



# SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL BULLETIN

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## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

### Saturday Eucharist

5:00 p.m.

### Sunday Eucharist

9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m. (French)

7:00 p.m.

### Weekday Eucharist

Mon to Fri - 12:10 p.m.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday - 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

### Reconciliation

Monday to Friday - 11:30 – 12:00 pm

Saturday – 4:00 – 4:45 p.m.  
(or call for an appointment)

### Baptism Preparation

The first & second Fridays of each month at 7pm in rectory.

### Parish Council:

James Caudle (Chair),  
Susan Mariano (Vice Chair)  
Eric Soprovich (Secretary)  
Ammilou Pelayo, Myriam Lafrance, Michael Reyes and Caroline Knickle

### Office Hours

Mon Tues Thurs Fri 9:00 a.m. to 3:00pm

### Closed Wednesday

### Bishop

Most Reverend Hector Vila

### Parish Rector

Fr. Slawomir Szwagrzyk

### Admin Assistant

Giuseppe Fico (per interim)

### Communauté

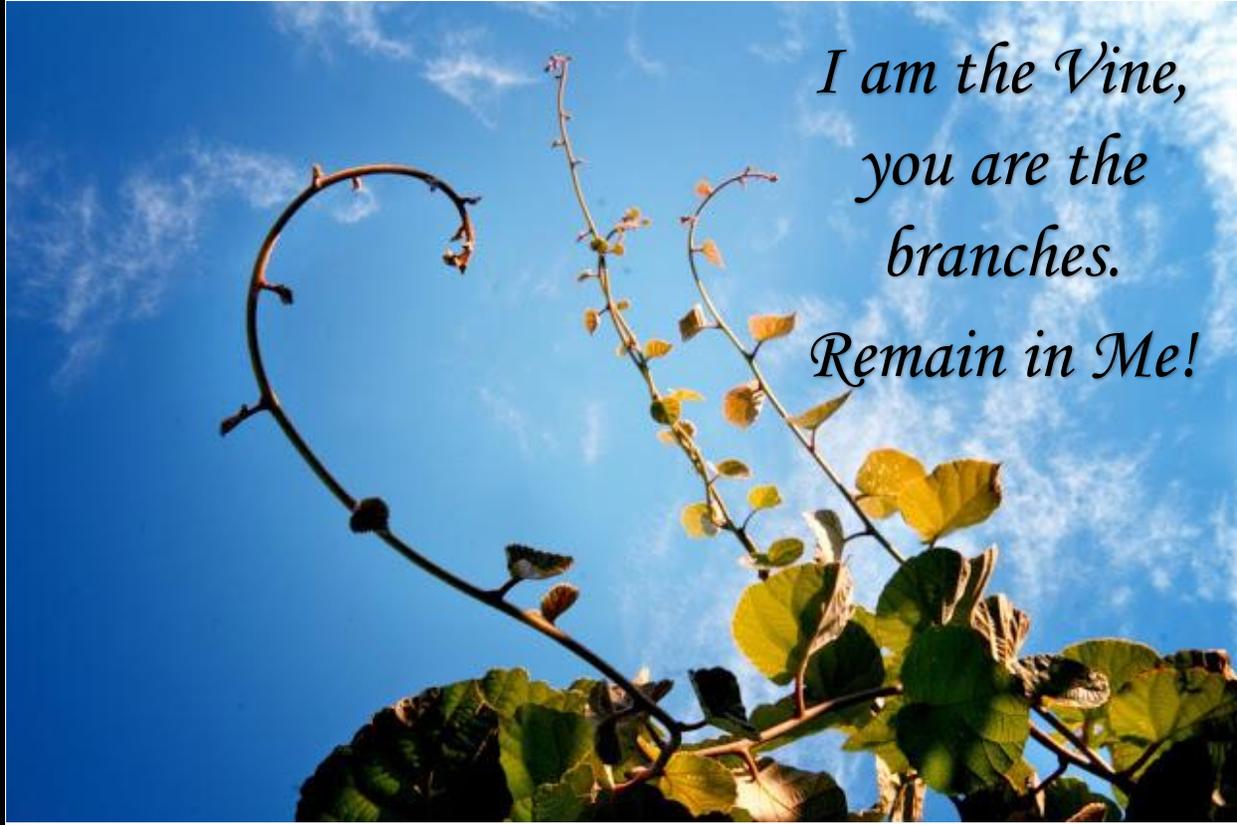
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*I am the Vine,  
you are the  
branches.*

