



EAST WINDSOR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

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Sunday, February 18, 2024

First Sunday of Lent

"Repent and believe in the good news." With these words Jesus proclaims that the Kingdom of God is here. As we listen to these words ourselves, two things are required of us as we begin this journey, two actions which will define how successful our conversion is going to be! First, we hear the word "repent". This means that we must change. Change our hearts, attitudes, behaviour, sinful ways. Repent means a complete and total change relying on God's grace to allow this to happen. That means we must pray for openness and flexibility to allow the Lord to work in our lives. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be an important tool to help us with this part of the journey.

Secondly, we must believe. Believe in God's promises to be our strength. Believe in God's unconditional love shown to us in the ministry of Jesus. Believe that anything and everything is possible if we truly allow God into our lives. This is the heart of conversion and it begins today and we are given these 40 days to immerse ourselves in the experience of God's love and grace.

Through prayer, fasting and works of mercy our Lenten journey will be filled opportunities to grow in discipleship. How will we listen to the good news proclaimed to us this Lent?



"If everyone took only what was needed and gave the rest to those in need, there would be no such thing as rich and poor." **St. Basil**

Pastoral Team

Pastor:

Fr. Rob Rocheleau

Associate Pastor:

Fr. Jim Higgins

Pastoral Minister:

Rachelle Leslie

Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry:

Maria Mollica

Priest Chaplains to St. Anthony:

Fr. Barnabas Kiss OFM & Fr. Angelus Ligeti OFM

Mass Schedule

Saturday

5 pm Our Lady of the Atonement

5 pm St. John Vianney

Sunday

8:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

9:30 am St. John Vianney

10:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

11:00 am mass St. John Vianney

11:30 am St. Anthony of Padua Hungarian

CSJV, 3rd Sunday of the month

Sacrament of Reconciliation

1st Saturday 11 am - noon @ SJV

3rd Saturday 11 am - noon @ OLA

or by appointment

Baptism

Contact the Pastoral Minister to discuss baptism.

Marriage

Contact the office at least eight months in advance.

Marriage preparation is required.

Sacrament of the Sick

Communal Celebrations Seasonally.

Individually anytime - Speak to one of the priests.

Office Hours

Monday: 9 am-3 pm

Tuesday-Friday: 9 am-4pm

Vocations Calendar Please pray for...	Mass Intentions
Tuesday, February 20 9 am @ SJV Fr. Mark Poulin	Leonardo Patolot -His Family Arlene Lehoux -Roger Lehoux Petra Dumlao -Her Family Ruth De Guzman - Zen, Rose, Kyla & Shawna Rudy Querin -William Gachnik Souls in Purgatory -F.O.S.S.
Wednesday, February 21 9 am @ OLA Fr. Cecil Nunez	Aniceta "Virgie" Sama - husband, Ali Sami & Family Ernie Cabagay -Penny Craig Giovanna Scerri - Marthese & Joseph Tomazic Virginia Benedet -Leo & Family Mark Pflanzner -Mom Ed Pflanzner -wife Geri.
Thursday, February 22 9 am @ SJV <i>Feast of the Chair of St.</i> <i>Peter the Apostle</i> Dcn. Anthony Rebkowec	Simone Mellot - Bonita Elahee-Kearns Guido Bevacqua - brother-in-law Italo & Family Tom Zakoor -Barb Morris
Friday, February 23 9 am @ OLA <i>St. Polycarp</i> Mrs. Margaret Olszewski Pastoral Minister OLA: 6 pm Exposition of the Eucharist 7 pm Stations of the Cross	Maria Dundara - daughter, Dorina & Family Darla MacMaster & James Manning - Sandy, Kendall & Imelda Emerita Balingit -Maravilla Family Dave Hodgeson -K of C #8919 Avitus D'Sa -K of C #8919 Winfred MacDonald -K of C #8919
Saturday, February 24 5 pm @ OLA & SJV Fr. Ronaldo Tagnines	Intentions of the Parishioners
Sunday, February 25 2nd Sunday of Lent 8:30 & 10:30 am @OLA 9:30 am @ SJV Mrs. Kim Bornais Coord. of Youth Ministry	Intentions of the Parishioners



Parish Family Youth Group

Thank you to all those who came to our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. It was a great success and \$980.00 was raised for Street Help. Thanks to all those who helped with this event. Youth group will resume on Tuesday, February 20th.

UPCOMING NURSING HOME MASSES 2 pm

February 27 @ Aspen Lake

March 5 @ Riverside Place

March 12 @ Heron Terrace

Volunteers should arrive at 1:30 pm in order to greet the residents. Please check the doors as you enter for any masking requirements.

FIRST RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION



Congratulations to the children who will receive their First Reconciliation this week. May they always know how much Jesus loves them and always seek Him out for the gift of forgiveness.

Celebrations are:

Tues. Feb. 20th 4-6 pm at SJV;

Thurs. Feb. 22 4-6 pm at OLA.

Drop in at anytime during those hours.

