

PRAY PLEASE FOR:
The Holy Souls in Purgatory
Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life (Psalm 19).

WEEK AT A GLANCE (Jan 28 - Feb 3)

Mon	8:00 pm	AA
Tues	1:30 pm	Celebrate the Word
	7:45 pm	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
Wed	9:30 am	Rosary
	10:00 am	Mass with the Grade 1 Classes
	10:30 am	Grade 1 Tour of Church
	5:00 pm	Friendship Dinner
	6:30 pm	Folk Choir Practice
Thurs	11:30 am	Jollymakers - Bingo
	2:00 pm	Information Meeting for Pilgrimage to Ireland
	7:45 pm	RCIA
Fri	9:00 am	Exposition of the blessed Sacrament
	10:30 am	Reach Out Ministry Meeting
Sat	9:30 am	Confessions
	10:00 am	Confirmation Decision Point
Sun	9:00 am	Sunday School
	3:00 pm	Family Catechism

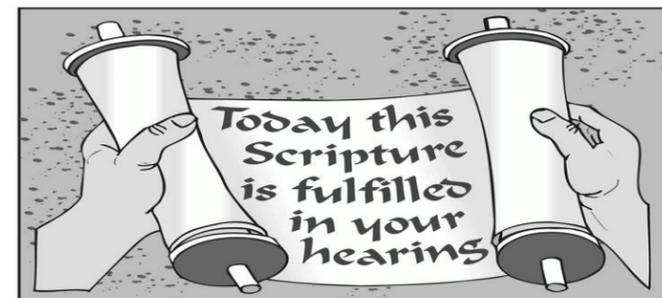
In the event of a funeral Mass on Wednesday or Friday, Mass will be cancelled and the Mass Intentions will be offered at the funeral.

*SSVP Collection & Food Bank
 Knights of Columbus Can Collection*

Altar Server (Feb 19 & 21) Danika Varga

WEEKLY OFFERTORY – JAN 19/20

Regular Envelope	\$ 3901.00
Parish Centre	\$ 235.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 42.00
Loose	\$ 168.81
Capital/Building Fund	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 4446.81



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (Feb 2/3)

Saturday (5 pm)

Commentator: Moma Fardella
 1st, 2nd Lector: Dorothy Lipsit, Dave Mulholland
 Gift Bearer: Veronica Holly
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Jeannette Keba, Pat Molloy, Vince Molloy, Kathy Myny
 Greeter: Veronica Holly
 Rosary: Adele Armstrong

Sunday (9 am)

Commentator: Mike Bossy
 1st, 2nd Lector: Tina Hopper, Nicole Gubesch
 Gift Bearers: Spanjers Family
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Irene Gubesch, John Oliveira, Mariola Pleli, Sara Leonard
 Greeter: Joanne Maertens
 Rosary: Mae Feeney

Sunday (11 am)

Commentator: Ed Roczen
 1st, 2nd Lector: Ron Semenuk, Kim Smith
 Gift Bearer: Elizabeth Czomba
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Norma Roczen, Norbert Vanhooren, Helen Borbely, Pat D'Hulster
 Greeters: Jack Parker
 Rosary: Allen J. Scovil

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS (Jan 28- Feb 3)

Tues	7:00 pm	Laverne Jones Nguyen An Thi Dylan & Margaret D'Hulster Nick Doneff
Wed	10:00 am	Mina Spanjers Denis Turcotte Daniel McGarity Shirley Hoshoooley
Thurs	7:00 pm	Marcelin Rutherford Josephine Beaulne Martin Vandeneisen Maria Heleniak
Fri	10:00 am	Joseph & Anna Caers Jose Borges In Thanksgiving for the long, joyful & faith filled life of Grace Milne
Sat	9:00 am	Lydia Burton Karl & Anna Kisilak
Sun	5:00 pm 9 & 11 am	Parishioners of St. Mary's Parishioners of St. Mary's



Let your roots go down into Christ,
 and let your lives be built on him.
 Then your faith will grow strong in the
 truth you were taught, and you will
 overflow with thankfulness.
 Colossians 2:7

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 Jack Grim, Deacon
 Brian Hanley, Deacon
 Colleen Hanley, Pastoral Minister
 Teena Mendonca, Business Manager
 Melissa Sioen, Secretary

Office Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri
 (9 am - 12 pm, 1 pm - 4 pm)

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
 Sunday Masses: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday, Thursday: 7:00 pm
 Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 am
 Saturday: 9:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 9:30 am -10:30 am or by appointment

Children's "Sunday School"

Oct to May, @ 9 am Mass

Catholic Schools

St. Joseph School: (519) 660-2783
 Msgr. O'Neil School: (519) 660-2772
 St. Mary's High School: (519) 675-4435

Baptism Preparation

Contact Father John, ext. 22

Weddings

By appointment, and 6 months notice

3RD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 27, 2019

From Colleen ...