*Remain in Me!*

### WEEKLY EVENTS, CELEBRATIONS & MASS INTENTIONS

## Sunday, May 2nd

1st Reading: Acts 9.26-31 2nd Reading: 1 John 3.18-24 Gospel: John 15.1-8

**9am: For All Parishioners, 7pm: +Marcin Chlebowski.**

*1pm: For all Children who are receiving their First Holy Communion*

Monday	3	12:10 pm	+ Marcin Chlebowski	1st Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.1-8 Gospel: John 14.6-14
Tuesday	4	12:10 pm	+ Marcin Chlebowski	1st Reading: Acts 14.19-28 Gospel: John 14.27-31a
Wednesday	5	12:10 pm	+ Marcin Chlebowski	1st Reading: Acts 15.1-6 Gospel: John 15.1-8
Thursday	6	12:10 pm	+ Marcin Chlebowski	1st Reading: 2 Timothy 4.1-5 Gospel: John 10.11-16
Friday	7	12:10 pm	+ Marcin Chlebowski	1st Reading: Acts 15.22-31 Gospel: John 15.12-17
Saturday	8	9:00 am		1st Reading: Acts 16.1-10 Gospel: John 15.18-21
		5:00 pm	+ Marcin Chlebowski	1st Reading: Acts 10.25-26,34-35. 44-48 2nd Reading: 1 John 4.7-10 Gospel: John 15.9-17

*Abiding Jesus, you have connected us to the vine of divine love.  
May your compassion for the world flow through us and lead us deeper into a relationship  
with you.*

*Help us turn towards our brothers and sisters most in need of care.  
May your resurrected life bring new life and transform our hearts to best serve in your  
name, Amen*



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## MUSINGS

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### **The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – Some Musings**

*“You have already been cleansed by the words that I have spoken to you.”*

The spring rains nourish the earth, the early seeds and plants, giving them the strength to develop and grow. The sun warms the world encouraging that growth. After a lovely rain we can smell the damp earth and see the cleansed leaves and grasses. It's a time for the earth to flourish and give praise to its Creator. The teachings of Jesus are meant to do the same for us; to give us a new way of life, a new way of interacting with our sisters and brothers, of caring for one another and the earth. Those teachings are meant to give us life for as Jesus has told us, “I am the way, the truth and the life”. We, like the plants, need to give Him glory by our deeds and our words. Being cleansed by the words of our Lord is being washed in His Blood and clinging to Him with every fibre of our being. It's a call to true discipleship. As those branches cling to the vine to give them life and make them fruitful so too, our lives are meant to give life to others. We do not live in isolation but in a community: Like the branches we cling to the vine and also to one another. There's a lovely story that I read years ago called “The Little Grape Stem” and I'd like to share it with you now. “Once upon a time there was a little grape stem. This stem was so glad to be alive. She drank water and minerals from the soil and grew and grew. She was young and strong and could manage quite well. ALL BY HERSELF. But then the rain was harsh, the snow not one bit understanding and the little stem suffered; she drooped, weak and suffering. It would be so easy to stop trying to grow, to stop trying to live. And the grape stem was poor. The winter was long, and the little grape stem was very weary. But then the little grape stem heard a voice. It was another grape stem calling out to her, ‘Here, reach out . . . hang on to me.’ But the little stem hesitated. “What would this mean?” she thought. For you see, the little stem had always managed quite well. ALL BY HERSELF. But then ever so cautiously, she reached out toward the other grape stem. “See, I can help you” it said. “Just wrap your tendrils about me and I will help you lift your head.” And the little grape stem trusted and suddenly she could stand straight again! And the wind came, and the rain and the snow, but when it came the little grape stem was clinging to many other grape stems. And although the stems were swayed by the wind and frozen by the snow, they stood strongly united to one another. In their united strength they could smile and grow. Then one day the little stem looked down and saw a tiny stem swaying and frightened and our little stem said, “Here, reach out . . . I can help you.” And the other stem reached out to our stem and together all the stems grew, leaves budded, flowers bloomed, and finally grapes formed. AND THE GRAPES FED MANY.” Like that little stem let's reach out to one another, unite our strength and cling to the vine. We are meant to live in community and while this pandemic has made that a tough road to follow, let's seek ways in which we can reach out to others. We have access to so many forms of media in which to do that. Let's advantage ourselves of those things and while we may have to keep our distance physically, let's reach out through those devices and through prayer to make sure no one stands alone.

Wishing you a week of many blessings and all those small miracles.

Betty Bruch

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## PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

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**CONGRATULATIONS:** To our young people who are receiving the Holy Eucharist for the very first time this Sunday! *Gavin, Hannah, Martha, Chris, Patricia, Nathaniel, Christopher, Muzika, Liv, Julianna, Aven, Mulan, Kendra and Athea.* Through receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ for the first time, may you feel your union with Jesus today and every day as you live a life of faith dedicated to Him. **THANK YOU** to their catechists who prepared them. They are: Caroline, Joe, Aprile and Lionel. May the Lord give you a hundredfold!

