



## June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Pentecost Sunday

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### MASS INTENTIONS – June 7<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025

#### St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral (Yarmouth):

**Sat. 4 pm** Arnold & Agnes Porter  
**Sun. 9am** Parishioners  
**Sun. 11:15am** Ann Pennell  
**Tues. 6:30 pm** Lorraine Weagle  
**Wed. 6:30 pm** Jack Duffus  
**Thurs. 9 am** Anniv. Michael Boudreau  
**Fri. 9 am** Frances M. Surette  
**Sat. 4 pm** Beatrice Annie Johnson  
**Sun. 9am** Doug & Helen Melanson  
**Sun. 11:15am** Parishioners

#### Our Lady of Lourdes (Melbourne):

**Sun. 10 am June 8<sup>th</sup>** Adele Saulnier  
**Sun. 10 am June 15<sup>th</sup>** Madeline & Lellis Surette

**RFLECTION** **Come to Us Holy Spirit!** And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. Happy birthday! Today, as we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost,

we also celebrate the birth of the Church. Thus, today is a celebration of your membership in the life of the Church. As a human institution, the Church has always suffered on account of the sins of Her members. This sad truth is something that we are increasingly aware of today. But the Church itself is the Spotless Bride of Christ. It is the Body of Christ on earth, in Heaven and in Purgatory. Those of us on earth are members of the Church Militant. Those in Heaven are members of the Church Triumphant. And those in Purgatory are members of the Church Suffering. But all of us are united under Christ our Head as members of His holy Body, the Church. We profess our faith in the Church every Sunday. We profess that we believe in “one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.” What exactly does this mean? First, it means that by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, those who profess faith in Christ are united as “one.” This oneness is a spiritual union that will endure for eternity. It is unbreakable and restores us to the life we were created to live. That is, a life of union with God and others, a communion of humanity with God. As one family, the Church is also “holy.” Holiness is another way of saying that we are made whole by the blood of Christ, sharing in His redemption. By His mercy, our sins are forgiven and we become children of the Father in Heaven, sharing the eternal life of the Son. The word “catholic” refers to the truth that the offer of salvation is given to all. It is a universal calling given to all people who will accept this gift. God did not come to save only a few but all, and many will accept this gift of salvation. We are “apostolic,” in that God chose to establish His Church through the mediation of His Apostles. They were uniquely called to become instruments by which the saving Truth is proclaimed and the grace won by the Cross is distributed. The work of the Apostles continues today through their successors, the bishops, and those who are co-workers with the bishops, the priests. Sinful though they may be, God uses them, nonetheless, to bestow His grace and truth upon the world. As a member of the one Body of Christ, you are also invited by God to enlarge His family through the sharing of the Gospel and by your life of deep prayer. You are called and sent, and this takes place by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit that we especially celebrate today. Reflect, today, upon the incredible privilege it is to be invited to be a

member of the Family of God, the Church. And reflect, also, upon the important duty you have to extend that invitation to others. Pray to the Holy Spirit, asking for an increase in His seven-fold gifts in your life so that You can help share the saving message of the Gospel to those whom God wants to reach through you. -My Catholic Life

**CHALICE:** Chalice is coming to St. Ambrose Co-Cathedral! At the June 21-22 Masses, Canada’s largest Catholic Child Sponsorship organization will provide you the opportunity to begin a relationship with a child in the developing world through the benefits of Child Sponsorship. These are children in extreme poverty who need your support to excel in their education and fulfill their God-given potential. Please visit [chalice.ca](http://chalice.ca) for more information about Chalice and its mission.

**WEEKDAY MASS IN MARIAN HALL:** Because of the construction happening on Saint Ambrose Church during the daytime, for safety reasons, mass on Thursday and Friday morning will be held in Marian Hall until further notice. (Just on those two days, all other masses will be in the church.) Fr. Henry

**ST. AMBROSE ROOF FUNDRAISER:** There will be a yard sale/silent auction fundraiser at the Knights of Columbus Hall on June 21<sup>st</sup> 8:00am to 2:00pm. A sign-up sheet is at the entrance for anyone who can volunteer their time on Friday June 20 for setting the yard sale up or Saturday June 21 to help with the sale/clean up. We are also looking for donations of items in good condition. For collection services or if you have any questions, please contact Kelley Kelly at 902-740-9490.

**COLUMBUS NEWS: Monthly Meeting:** Tuesday June 10<sup>th</sup>, all members invited 6:00 pm executive meeting and 7:30 pm general meeting. **4<sup>th</sup> Degree meeting** will be held on Tuesday June 17<sup>th</sup> at 7.00 pm 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights are encouraged to attend.

**NOTRE DAME DE L’ASSOMPTION PARISH SECRETARY:** - Paroisse Notre-Dame de l’Assomption – Sainte-Anne-du-Ruisseau - is looking for a part-time secretary. 9a.m. to 2p.m. Tuesday to Friday. Duties include - typing and printing church

bulletins, managing mass schedules and coordinating priest schedules, answering phones, checking emails and relaying messages to the appropriate staff member, printing baptismal and marriage certificates, keeping parish registers up to date, ordering candles, church envelopes, hosts, wine and other necessary supplies, keeping in contact with all committee members and attending monthly Pastoral committee meetings. Proficiency in the French language is required. To apply please send your resume at [nda@eastlink.ca](mailto:nda@eastlink.ca) or call 902-648-2315.

**CWL AND FRIENDS:** will meet on Thursday, June 19, 2025 at 5:30 in the Jubilee Room for a potluck social. Join us for a prayer service and sharing. We will discuss the teacup fundraiser and activities for the future. Bring a dish to share. Dessert will be provided.

**NEW ROOF PROGRESSING WELL:** Just an update on the roofing job. As you may have seen, part of the new green steel roof has been installed. The main cross on the bell tower was removed and was found to be half rotten and was falling apart as they took it down. The main bell in the tower was found to have a big metal piece missing from the frame. These things were both dangerous and so it is good they were found and are being fixed. The job is supposed to take between 6 to 8 weeks so it should be completed by the end of July. I will try to update you each week. Fr. Henry

**COFFEE SOCIALS:** Will be held after all the masses next weekend June 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> in the Jubilee room. Please join us for a cup.



Our sympathy is extended to the family and friends of  
Blair Jérémie Boudreau  
Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.