I am enrolled in the Franciscan University Catechetical Institute taking online courses and I just completed a segment titled "How to listen to His Voice" which is very apropos considering the readings this weekend, excellent models of how we can listen to His voice in the scriptures we hear at Mass.

Ezra, a priest, lays open the book of the Law for all the people to see, praises God, reads from it with interpretation so that the people understand the reading. Similarly, in our Sunday liturgy, the Deacon carries up the book of the Gospels, we praise God singing the Gloria and we hear the Gospel read and interpreted in the homily. Jesus, in the Gospel, begins in a similar way, following the Jewish custom. He reads from the scroll (the Torah) and then interprets the Scripture in the shortest homily ever, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." I try to imagine what I would have heard if I was in the synagogue when Jesus made this proclamation. Would I have understood what Jesus said in those nine words?

For Jesus, Scripture was a living word that spoke directly to him about his own relationship with God. We too believe that scripture is a living word that can speak directly to us. I want to encourage you to consider these questions each time you read sacred Scripture:

- What word or phrase stands out for you? Why?
- With whom in the readings do you most identify? Why?
- Do you feel attracted to or resistant to anything in today's readings? Why?

How do you listen to His voice? Sometimes it is more than just using your ears. As St. Paul reminds us – we are the body of Christ. Perhaps we listen with our hands – helping one another with love and compassion. Perhaps it is with our feet – walking a path that does not conform to our cultural norms. Perhaps we listen with our eyes – choosing to see the sanctity and dignity of life. Sometimes it is our head – growing in the knowledge of our rich Catholic faith.

I want to leave you to reflect on this passage from Isaiah:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."

We are the body of Christ and individually members of it – what do you hear God calling you to do this week?

ATTENTION: Bulletin submissions must be received by 4 pm Tuesdays, thank-you for your cooperation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School is a program for children who are age 3 (or toilet trained) until they enter grade 2 to help them learn the rituals of mass and hear the Gospel story in child friendly language, through craft and song. Father John, at the beginning of Mass, calls the children forward and they process to the Parish Centre with their leader and return to you during the offertory song. This year Sunday School will be available at the Sunday 9 AM Mass. For more information please contact Colleen Hanley (chanley@dol.ca) or call the office.

CONFIRMATION NEWS

Our next preparation meetings are Saturday February 2nd (10am-noon) or Wednesday February 6th (6:30-8:30 pm) in the Father Langan Parish Centre. Please continue to pray for the candidates, their families and their sponsors.

GRADE ONE TOUR

We are very excited to have our Grade One classes join us for Mass on Wednesday January 30th at 10 am and after Mass our Grade One Classes will enjoy a tour of our Church! Please make our wee parishioners feel welcome! (Please note: there will be no OLOPH devotions that day)

FIRST COMMUNION NEWS

At all the Masses, the weekend of February 2-3, our children preparing for the Sacrament of their first Holy Communion will be recognized. They have celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation and are now preparing for Holy Communion! Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they journey towards Holy Communion Learning Centres March 22- 24th.

ANNOINTING MASS

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be available on February 13th at the 10 am Mass. Following the Mass everyone is invited to spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament praying for the sick in our parish until noon (Benediction at 11:45 am). For more information please call the parish office.

REACH OUT MINISTRY MEETING

We invite our Reach Out Ministry team members to attend an important get together on Friday February 1st after the 10 am Mass at 10:30 am in the Parish Centre room 5. A great opportunity to share best practices, grow in faith and enjoy some light refreshments.

RESPECT FOR LIFE PRAYER SERVICE:

Covenant Christian Reformed Church, 410 Lansdowne Ave., Woodstock, Monday January 28th at 7:00 pm. To car pool meet at the parking lot at St. Mary's at 6:15 pm.

STEUBENVILLE TORONTO 2019

On July 12-14, 2019 our parish will be sending a bus of youth going into high school or already in high school to this amazing Conference! If you have a child in grade eight they are eligible to come to Steubenville this year! Mark your calendars ... we all BELONG! The cost is \$200 which includes the conference, lodging, bussing and food. If you want to know more information or to secure a spot on the bus, drop of the initial payment of \$75 to the rectory or see Mrs. Hanley. Flyers are available at the back of the church.

2019 PURE LIFE SUMMIT

Calling all high school students! Save the Date for the 2019 PURE LIFE SUMMIT "Into the Deep" on FEBRUARY 9th @ St. André Bessette Catholic Secondary School from 8:30 am until 10 pm. Personal testimonies, faith sharing, opportunities for Reconciliation and Adoration, great food and a over 300 high school and university students belting out praise and worship music! Cost is \$20 for an amazing day that will change your life! We will be carpooling from St. Mary's Church – if you are interested and want more information please contact Mrs. Hanley (519-842-3324 ext.23 or chanley@dol.ca) as soon as possible.

