

Announced Masses

St. James Parish, Seaforth

WED. MAY 30

FRI. JUNE 1

SAT. JUNE 2

9:30 am

5:00 pm

SUN. JUNE 3

9:00 am

No Mass today (Priests' Retreat)

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LOCATION CHANGE: see below

St. James Parish Family

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St. Patrick's Parish, Dublin

TUES. MAY 29 & THURS. MAY 31

SAT. JUNE 2

9:00 am - - -

9:30 am

SUN. JUNE 3

11:00 am

No Masses (Priests' Retreat)

Praying the Rosary

For world peace and healing

Brad Ferguson - Kevin & Geraldine Coyne

Isabelle Culliton - Rose Ann Simonsen

St. Patrick's Parish Family

Pre-Authorized Donations will soon be available for the convenience of St. Patrick's and St. James parishioners.

JOINT PPC MEETING...

The Parish Pastoral Councils of St. James/St. Patrick's and St. Patrick's/St. Vincent de Paul will come together for a meeting on **Wednesday, June 6 at 7:30 p.m.** (evening mass will be cancelled). This will take place at the parish office in Dublin.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION...



May 20, 2018: SEAFORTH: Regular env. \$1,737.00, loose \$118.50, Building Fund \$35.00, St. James Cemetery \$20.00. *Thank you for your generosity!*

DUBLIN: Regular env. \$1,820.00, loose \$35.00. *Thank you for your generosity!*

For online donations go to www.CanadaHelps.org and search for "St Patrick's Church Dublin". Tax receipts will be issued for all donations.

PARISH FAMILY PICNIC...

- PLEASE SAVE THE DATE - We will be hosting a parish picnic for both parishes this year on **July 22nd** at the Seaforth Lions Park. We will have a common mass at 10:00 a.m. in the morning at St. James Seaforth, like we did for the Family Day that was held in St. Patrick's in Dublin in February of this year. Help will be needed with the planning, please call Niki Saunders at 519-345-0007 if interested. We are also looking for people in the Dublin community that would like to join the Social Committee.

ELECTION GUIDE FOR CATHOLICS...

With a provincial election coming in the next month, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto - as they have done in the past - has put together an Election Guide for Catholics, together with samples questions to ask of election candidates. These are available online at <http://www.catholiccharitiestor.org/Special-Pages/Ontario-Election-Guide-2018.aspx>. As the website states, "When you cast your vote in the Ontario General Election to elect members to Ontario's Legislative Assembly you want them to create a more democratic society, robust economy, environmentally sustainable future and one that safeguards basic human dignity."

PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY...

We are looking into the possibility of publishing another parish photo directory, the last was published in 2008 - we have all changed since then! It was felt that this would be important, especially as we prepare ourselves for the Family of Parishes. However in order to move forward with this project we will need volunteers from both parishes. If you are interested in this short-term project please contact a member of the PPC or Father Clare.

GRADE 7 & 8 MINISTRY

This year's grade 7 & 8 Festival was a huge success! It was great to connect with most of our kids from St. James and St. Patrick's Parishes. Great team work between church and school! *Karen Doyle - CYM*

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

The next youth meeting will be on Monday, June 11. Franciscan Youth Conference July 20-22. The cost for Steubenville is \$273.00 per person. Please get the money in asap. The next Youth led mass will be on Sunday, June 10 at St. Patrick's Church, Dublin at 11:00 a.m. *Karen Doyle - CYM*

Please check out our [Facebook page: St Patrick's Dublin / St James Seaforth Youth Ministry](#)

ALL YOUNG ADULTS

Now that summer is here and you are out of University or College and home for the summer holidays - stay tuned to the bulletin for upcoming activities. *Karen Doyle - CYM*

ATTENTION CORE TEAM

This Monday, May 28 the CORE Team meeting will be in St. James sacristy at 7:30 p.m. *Karen Doyle - CYM*

BISHOP'S DINNER ON JUNE 13...

The St. Peter's Seminary Foundation is pleased to announce that the musical act for this year's London Bishop's Dinner is VOCATI, a group of our very own singing priests: To order tickets, please phone Frances Barnard at 519-432-1824 or 1-888-548-9649, extension 255, or email bishopsdinner@dol.ca.

JOB OPPORTUNITY...

BOOKKEEPER POSITION: The clustered parishes of St. Joseph and Immaculate Conception, Stratford, Ontario is seeking a full time Bookkeeper 35 hours per week. The Bookkeeper is responsible for maintaining and recording all the financial bookkeeping for the parish. Salary and benefits in accordance with the Diocese of London Personnel Policy. **Qualifications:** minimum of 3 years bookkeeping office experience, college diploma, aptitude for detail and accuracy, excellent computer skills with Microsoft Office, excellent organizational and communication skills, collaborative, supportive and a team player. Please send cover letter and resume to: stjmcstrat@dol.ca St. Joseph and

Immaculate Conception Parishes. Attn: Selection Committee 96 Huron Street, Stratford, ON N5A 5S6. Posting deadline May 31, 2018.

