



EAST WINDSOR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

Our Lady of the Atonement | St. Anthony of Padua | St. John Vianney

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Sunday, March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

“Christ became obedient for us to death, even death on a cross. Therefore God exalted him and gave him the name above every name.” (Philippians 2:8-9) Our week begins with the understanding that Jesus embraces the Cross willingly for our salvation. He is obedient to His Father’s will and makes this journey to death and resurrection. We are invited to journey along with Him. This week is meant to be a time of prayer, silence, meditation. See what can be put aside in order to focus on the Lord’s Passion. Invite the Lord to be your strength so that each of us can carry the cross with Him. It is always humbling for us on Good Friday as we process silently and reverently to venerate the Cross together.

Holy Thursday reminds us of the gift of the Eucharist and how this gift involves the call to serve our sisters and brothers. The Easter Vigil will find us reflecting on God’s loving presence throughout salvation history and the promise of new life that comes to us in baptism. We will welcome new members into the church through the sacraments of initiation. And of course Easter Sunday will be our day of joy as we announce the Risen Lord and the new life that is ours. Plan to come and pray together these special liturgies of Holy Week and allow the Lord’s grace to fill us.

MANY THANKS: to Fr. Bob Champagne and Fr. Gary Goyeau for their pastoral presence with us these last two months while Fr. Jim recuperated from knee surgery. We have appreciated your kindness and sharing your priesthood with us. May God bless you this Holy Week! Welcome back Fr. Jim!

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

11:30 am St. Anthony of Padua Hungarian

@ SJV, 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, March 26 9 am @ SJV <i>The Seminarians of the Diocese of London</i>	Joanne Normandeau-Richard Normandeau Esperanzo Valerio-her Daughter & Family Giuseppe, Giovanna & Cheryl DeBenedetti -John & Virginia Soave Alessandro & Giuseppina Pasqualina- John & Virginia Soave Bill Couvion (9th Ann.)- wife Sandra & Family Deceased Members of the Murza Family- Helen Biales
Wednesday, March 27 9 am @ OLA Fr. A. Velanganni O.F.M. Cap	Marietta Magat Cunanan-Her Family Theresa Levesque-Richard Levesque Susan Fregonese-Onorina & Family Maria Murphy-Marleen Crawford David Masse-wife, Barb Masse Janet Patihk-brother John



The Good Friday Collection is taken at the request of the Holy See. It is for the support of social, educational and parish projects of the Church throughout the Holy Land, and it helps to assure the Church's presence and a measure of security and peace for our brothers and sisters. Please give generously to support the Church of the Holy Land our brothers and sisters in their need. Envelopes are in the offertory boxes.

HOLY WEEK IN OUR FAMILY OF PARISHES

Holy Thursday: March 28th 7 pm
 Mass of the Lord's Last Supper
 followed by Adoration of the Eucharist until 10 pm
 at St. John Vianney.



Good Friday: March 29th Passion of the Lord
 3 pm at both churches



Holy Saturday: March 30th Easter Vigil
 7 pm at Our Lady of the Atonement

Easter Sunday: March 31st Resurrection of the Lord
 8:30 am & 10:30 am at Our Lady of the Atonement
 9:30 am at St. John Vianney



UPCOMING NURSING HOME MASSES 2 pm
March 26 @ Aspen Lake –no mass this month
April 2 @ Riverside Place
April 9 @ 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.

Message from Catholic Cemeteries
 Dear Families,
 To ensure the beauty and safety of our grounds, we will soon be performing our annual spring cleanup of the Cemeteries.
 We kindly ask that you remove the following items before March 31, 2024:

- Memorial wreaths
- Artificial flowers not in a vase
- All keepsakes, mementos, statues, anything made of glass, solar lights, ANY LOOSE OBJECTS

These items can pose a safety hazard during maintenance activities, so **anything that remains will be respectfully disposed of**. We understand that these items often hold sentimental value, so we encourage you to remove them ahead of time.
 Acceptable Alternatives: Fresh flowers in approved bronze/Metal vase.
 Please direct any questions direct to Linda Rochon Perrone at 519-969-4836 or lrochonperrone@dol.ca

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:
Doreen Ballard, Domenic Stramacchia, Irene Szokan
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.



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Thank you for giving from the heart to Share Lent 2024. Your donations will help support our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

If you have not yet had a chance to give, you can still place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory or donate online at: devp.org/give. **Please make cheques payable to your respective parish. Thank you for continuing to pray for all those who are working to build a world of peace and justice.**

PARISH YOUTH GROUP: Our youth group will gather on Tuesday, March 26th 6:30–8 pm for a special time of reflection and prayer to prepare themselves for the Easter Triduum.

Parish Finance Report for 2023: with the closure of St. Vincent de Paul parish and subsequent sale of the building, our year end reports were delayed because of what is involved with CRA when a charity ceases operations. The sale of the building took place in May 2023 and the final closeout of bank accounts, GST remittances etc. occurred in December which affected the final statements for Our Lady of the Atonement. The finance committee will meet April 4th to review the data and then prepare the year-end statement for insertion in the bulletin.

Church Cleaning for Easter
Come and help us prepare the churches for Holy Week: **Monday**, March 25th OLA at 9:30 am. **Tuesday**, March 26th at SJV at 9:30 am. We need to tidy up after Palm Sunday and make things bright and beautiful for Easter. Thanks.

BUILDING UPDATE: you may have noticed the years have not been kind to either of our church parking lots, especially the one at St. John Vianney. We are presently working with the Diocesan Building Coordinator to investigate what needs to be done for repairs. Stay tuned.

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2024 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

What's Happening

Tues. Mar 26 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Parish Family Youth Group (Atonement Family Centre)
Wed. Mar. 27 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	First Eucharist Class (Atonement Family Centre)
Tues. Apr. 2 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Parish Family Youth Group (Atonement Family Centre)
Tues. Apr. 2 @ 7pm	OLA	K of C #8919 (St. Francis)
Wed. Apr. 3 @ 6:45 pm	OLA	First Eucharist Class (Vianney Hall)
Wed. Apr. 3 @ 7:30 pm	OLA	Prayer Group
Thurs. Apr. 4 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	First Eucharist Class (Atonement Family Centre)
Thurs. Apr 4 @ 7 pm	OLA	Parish Finance Committee

**2024 Benefit Dinner
for Our Lady of Guadalupe Home**


Enjoy a meal and listen to mothers who have lived in our home tell of their experience!

**Thursday, April 25, 2024, at the CABOTO CLUB
(doors open at 6, dinner at 7)**

Call Marina: 519-962-4861 to reserve your tickets!


Although tickets are free, this event is our major FUNDRAISER: an opportunity donate to OLG Home in place of paying for dinner. Tax receipts will be issued at a later date. Proceeds provide a safe home for mothers in crisis and their babies. Bring family and friends for a lovely meal and support Our Lady of Guadalupe Home!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #9528
Bottle Drive for Special Olympics will be held on Saturday, April 6th in the parking lot at St. John Vianney church. Set aside your cans and bottles and plan to drop off between 9 am and 2:30 pm. Thank you for your support.

 **Knights of Columbus #8919
Good Friday Fish Fry**
Good Friday, March 29 4:30-7:30 pm– doors will not open until the Good Friday service is complete.

1pc Haddock \$15, 2pc Haddock \$20
10 pc Shrimp \$20, 8 pc Scallops \$20
Combo Platter (Shrimp, Scallops, Haddock) \$25
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