CHILL ZONE

Chill Zone is a drop in Centre for youth in grade five and up. Youth can socialize and experience a safe community to play video and card games, participate in sports in the gym, enjoy the creativity of the craft room and find nourishment in the tuck shop! Our next Chill Zone is this Friday February 8th from 7-9 pm. We are looking for adult volunteers to help lead games or sports in the gym and to help supervise throughout the year. If you are interested please contact Colleen Hanley (519-842-3224 ext. 23 or chanley@dol.ca).

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, SPAIN & LOURDES

Join us from May 5-14, 2019 on a 10 day pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain & Lourdes with Fr. Tom Ferrera and 206 Tours, the leader in Catholic Tours! Your trip includes centrally located first class hotels, transfers, breakfast and dinner daily, transportation by air-conditioned motor coach and the assistance of a professional local guide. Fr. Tom will be offering spiritual direction and mass daily. Cost is \$3,820 per person, based on double occupancy, plus airfare. Anyone interested in this great opportunity can visit and register online at www.pilgrimages.com/frferrera. For more information please call Carol VanMoerkerke at 519-877-2355 or Karin Lansink at 519-550-0304.

DAILY MISSALS

The Daily Missals are to be used in the church only (not taken home). If you would like to purchase a subscription, please contact the office (519) 842-3224.

INFORMATION MEETING FOR PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

There will be an information meeting for the Pilgrimage to Ireland on Thursday January 31st at 2:00 pm in the FLPC , Room # 5.

THE LEGACY OF ST. PATRICK - PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

As you enjoy a 10 day tour to the Emerald Isle, you will experience the history, culture and faith of Ireland that came through the missionary efforts of St. Patrick in the 5th century. This pilgrimage includes visits to many historical churches as well as a visit to Knock, where in 1879, Mary appeared to 15 townspeople. In addition to your Irish Guide, as part of this pilgrimage, Fr. David Johnston and Fr. John Pirt will be offering daily Mass. Cost is \$2639 per person (Based on twin) - airfare extra. For further information, contact Cheryl Johnston, 855 St. Clair St., Chatham, ON N7L 0E9 Phone: 519-354-6040 or 1 877 735 5633 ext 6225 Email: cjohnston@selloffvacations.com



JUNIOR AND SENIOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

The London District Catholic School Board will be taking registrations beginning Monday, January 21, 2019 - Friday, February 8, 2019 for the 2019-2020 school year for Junior Kindergarten and for any student who did not attend a Catholic school for Junior Kindergarten but will attend for Senior Kindergarten. Children born in 2015 are eligible to attend Junior Kindergarten and children born in 2014 are eligible to attend Senior Kindergarten. We can't wait to welcome you to our school community. When you come to register at St. Joseph's Catholic School, you will need to bring the following:
*Proof of age (birth certificate), *Proof of address (e.g. property tax bill, assessment notice, purchase of sale agreement, or rental agreement, utility bill, driver's license, etc.), *Proof of baptism (i.e. baptismal record)
*Immunization Record, Please call the school at 519-660-2783 to arrange an appointment.

CASUAL NOON HOUR ASSISTANT WANTED

St. Joseph's Catholic Elementary School, Tillsonburg is currently accepting applications for a Noon Hour Assistant from 11:45-12:45 Monday to Friday. Anyone who is interested in this position, please contact Laurie Davids at 519-660-2783.

CWL PAINT DAY

Open to all CWL members and their friends. Sat Feb 23rd, (12:30 till 3:30) join your CWL members and friends as they take part in a Painting adventure. Jesse will walk us through a spring time beach scene, and although we will each be painting the same picture, the result will be as unique as the artist. Everything necessary will be supplied. Tickets are \$45.20 and \$15.00 from each ticket will go back to the CWL as a fundraising effort. Come join your friends for an afternoon of fun and laughter. You can do this! Please call Rosanne at 519-842-4372 for tickets. Thank you, Rosanne

CWL MEMBERSHIPS

Just a gentle reminder that payment is due for membership. If you do not have your envelope for 2019 membership from last year's offertory envelopes, please use a plain envelope clearly marked for CWL with your name, phone number and address. Dues are still only \$25.00 per year. We will start making phone calls in February for those late payments as well. If you are unsure if you have paid your dues, please do not hesitate to contact me. God bless, Kathy Holly 519-842-8826) kathyevelly@live.com.

COMMUNITY LIVING-CWL VALENTINE LUNCHEON & BAZAAR

On February 8, 2019 from 11:00 am to 1:30 pm at the Avondale United Church will be the Valentine Luncheon & Bazaar. Please bring your baked goods on Friday February 8, 2019 at 9:00 am to 10:00 am to Avondale United Church. Please contact Darlene Papaioannou if you have any questions at 519-842-4946.

FAMILY CATECHISM

We are a group that offers family faith formation in a welcoming setting - teaching your children the fundamentals of the Catholic Faith with other like minded parents is fun and effective! We offer classes for JK - Gr. 9, as well as an adult video and discussion. Our next meeting is on Sunday, February 3 at 2:55 pm in the Father Langan Parish Centre. For more information please visit www.famfi.ca or talk to John & Karin Lansink at 519-550-0304.