ST. JAMES CWL NEWS...

Please join us on **June 5 at 6:00 p.m.** at Kate's Station for dinner. There will be a sign up sheet at the back of the church. We will meet at 5:30 p.m. at St. James Church if you want to carpool. **Save the Date** and join us for good food and fellowship! Call *Mary Verberne* at 519-522-0967 for any questions or sign up.

HEART OF MARY...

Our monthly gathering for Heart of Mary ladies group is this **Monday, May 28 at 7:00 p.m.** at the home of Colleen Cronin. We hope you can join us! As we conclude our Alpha program this month, our theme is "Does God Heal today?" Please contact Colleen (519-345-1331) or Lindsay (519-527-1841) to RSVP or for more information. Bring a friend and a snack to share.

ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ DINNER...

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on **Thursday, May 31** from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Kinburn Hall. Take-out available. Adults \$18 (half a chicken), Youth 6 – 12 \$9 and children 6 and under are FREE. Advance tickets only. Gerry Vanden Hengel will be available in the church lobby this weekend with tickets.

DO YOU LIKE CHILDREN?

Looking for noon-hour monitors for both St. Columban and St. Patrick's Schools for 2018-19 school year. Two hours daily or willing to accommodate a select day schedule or on a supply basis. If you enjoy working with children and may be interested in helping us out please contact Principal, Ms. Dianne Vivian at 519-345-2086.

ADVENTURE FOR CHILDREN...

Get onboard Cat Chat Airlines and take off on a Radical Ride around the world with Amazing Angels and Super Saints. Buckle up as you prepare to soar through awesome lessons about prayer and how to put it into action! This adventure will take place in the mornings from July 16-20, 2018 in Kinkora. The cost is \$25 per person and is open to children born from 2006-2013. Please email KinkoraVBS@gmail.com for registration forms. Register early as spaces are limited. Registration deadline is **May 31, 2018**. For more info. contact Sonja Huitema (519-348-0920) or Maria Walsh (519-393-8893).



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Dear Parishioners of St. James.

An exciting time is about to begin at St. James!

As identified in the April 29 bulletin the process to begin construction work on the church began with the completion of the drawings and the competitive bidding of the project by the industry partners. Bids were received and opened by the Diocese on Friday May 18th. The successful bidder for our project is RTM – Roof Tile Management. <http://www.rooftilemanagement.com/>

I would really encourage you to go to their website and review the scope of the work they have completed throughout Ontario. They are very good at what they do! RTM has completed the historical restoration work at: St. Peters Cathedral Basilica, London; St. Michaels Cathedral, Toronto; St. Mary's Cathedral, Kingston; and the Royal Alexandra Theatre, Toronto. Closer to home Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount Carmel; St. Anne's Parish, Tecumseth; St. Patrick's Church, Kinkora, and most recently St. Joseph's Church in Stratford to name just a small sampling of the work they have done. They are also the company doing the refurbishment and revitalization work at St. Peter's Seminary in London. If you have Facebook, you can find lots of construction updates about the seminary on their Facebook page.

RTM will mobilize on site beginning on Monday May 28th. Yes this Monday!

Please note, that there will be perimeter fencing put up around the church. While it is perfectly reasonable for people to be curious about the work, it is important that our curiosity is fed from the sidewalk. Please respect the fact that the area inside the fencing is deemed a construction zone, and that only authorized

personnel are permitted in this area. The entire church parking lot will be off limits during the week. Parking for Saturday/Sunday weekend masses will still be available, though the area will be smaller given the additional fencing.

In the coming days you will also notice that we are removing a number of trees around the property. Many are overgrown and have become unsightly, some pose a risk to brick and foundation integrity and others are dying. The removal of these trees will help to facilitate the construction, but will also help to clean up the aesthetic appearance of the property. The building committee has a plan to replace these trees next spring, giving the property a new youthful look on life.

Finally, in an effort to expedite the work and to have it completed as quickly as possible,

- all weekday masses (beginning this week) scheduled for St. James will be moved to St. Patrick's in Dublin with two exceptions - the year end school mass on Monday June 26th, and the graduation mass the evening of June 28th. We appreciate your understanding.
- Beginning Monday, August 13 through to Monday, August 27th all masses including weekend masses will be moved to St. Patrick's. This will allow the interior work of the church to be done without the need pay the crews to cleanup for weekend mass. Making this move, shaves about a week's worth of construction time off the project and allows the church to be ready for use for the beginning of school. Again, we appreciate your understanding.

This work is a major undertaking, and I'd like to thank the members of the building committee for their efforts in helping to facilitate this revitalization. Please pray that the crews working on our building are guided by the Holy Spirit in order to give our church building new life.

Fr. Clare