**LITANY TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** After each weekday mass, **we are invited to pray the Litany to the Blessed Virgin Mary.** The Litany of Loreto takes its name from the Marian shrine of Loreto in Italy, where it is believed to have been used as far back as 1531. It was officially approved in 1587 by Pope Sixtus V, who suppressed all other Marian litanies used publicly. The Litany of Loreto is the only approved Marian litany. However, many more Marian litanies were and are in use, but are designated for private devotion, as is evident, for example, in the so-called *Officia Mariana*. Through the centuries at least 7 new invocations to Mary were added. Saint Pope John Paul II added “Mother of the Church” in 1980, and “Queen of families” in 1995. **Pope Francis has added three more in June 2020. “Mother of mercy”, “Mother of hope” and “Solace of migrants”.**

**NET FUNDRAISING:** We are grateful that our Diocese and Sacred Heart parish have brought a NET Ministries team to Whitehorse. The current NET team will be here until the end of May and a new team will come next October to continue the work that has been started. The team is involved in music ministry, leading the high school and middle school youth groups at Sacred Heart, doing outreach to youth in our high school, elementary schools and missions. They are part of a larger network of young missionaries who are taking a year off to bring Canadian youth towards a deeper love of Christ. They are here to support our Catholic schools and to be another avenue (peer-led) for inviting youth, whether Catholic, Christian or secular, into an authentic dialogue about faith and spirituality. The NET Project is an investment into Catholic youth ministry in the Yukon. The Diocese and Sacred Heart are sharing this expense. The cost for the current team is approximately \$42,000. Sacred Heart is responsible for \$21,000. **We made a goal to raise \$25,000 for this year to cover any additional youth ministry costs. We ask for your prayers that their work will touch the hearts of our youth. Also, if you are able to support this ministry financially, that would be much appreciated.** Donations can be made by cheque payable to Sacred Heart Parish, or online at <http://www.sacredheartcathedral.ca/donate.html> (Canada Helps). Please indicate that it is for the NET Project. If you would like to know more about NET, you can visit their website at [netcanada.ca](http://netcanada.ca), on Instagram at Whitehorse youth, or contact Andrea Lefebvre at 867-668-2768.

**YOUTH GROUP** – The NET team has taken on the Sacred Heart Youth Groups (Youth On Fire). The Jr. Youth Group continue to meet every **Friday, from 6:30-8:30 pm in the CYO hall.** All **grades 5 to 8** are welcome! The Sr. Youth **Group grades 9 to 12 meet on Sundays at 8:00 pm in the CYO hall.** For both groups bring your face mask and indoor shoes. Since attendance is limited, make sure to confirm your presence by calling Andrea, Myriam or JD. Please contact the parish office for their contact information. Lots of faith filled fun to come!!

**CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD:** Level One on Saturday mornings from **10:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon.** Please use the entrance to the lower level of the rectory which is near the back of the building. Contact Caroline Knickle either by phone (334-6851) or by email ([csknickle@gmail.com](mailto:csknickle@gmail.com)) if you have any questions.

**COUPLES FOR CHRIST:** Meet in the Rectory **every Saturday, right after 5pm mass.** From April 10<sup>th</sup> to May 29<sup>th</sup> open to married couples, previously married, single parent, single men and women, widow and widower. You can also register and join via Zoom using this link <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJlqceqvqTgtGNOJDFaNLLeJgQZfyA5Q6i5v9>. For more information, please contact Allan and Leasethe Campo at 867-689-9310 or [allansfc@yahoo.com](mailto:allansfc@yahoo.com).

**ADORATION:** As Catholics, we believe that the gifts of bread and wine turn into the living body and blood of Christ! The Eucharist is more than a remembrance of Jesus’ sacrifice, but also an intimate encounter with Him. Sacred Heart Cathedral celebrates. Adoration is every **Thursday from 7 - 8 p.m.** Come spend an hour with Him!

**UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE STUDY:** Many Catholics want to read the Bible because they know it is God's Word, but they give up because it seems so complicated. *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* helps you get the "big picture" by showing how fourteen narrative books of the Bible tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church. *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* will help you discover the story of salvation history and understand how you fit into God's plan. This eight-session study program explores all twelve time periods of *The Bible Timeline*. <https://ascensionpress.com/products/unlocking-the-mystery-of-the-bible-workbook> **We meet at 7 pm, in our rectory (in small group) for 8 Wednesdays until May 26. For more information, please contact Mariana Giaccaglia at [mari7poza@hotmail.com](mailto:mari7poza@hotmail.com)**

**MASS SIGN-IN:** We have **2 sign-in sheets: 1 for the "Nave" FOR THOSE WHO ATTEND MASS FROM THE NAVE (Max 50 attendees)** and **1 for the balcony FOR THOSE WHO ATTEND MASS FROM THE BALCONY (Max 25 attendees)** Please sign-in on the correct sheet so we keep an accurate record for contact tracing purposes. When the sign-in sheet is full, we will close the doors. If you cannot attend physically, remember that the Saturday 5pm mass is recorded and uploaded online on the Diocese's Facebook Page.

**ELECTRONIC BULLETINS:** Sacred Heart Cathedral is offering to send our **bulletins electronically, by email**. Please **ask the priest before or after the mass** for the form to fill out, or you can go to the **Sacred Heart Cathedral website** for a printable form.

**PARISH OFFICE:** As we might not be answering calls and emails during regular office hours, **please direct any urgent communications directly to Fr. Szwagrzyk**. For any non-urgent needs, do not hesitate to leave us a message or send us an email: [office@sacredheartcathedral.ca](mailto:office@sacredheartcathedral.ca)

**EVENTS/ACTIVITIES IN CYO HALL: Our Hall and Kitchen are available for private bookings.** If you would like to book the space, contact our Parish Office. Note that our church's covid protocol only covers Faith-Based Activities. Please be advised that for any other activity (*social gatherings, homeschooling, etc*), **you will need to provide your own Covid Operational Plan**. You can provide a template and you will find all guidelines on this website: <https://yukon.ca/en/health-and-wellness/covid-19-information/industry-operating-guidelines-covid-19/organizing-safe> . Thank you for your collaboration!

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## HOLY SACRAMENTS

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**MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES:** The third meeting will be **Monday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30pm, in the Meeting Room of our Rectory**.

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## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

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**WALK FOR LIFE** - Join us for the annual **Walk for Life in Whitehorse on Thursday, May 13th, 2021 from Noon until 1pm**. Please meet at the Old Log Church (3rd Ave. & Elliott). This is a peaceful, silent walk in support of the sanctity of life, and is held in conjunction with the National March for Life in Ottawa ([www.marchforlife.ca](http://www.marchforlife.ca)). For more information, visit the Whitehorse Right to Life website at [www.whrighttolife.org](http://www.whrighttolife.org). **\* Please note that the daily Mass at Sacred Heart for that day only will be at 11:15am.**

**NEW CULTURE OF LIFE NEWSLETTER - Whitehorse Right to Life is putting out its first newsletter.** Hard copies are available in the lobby of the church or you can download a digital version on the [Right to Life website](http://www.whrighttolife.org).

**CATHOLIC LOVELIFE CONFERENCE MAY 14-16:** With cell phones, social media, and video conferencing we have never had more opportunities to connect with one another. It begs the question, **why are we still so lonely?** We could be surrounded by friends or married for 50 years and still feel unseen, unheard, and alone. At this year's Catholic LoveLife Conference hosted by Chastity Project, we are sifting through the top questions that you have asked about love and marriage, and how to share a message of love to a world increasingly hostile to God's plan for true intimacy. **Register for FREE:** <https://go.virtualcatholicconference.com/lovelife>

**THE WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER virtual weekend experience is coming to you! May 14-16, 2021**  
Registration deadline: May 7, 2021 If you desire to restore communication & rekindle romance, this weekend is for you; no travel required and from the comfort of your own home! More details and link to register are in the website edition of our parish bulletin.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The Knights of Columbus annual charity raffle** is now happening. This cash raffle raises funds for the Yukon's food banks as well as for the Braeburn Christian Camp and three scholarships/bursaries. **Tickets are \$10 each and the draw date is July 1, 2021 @3pm** If you would like to purchase a ticket, please contact Michael Lauer (867-332-5973) or [mmjs@northwestel.net](mailto:mmjs@northwestel.net). The Knights appreciate your support!

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## PRAYER INTENTIONS

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### LET'S KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS:

For the repose of the soul of **Maria Gabriela Tudela**, mother of Mariana Giaccaglia, and **Jean-Marc Bélanger**.

For **Ray Chalifoux**, for his recovery.

We pray for **all people affected by COVID-19**; for the doctors, nurses, people working to provide services and much needed supplies to others, and for priests who continue to help with those affected by COVID-19.

For **all who are struggling with addiction** and for **all victims of abuse and domestic violence** in the Yukon and everywhere, especially in these times of social isolation.

