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February 6, 2022 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time A Message From Fr. Rob...

In these early weeks of Ordinary Time, we hear the calling of the first disciples as Jesus begins his public ministry. Today's readings are all about "the call." Isaiah feels unworthy to be a prophet thinking he is not up to the task. God promises to be with him and give him the strength he needs. Paul reminds the Corinthians that they are to be centred in the Eucharist, mindful of the grace that is available to all of us when we pray together and share in the Eucharist. He knows of his own unworthiness but is confident that the Spirit of God is with him and each one of us each day. The fisherman do what Jesus asks, letting down their nets and are amazed at the catch of fish. Jesus calls them, and while initially feeling they are unworthy because of their own deficiencies and misdeeds, they trust and lay down their nets and begin a new life following the Lord.

Our call is an amazing gift. Initially sometimes we feel unworthy because of who we think we are or perhaps what we feel we lack. God is not interested in our mistakes nor does God ever want us to feel we are beyond the gift of love and mercy.

God knows everything about us and loves us unconditionally. Jesus invites us to reflect on the grace of our baptism and what it means to be a disciple. We have all been given everything we need to be messengers of the Gospel and to proclaim the Kingdom.

I am happy to be back in the saddle and look forward to seeing all of you over the next 2 weekends as I begin to celebrate mass again with our Family. I am grateful for your prayers during this time of personal and spiritual renewal. God has been very good to me and I have learned a lot about myself and have received many graces. I now have the tools to slow down, live at a more balanced human pace and set more realistic expectations for myself.

I am thankful to Bishop Fabbro and Bishop Dabrowski for this opportunity for renewal. I thank Fr. Jim, Maria and Rachelle for their hard work and stepping in to do extra and to our dedicated parish staff for their work. Thanks also to Fr. Bob Champagne and Fr. Gary Goyeau for coming out of retirement these past months to share the Gospel with us. It is deeply appreciated.

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

New Mass Schedule (Temporary times due to COVID-19):

Saturday

5 pm Our Lady of the Atonement 5 pm St. John Vianney

Sunday

8:30 am Our Lady of the Atonment for St. Vincent de Paul Parish 9:00 am St. John Vianney 10:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement The mass for Hungarian Community is on hold for time being

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available by appointment only at this time.

Call the office to arrange a time.

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 8 9 am @ SJV St. Josephine Bakhita Mrs. Rita Butler Coordn. of Youth Ministry	Ken Bondy 3rd Anniversary- wife Heather & Family Carlo J. Beni-mom Anita Jeremiah Beni- grandmother, Anita
Wednesday, February 9 9 am @ OLA Mrs. Leonia Downie	Rick Marion- Margie Rathwell & SJV Choir Lu Cecile- The Perreault Family Egle Pergolesi- Catholic Women's League Isabelle Mc Keeve- Catholic Women's League
Pastoral Minister	Tiffany Harris-Kay Mac Lellan Joseph Ferranti-wife, Cecile
Thursday, February 10 9 am @ SJV St. Scholastica Fr. Gerald Craig O.F.M. Cap	Ida Patella- son Italo & Family Ernie Normandeau- Richard Normandeau Katharen Hynes- K of C. #9865
Friday, February 11 9 am @ OLA Our Lady of the Lourdes	In Thanksgiving of 66 years of Marriage-Joe & Elsie Mc Taggart John Miller 25th Anniversary- Paula & Family Caridad & Augusto Martinez- Nina & Eric Exaltacion Ama & Sona Tan-
Fr. Arthur Hathaway C.S.B.	Susan, Lina & Jun Don Kearns-wife, Bonita Nick Mucciaccio 14th Anniversary- wife Anna Maria & Family
Saturday, February 12 Mass 5 pm @ OLA Mass 5 pm @ SJV	Intentions of the Parishioners
Mrs. Christine Toffolon Pastoral Minister	
Sunday, February 13 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am & 10:30 @ OLA 9:00 am @ SJV	Intentions of the Parishioners
Fr. Glen Ball	

The Pope Francis Fund – Application Process is Open

The Pope Francis Fund has opened the application process for grants to be distributed in 2022. Last year eight organizations received funding and this year a total of \$46,500 is available.