If you are unable to make your scheduled day, speak to Rachelle or Maria and you can bring your child on Saturday, March 2nd 11 am to noon at St. John Vianney.

OUR LENTEN JOURNEY



Friday, February 23rd:
 6 pm Adoration of the Eucharist; 6-6:30 pm Confessions; 7 pm

Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of the Atonement

2nd Sunday of Lent Works of Mercy

Bring in toothbrushes, toothpaste, mouthwash, bars of soap, deodorant, shampoo, disposable razors, shaving cream, Kleenex, toilet paper

RECONCILIATION



Saturday, March 2 @ SJV 11 am to noon

Saturday, March 16 @ OLA 11 am to noon

Confession is also available on Fridays during Lent, 6-6:30 pm during Adoration of the Eucharist before Stations. Check the Lent schedule for location.

There is a Time for Everything under Heaven...

Let us all pray for all those who are in need of healing, at home, nursing homes or in hospital, and all those who care for them. Let us pray also for our deceased parishioners and family members who have died:

Irene Bezaire, Paul Kostuch, Lynn LaBranche, Fr. Lawrence Pare, Pamela Pickle, Alfredo Santarossa

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.
 May the Risen Lord bring peace and comfort to those who mourn.*

FYI: TAX RECEIPTS not picked up this weekend will be mailed this week. You should receive them within a week or two. Thank you for your support.

Update on St. Anthony of Padua Hungarian Community: We will gather for mass on **Sunday March 17th at 11:30 am at St. John Vianney Church** and have planned for the 3rd Sunday of the next four months: March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16.

JOB POSTING-BUSINESS MANAGER FOR 2 FAMILIES OF PARISHES

Our Family of Parishes together with the Lasalle River Canard Family of Parishes are seeking a qualified individual to assume the responsibility of the Business Manager for these two large Families.

The posting is on the Diocese website: dol.ca

Go to the "contact us" tab and under employment opportunities you will find all the relevant information. This position will take a lot of the administrative load off the pastor's hands so we can more readily focus on the pastoral side of things. The costs will be shared between the 2 families to make it more affordable. This is the model a number of families are veering towards. Buildings, contracts, finances take up an incredible amount of our time and it is our hope this position will be of great benefit to our 2 families and to us as Pastors.

Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board

Kindergarten Registration

www.wecdsb.on.ca

Tuesday, February 20th to Friday March 1st, 2024

For your added convenience,
the Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board invites you to attend
an Open House/Evening Registration at your local Catholic School.

Wednesday February 21st from 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Requirements: Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate
Health Card and Immunization Record

Junior Kindergarten: Children must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2024

Senior Kindergarten: Children must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2024



Chicken Pot Pies: CWL(OLA) sell small chicken pot pies for \$6 each every Monday in Parish Hall from 1pm-3pm. No pies sales on Mondays that fall on a holiday (Feb 19, Mar 25 (Holy Week), Apr 01, May 20). Thanks for your support!

What's Happening

Tues. Feb 20 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Parish Family Youth Group (Atonement Family Centre)
Tues. Feb 20 @ 4-6 pm	SJV	First Reconciliation (Church)
Tues. Feb 20 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	SSVDP Mtg. (St. Francis)
Thurs. Feb 22 @ 4-6 pm	OLA	First Reconciliation (Church)
Thurs. Feb 29 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	First Eucharist Class (Atonement Family Centre)
Mon. Mar 4 @ 7 pm	SJV	SSVDP (Hall)
Tues. Mar 5 @ 7 pm	OLA	K of C #8919 (St. Francis)
Wed Mar 6 @ 6:45 pm	SJV	First Eucharist Class (Hall)
Wed. Mar 6 @ 7:30 pm	OLA	Parish Family Prayer Group (St. Francis)

Come and See Weekend

Friday, March 9, to Sunday March 11, 2024. St. Peter's Seminary invites you to a discernment retreat for men 17 years old and older that are considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a firsthand experience of the life of a seminarian, provides spiritual help for discernment and offers the opportunity to meet current seminarians and faculty of St. Peter's Seminary.

Please get in touch with Fr. Danny Santos at vocations@dol.ca for more information about this event. To register, visit the website at www.dolpriest.ca/discernwithothers.

This year, Development & Peace-Caritas Canada's



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Create Hope: Reaping our Rights campaign calls you to stand with small-scale farmers and peasant communities who feed the world while caring for the Earth. Do this by

1. Donating online at devp.org/give or during the Solidarity Sunday collection March 17. Your generosity helps support over 73 projects in 36 countries around the world.
2. Learning more by reading the Mini-Magazine and other resources available at devp.org/lent/resources.

LITURGICAL UPDATES

We will be embarking upon some liturgical formation over the next few months. We hope to be able to resume the distribution of the Precious Blood in the Easter Season and this is an opportune time to do some catechesis on the Eucharist and our celebration of liturgy. It is good to be reminded of the importance of the gift of the Eucharist, the postures involved with liturgy, the role of God's Word, the various ministries that enable us to worship, the responsibility we all have to participate fully and consciously as the documents of Vatican II remind us, the importance of singing etc.

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