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## VATICAN and DIOCESAN NEWS AND EVENTS

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**PRAYERS FOR THE END OF THE PANDEMIC: Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the Marian month of May to praying for an end to the pandemic.** “The initiative will involve all the Shrines of the world in a special way, so that they might encourage the faithful, families, and communities to recite the Rosary to pray for an end to the pandemic,” read the statement.

Pope Francis will open the Marian month of prayer on 1 May with a Rosary broadcast across Vatican Media’s platforms.

**PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY:** Let us pray that **those in charge of finance** will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT TO THE UNDRIP:** On April 26<sup>th</sup>, the members of the Executive Committee of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) published a statement to **support the implementation of *The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act* (UNDRIP)** in Canadian law.

**COVID-19 VACCINE: Moral Questions and Principles:** See the CCCB webpage for a Note from the Holy See and a Clarification from the CCCB. The exact link is on our online bulletin, on our parish website.

**SAINT JOSEPH:** It is **The Year of Saint Joseph**. We invite you to visit the CCCB webpage for various resources in **Celebration of the Year of St. Joseph**. You will find Prayers, Litanies, and Devotions, Consecration to Saint Joseph, and Church documents in both French and English. <https://www.cccb.ca/evangelization-catechesis-catholic-education/celebrating-the-year-of-saint-joseph/>

**“AMORIS LAETITIA FAMILY” YEAR: Pope Francis recalled the publication of the post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris laetitia* on the beauty and joy of conjugal and family love**, and invited all to “live a year of rereading the Document and reflecting on the theme, until the celebration of the Tenth World Meeting of Families which, God willing, will take place in Rome on 26 June, 2022.” More information at <http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html>



“Michelangelo left many unfinished sculptures, four of which can be seen in the museum in Florence. **They are incomplete slave figures, with parts of their bodies still being immersed in marble.** These sculptures have been interpreted in many ways. As we see them, in various stages of completion, they evoke the enormous strength of the creative concept as they **try to free themselves from the bonds and physical weight of the marble.** It is now claimed that the **artist deliberately left them incomplete to represent this eternal struggle of human beings to free themselves from their material trappings.**

In the spiritual field, **we are these unfinished sculptures.** Our spirit fights to liberate us from materiality. Sculpture cannot get out of marble without the help of a sculptor and its chisel. **We cannot achieve our humanity without the help of God and His cross.** The craftsman must reject unnecessary marble sheds in order to extract the hidden beauty. **We, with the help of God, must reject our pride, greed, selfishness, fear, so that our beauty may appear.”**

*From Fr. Slawek's Sunday Homily, May 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021*

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## DE SEMAINE EN SEMAINE

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De semaine en semaine  
2 mai 2021  
5<sup>ème</sup> dimanche de Pâques

Vous trouverez le bulletin complet sous la section *Communauté Francophone* du site Internet de notre paroisse.

### **Intention de prière du Saint-Père**

Prions pour que les responsables financiers travaillent avec les gouvernements pour réguler le domaine des finances et protéger les citoyens contre ses dangers.

Le Célébrant aujourd'hui le 2 mai : Fr. Leo.

### **Procédures pour Covid-19 : masque, distanciation, désinfection des mains à l'entrée et à la sortie.**

**Écrivez votre nom et # de téléphone est sur la feuille de présence.**

**ANNIVERSAIRE** : Le 5 : Nikos Légère-Melanson.

**INTENTIONS DE MESSE** : Si vous désirez offrir une messe pour une personne décédée, une personne malade ou autre raison, contacter le bureau de la CFC avec les informations suivantes :

- le nom de la personne pour qui vous voulez une messe,
- le nom de la personne qui paie pour la messe (10\$ ou plus)
- la date que vous aimeriez que cette messe soit célébrée.

La messe en français est le dimanche à 12h (midi).

**JEUDI LE 6 MAI** : St-François-de-Laval, Patron des Évêques du Canada.

Seigneur Dieu, tu as envoyé l'évêque saint François-de-Laval pour étendre le règne du Christ au Canada ; accorde-nous, à son intercession, d'accomplir l'œuvre missionnaire que nous devons faire comme chrétiens. Par Jésus-Christ.

**CHAPELET DU MOIS DE MAI** : S'il y a parmi vous, des personnes qui seraient intéressées à réciter le chapelet au Cimetière des Pionniers durant le mois de mai, le mois de Marie, laissez-moi savoir par courriel au : [cfc@sacredheartcathedral.ca](mailto:cfc@sacredheartcathedral.ca) . Nous pourrions organiser quelque chose.