine of Siena, priest
Thursday	- St. Christopher Magallanes, priest & Companions, martyrs & St. Eugene de Mazenod, bishop
Friday	- St. Rita of Cascia, religious

+ **May the Living God bless mothers everywhere this day.** +

IN YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE REMEMBER:

- for all mothers: that the Lord who first entrusted the gift of life to their care may bless them with strength, tenderness, and joy; that He may console those who mourn, sustain those who struggle, and reward with eternal peace the mothers who have gone before us.
- for parishioners and friends who are sick: *Judy Sauro, Carmel Rumleskie*
- for those who have died, especially: *Kim (Murray) Maika, David Peplinskie, Dennis Palbiski, Deacon Daniel Davin, Tony Joseph Yantha, Anthony Pierroz.*

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.

SLO - THE MOST HOLY ROSARY will be recited a half hour before Sunday Masses in May, the Month of Mary, by the Catholic Women's League.

HCM CWL: To date, no one has stepped forward to provide leadership as Madame President. This position is essential for the continued life and mission of our CWL council.

HCM GARDENS: To date, a new Gardener-Coordinator to lead the care of our church flower gardens has not yet stepped forward. With the growing season approaching, this role is becoming urgent.

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.

PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS announced by The Most Reverend Michael Brehl, C.Ss.R. are posted on the bulletin board. (*Note: 3 retirements and further clustering of parishes with fewer priests*)

ECCLESIA: Our diocesan newsletter is available at the entrance.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS:

SLO: Total: \$3,018.00 (Envelopes: \$2,424.00; Loose: \$169.00; Visitors: \$25.00; E-transfers: \$360.00; Pastoral Works: \$40.00).

HCM: Total: \$1,660.00 (Envelopes: \$835.00; Loose: \$20.00; E-Transfers: \$805.00)

SFDs:Total:\$730.00 (Envelopes:\$400.00; Loose:\$260.00; Visitor: \$20.00;Building: \$50)

THANK YOU: With heartfelt gratitude, we thank everyone who took part in the recent spring clean-up at **Holy Canadian Martyrs** and **St. Francis de Sales**. Your care for our parish grounds is a true gift to our community. We are also deeply grateful to all who helped with snow shovelling throughout the winter months — your quiet generosity kept our churches safe and welcoming for all. May God bless you for your faithful service.

HCM: “THE SEARCH” begins and you and your friends are invited! **When and where:** Wednesdays, April 29th to June 10th, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. at George Vanier Catholic School, Combermere. This innovative video series and discussion time will tackle the key questions of every human heart. You may be reassured by some parts and challenged by others. Either way, you’ll find a lot here to think about. There is no cost. The seven topics are: *What Do You Seek? Who Are You? Why A God? What's Our Story? Who is Jesus? Am I Saved? Why A Church?* For information, contact Greg or Mary at 613-756-6643, gmdoyle39@gmail.com

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.

ST. JOSEPH’S HOUSE IN COMBERMERE is a mission house of the Madonna House Community. Their thrift shops are open on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, offering affordable, good-quality household items to people in the local area.

They would gratefully accept donations of pots and pans, baking dishes, silverware, kitchen utensils, comforters, pillows, towels, art supplies, and toys to help stock the shops. If you would like to help by donating any of these or other items, please call St. Joe’s at 613-756-6267 to arrange an appointment for drop-off. Thank you, and God bless.

ROSES FOR LIFE: The Knights of Columbus will be distributing “Roses for Life” before and after all Masses on the weekend of May 16/17 as part of their annual tradition. This initiative often inspires donations and serves as a fundraiser for the council’s pro-life activities. In recent years, proceeds have supported the Bancroft Pregnancy Centre with annual contributions of \$800. Parishioners are invited to accept a lapel rose sticker and consider supporting this important cause.