

SACRED HEART PARISH

Sacred Heart Church
24 Albert St.
Langton, ON



St. Michael's Church
978 St. John's Road
Walsh, ON

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

Saturday – 5:00 pm
Sunday – 8:30 am (St. Michael's)
Sunday – 10:30 am

Daily Mass

Tues. – 5:00 pm
Wed to Fri. – 9:30 am

Reconciliation

20 min. prior to weekday mass
Sat. 4-4:45pm
Sun. 8-8:20am, or by appointment(St. Michael's)

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Parish Clergy

Rev. Thomas Kuriacko, Pastor
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Baptisms – Six months notice. **Marriages** – Contact Rev. Thomas at least one year in advance of the marriage

Schools – Sacred Heart, Langton - St. Michael's, Walsh - Our Lady of Fatima, Courtland

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

Fr. Anthony de Mello in his book "The Song of the Bird," has a little story titled 'Change the world by changing me.' He writes: The Sufi Bayazid says this about himself: "I was a revolutionary when I was young and all my prayer to God was: 'Lord give me the energy to change the world.'"

'As I approached middle age and realized that half my life was gone without my changing a single soul, I changed my prayer to: 'Lord, give me the grace to change all those who come in contact with me. Just my family and friends, and I shall be content.'"

"Now that I am an old man and my days are numbered, my one prayer is, 'Lord, give the grace to change myself.' If I prayed for this right from the start I should not have wasted my life."

In this Sunday's Gospel John the Baptist does not say: go and convert others; he says, convert yourselves. We have first to change ourselves, give our lives the right orientation. Conversion should take place within our own hearts.

We all need help and encouragement to leave behind familiar ways which have become destructive. We need help in imagining ourselves differently, and imagining the good effect that will have on others. We have to take time to reflect what kind of person God wants us to be, what his plan is for us. We need faith in the future, to see the power of God working in the change. We need to have Paul's certainty that God will not abandon us in our efforts, but "that the one who began this good work in you will see that it is finished."

If our community is to be constantly converted to the Lord we all have to breathe in encouragement and breathe it out. Perhaps this Advent we could exercise that encouragement in a simple, practical way. That will be a change for the better. In the words of Cardinal Newman: "To be human is to change. To be perfect is to have changed often."

"That the one who began a good work among you will bring to completion by the day of Jesus Christ."

Fr. Thomas

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	MASS INTENTION	BY
Tues Dec 11, 2018	5:00 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leon Renilde & Roger Spriet • Joe Vansevenant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • By the Family • Denise Vansevenant
Wed Dec 12, 2018	9:30 am 1:45 pm	Advent School Mass for SHS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pat Hooft Advent School Mass for OLFS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Vriends 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bernice Van Lauwe • Edna & Brian DeLeebeeck
Thurs Dec 13, 2018	9:30 am 1:45 pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Olga Deli Advent School Mass for STMS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celestine "Tina" Bacro 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Helen Mattan • Armin & Frances Kunkel
Fri Dec 14, 2018	9:30 am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walter VanLaeken 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary DeCloet

DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	TIME	EVENT
Wed Dec 12/18	9:30 am	Advent School Mass for SHS
	1:45 pm	Advent School Mass for OLFS
Thurs Dec13/18	1:45 pm	Advent School Mass for STMS
Tues Dec 18/18	6:30 pm	Christmas Concert for OLFS
Wed Dec 19/18	6:30 pm	Christmas Concert for SHS

CWL ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS ARE DUE

A friendly reminder that the 2019 CWL Annual Memberships are due. The renewal amount to be paid for a membership is \$25.00. Please put your remittance in the envelope provided or in a white envelope with your name on it stating that it is CWL dues. You may drop it in the collection basket or mail it to Josy Erdelac, 992 NCR 21, R.R. #1 Delhi, ON N4B 2W4. For more information call 519-429-1787.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS – DEC 1/2

St. Michael's

Regular Envelope	\$ 430.00
Loose	\$ 60.00
Sub-Total	\$ 490.00

Thanks!


Sacred Heart

Regular Envelope	\$1677.00
Loose	\$ 148.65
Sub - Total	\$1825.65
Total	\$2315.65
Operating Goal	\$3700.00
Operating Shortfall	\$1384.35

ENVELOPE BOXED SETS ARE READY FOR PICK UP

The envelope boxed sets for 2019 are available at the back of the church.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Thanks to all the ladies that brought articles for the Shoe boxes and also for helping to fill them all. They have been shipped to Davoa City in the Philippines by New City Church, Brantford. (Free of charge in a container, missionaries are Jeff & Lydia Smith). In February during Craft Day we will still be gathering more items and filling Shoe boxes again. We are shipping everything differently this year due to the high cost of shipping fee's. If you would like more information please visit this website: www.welloflifeedi.com
Thanks, Mary Ann Kersten



CHRISTMAS EVE MASS DECEMBER 24th

5:00 pm - Christmas Eve School Mass - All 3 Schools (Children's Mass)
10:00 pm - Mass (Sunday Choir)

CHRISTMAS DAY

8:30 am - Christmas Day Mass at St. Michael's Church
10:30 am - Christmas Day Mass at Sacred Heart Church

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

December 31st 5:00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart Church

January 1st 8:30 am Mass at St. Michael's Church

10:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart Church