

PRAY PLEASE FOR:

The Holy Souls in Purgatory

*I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD
(Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).*

WEEK AT A GLANCE (Feb 4 - 10)

Mon	1:30 pm	Bible Study
	8:00 pm	Right to Life
	8:00 pm	AA
Tues	10:00	FDK Tour of the Church
	1:30 pm	Celebrate the Word
	7:30 pm	Liturgy Meeting
Wed	9:30 am	Rosary
	10:30 am	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion
	1:30 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
	5:00 pm	Friendship Dinner
	6:30 pm	Confirmation-Decision Point
	6:30 pm	Folk Choir Practice
Thurs	11:30 am	Jollymakers - Bingo
	7:45 pm	RCIA
Fri	9:30 am	Divine Mercy Chaplet
	7:00 pm	Chill Zone
Sat	9:30 am	Confessions
Sun	9:00 am	Sunday School
	7:00 pm	High School Ministry

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.

Altar Server (Feb 26 & 28) Theresa Cuff

WEEKLY OFFERTORY – JAN 26/27

Regular Envelope	\$ 4510.90
Initial Envelope	\$ 45.00
Parish Centre	\$ 220.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 110.00
Loose	\$ 304.65
Capital/Building Fund	\$ 675.00
Total	\$5865.55



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (Feb 9/10)

Saturday (5 pm)

Commentator: Carla Matos
 1st, 2nd Lector: Moma Fardella, Veronica Holly
 Gift Bearer: Merna Vermeeren
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Dave Bertling, Linda Bertling, Heather Campbell, Valerie Claessens
 Greeter: Merna Vermeeren
 Rosary: Helen Borbely

Sunday (9 am)

Commentator: Mae Feeny
 1st, 2nd Lector: Anne Stancek, Andrew Stancek
 Gift Bearers: Maurice & Margaret Verhoeve
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Carol Van Moerkerke, Eric Van Moerkerke, Mary Virag, Barb Compeau
 Greeter: Ann Schroder
 Rosary: John Oliveira

Sunday (11 am)

Commentator: Kim Smith
 1st, 2nd Lector: Elizabeth Czomba, Helen Borbely
 Gift Bearer: Linda DeSutter & Tim & Laurie Monk
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Barry Bruder, Nora Marie Bruder, Vicky Luki, Ted Novakowski
 Greeters: Debbie & Dan Verbrugge
 Rosary: Norbert Vanhooren

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS (Feb 4 - 10)

Tues	7:00 pm	Denis Turcotte Joe Rego Sheild Hoshooley
Wed	10:00 am	Robert Montgomery Gary Smithers Cahrlotte Antonisson
Thurs	3:30 pm	Mass-Tillsonburg Retirement Centre Paul Herman
	7:00 pm	Nguyen AnThi Brian Stephenson Hank Schroder
Fri	10:00 am	Lynda Cormier Nick Doneff Margaret Latos
Sat	9:00 am	Deceased members: Sen Than Family Eunice Parent Paul Kosynski & Family
	5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sun	9 & 11 am	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

4TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 3, 2019

From the Desk of Fr John

1. My recent holidays

I had a wonderful time away in the Canary Islands. The Canary Islands, located off the coast of Morocco, are part of Spain and are very safe! The island I visited was Tenerife, the largest of the islands and the most popular with tourists - over one million tourists a year from all parts of Europe. The weather was absolutely perfect - 22 - 25 degrees Celsius and no humidity. I traveled with Fr Danny Santos (my Associate Pastor from Leamington). We literally walked great distances - one day we walked 26 km! It was a great time of relaxation and recreation. In spite of the weather, it is always good to get back to the parish.

2. Families of Parishes

While I was away, Bishop Fabbro announced the next parishes which will be part of the Families of Parishes. We are not part of this phase of the implementation. Six new Families will be established on July 2nd of this year. There will be three new Families in the Essex/Windsor area, two in the Chatham/Kent area and in St Thomas. The Bishop announced the following about the St. Thomas Family: "Rev. Graham Keep, currently Pastor of the clustered parishes of Holy Angels and St. Anne, St. Thomas and Parish Administrator of Our Lady of Sorrows, Aylmer, has been appointed Pastor of the new Family of Parishes of Our Lady of Sorrows, Aylmer, Holy Angels, St. Thomas, St. Anne, St. Thomas, and St. Mary, West Lorne, which includes St. Helen Church, Wallacetown. Rev. John Johnson, currently Associate Pastor of the clustered parishes of Holy Angels and St. Anne, St. Thomas and Rev. Mark Maloney, currently Parochial Vicar of St. Justin, London, have been appointed Associate Pastors of the Family."

So, Families of Parishes are coming! One step we have taken, is that we have already moved to a common website for our Family (a work in progress). I should note that if you are looking for our Bulletin, it is found on the Saturday of the particular weekend. The Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Team will be dealing with this issue and will be looking at ways that will help us prepare for the implementation of our Family - St. Mary's, Tillsonburg, Sacred Heart, Langton and St. Michael's, Walsh. I am sure that I will have more to share in the future.

Have a great week!
Fr John

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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

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.

FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN CLASS TOUR

We are very excited to have Mrs. Burgess & Ms. Hutchison's FDK class come Tuesday February 5th at 10 am to enjoy a tour of our Church! There is nothing like the excitement of little voices and feet in God's house!

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.

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).

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.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study will resume this Monday, February 4th, at 1:30 pm in the rectory meeting room. New members welcome; bring a bible. For more information, phone Deacon Andre at 519 913 3533.

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.

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.

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 17 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.



THE LEGACY OF ST. PATRICK - PILGRIMAGE TO

IRELAND

As you enjoy a 10 day tour to the Emerald Isle, from September 24-October 3, 2019, 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

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.

ONLINE STUDIES FOR PARISH NURSES & HEALTH CARE WORKERS

The Institute for Ongoing Formation at St. Peter's Seminary has partnered with the University of Dayton, Ohio to offer online education programs. All nurses and other health-care workers are invited to enroll for their own personal and/or professional development. "Parish Nursing: Facilitating Wholistic Health Through the Lifespan" addresses topics through the ages, from childhood until the end of life. Many other online courses are also offered. Register by March 6. Course dates: Mar 10 - Apr 13. For more information, visit www.stpetersseminary.ca/Programs/Parish-Nursing/21 under the "Online Studies" heading on the Parish Nursing page.

LIFE AT ST. PETER'S SEMINARY VIDEO

To watch a short video about vocations and life at St. Peter's Seminary, please visit the seminary Facebook page at www.facebook.com/SPSeminary. Please pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and please keep the students and faculty of the seminary in your prayers. To learn more about St. Peter's Seminary visit www.stpetersseminary.ca.

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.



The Little Ones Jim Burrows

I'M WRITING THE WORLD'S BEST LOVE SONGS, WITH MUSIC LIKE PAUL MCCARTNEY AND LYRICS LIKE PAUL THE APOSTLE



Brothers and sisters: Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous, it bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails. 1 Cor 13:4, 7-8