"Organizations are encouraged to apply to the Pope Francis Fund for grants for charitable works that help the poor. Application details and criteria are available at www.dol.ca." The application process closes on February 28.



Synod Video

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An excellent explanatory video about the "Synod on Synodality" has been released. It has all you need to know from what does

synodality mean to what can you do to help the process. The video helps both staff parishioners and others understand this important undertaking by the Church. It has also been added to our diocesan Synod page:

https://dol.ca/synod-2021-202

Come and See Virtual Weekend - February 11 to 12

St. Peter's Seminary invites you to a virtual 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, provide spiritual help for discernment and offer the opportunity for prayer and reflection. Please contact Fr. Danny Santo at vocations@dol.ca for more information or to register visit our website at www.dolpriest.ca/registration.

Annual Parish Missions Collection-TODAY

We are blessed as a Family of Parishes to support a number of mission projects in Northern Canada, Africa, South America, Haiti and India. This weekend, envelopes are in the offertory boxes and there are extras at the doors of the church. You can return them over the next few weekends. Donations can be made year round as well.

We are grateful for your on-going support of this annual collection and for your prayerful support of the Missions. Even with reduced income because of COVID, we were still able to distribute over \$6000 to our partners last year. **THANK YOU!**

Be sure to include your name and address on the offertory envelope. May the Lord bless our mission partners with strength and peace as they live out their missionary calling.

The Diocese of London's Virtual Share Lent Workshop

Join Development and Peace - Caritas Canada, the official development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada, for a night of prayer, music, fellowship and fun. Using the "see, judge, act" model of reflection, we will celebrate the impact of our solidarity in the Global South, and brainstorm ways to "hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor".

Thursday, February 17 @ 7:00 - 8:30pm. To register visit: Events - Development and Peace (devp.org). Other dates available on the site.

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:

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.



Sacrament of Baptism

We warmly welcome into our family through the waters of baptism:

Amelia, Charlie & Mackenzie Boutette

Please contact Rachelle in the parish office for any baptism inquiries (519)735-6023 x 32.

We continue to celebrate baptisms with families, following the governmental health protocols in place. Rachelle would be happy to discuss and explain all the essentials when you speak with her.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES 2022



Because of COVID and many people still not attending mass, we are in Offering need of vol Envelopes remaining need of volunteers to help us get the boxes of offertory envelopes to our parishioners. If you

have some time and wouldn't mind taking a street or two or especially an apartment where you live, speak to one of the team after mass and they can help you pick up the appropriate boxes and begin the distribution. Or call the office to volunteer. We appreciate any help in this project. We rely on the financial support of all of our parishioners.



Information has been sent home via the 4 schools affiliated with the parish. The information is also on our website.

For families with children in public, French immersion or French first language schools, please consult our parish website: eastwindsorcatholic.dol.ca.

At this time we have not established a firm schedule as we are in the planning stages. We are looking at LENT for Reconciliation and after Easter for Eucharist.

Confirmation



Our Third Session video should be on our webpage this weekend.

Confirmation will be celebrated at special masses at 6:30 pm on February 22 and 24 at St. John Vianney and February 23, 25 & 28 at Our Lady

Please keep our confirmation candidates in your prayers.

Tax Receipts

Tax Receipts are being prepared. Once they are ready, they will be mailed to your homes.

If your address has changed please contact the office asap. Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board **Kindergarten Registration** www.wecdsb.on.ca

of the Atonement.

Tuesday, February 22nd to Friday March 4th, 2022

For your added convenience. the Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board Invites you to attend a Virtual Open House @ www.wecdsb.on.ca

Wednesday February 23rd beginning at 5:00pm Visit www.wecdsb.on.ca

Junior Kindergarten: Children must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2022 Senior Kindergarten: Children must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2022



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