

Cluster Parishes of

St. John de Brebeuf

Cluster Office

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Mass:
Sunday 11:00 a.m.

St. Anthony of Padua

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Pastor Res: 519-738-2556

Masses:
Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m.

Star of the Sea (Mission)

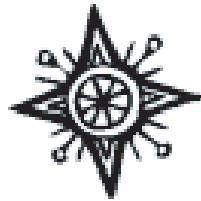
Pelee Island

Mass once a month weather permitting

Call office for time

e-mail: johnanthony@dol.ca

www.johnanthony.dol.ca



Nativity of Our Lord



DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

****No Masses December 27 ~ 30, 2011**

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES for 2012

Offertory Envelopes for 2012 are ready for pick up this weekend.

St. Anthony of Padua ~ are available on the **last pew at the back of the Church**

St. John de Brebeuf ~ are available in the **Church Hall/ Basement**

Please note that names are in alphabetical order. **Some ID numbers have been changed, so please be sure to identify your name and mailing information. Please contact the office if there are any errors.

PAD users please pick up your box of Special Envelopes.

Also, please **DO NOT USE** these envelopes **UNTIL January 1, 2012.**

New Year's Masses ~ 2011-2012

St. Anthony's

New Year's

Saturday, December 31st ~ 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 1st 2012 ~10:00 am

St. John de Brebeuf

New Year's

Saturday, December 31st ~ 5:00 pm

Sunday, January 1st 2012 ~ 10:00 am



Ministers of the Altar (SJ & SA)

Sacristans, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers
& Altar Servers (Adult & Youth)

Sign up sheets for New Years are in the Sac-

CONFIRMATION

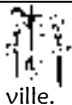
If you **did not attend the Parent's meeting** please stop by the **Church office to register your child** for this sacrament. You will need a copy of their baptism certificate (if not baptized in our cluster parishes) **DEADLINE to register is January 13, 2012.** Registration forms can be found on our website: www.johnanthony.dol.ca or at the church office.

CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS NEEDED

We are looking for 6 people at both St. Anthony's and St. John's to help with our Confirmation program to serve as catechist. Catechists will lead a small table group of 6-8 candidates. Training will be provided.

St. Anthony's classes are on **Tuesdays** (beginning with Mass at 7pm until 9pm) on Jan 24, 31 & Feb 7.

St. John's classes are on **Wednesdays** (beginning with Mass at 7pm until 9pm) on Jan 25, Feb 1 & 8.



We are wanting to train new YOUTH ALTAR SERVERS

In both Harrow & Kingsville. Children must be in grade 4 or older to serve in this ministry. If interested or any questions please **call Lisa @733-6591**. We will be having a training meeting in the near future. *Please watch the bulletin for time and place.*

A very special *Thank You* to our Catholic Women's League of St. John's Church for hosting our reception for our children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation and their families. Your hospitality is always inviting.

From the Pastor



Dear Parishioners, Bob & Monica Hollingsworth have been the caretakers of our St. John de Brebeuf Church and rectory since 2003 (8 years)! Both of them have come to the decision that now was the time to hang up the mops and pails and retire. I wish to publicly thank both Monica & Bob for their dedicated and faithful service provided over the years. It was always a great comfort to know that the heat or air would be on, the walks shoveled, the rugs vacuumed and the doors locked. To both of you, thank you most sincerely for a job well done and may God bless you with your health as you turn another page in your journal.

A parish Thank You will be held in the early New Year after a Sunday Mass, where all will have an opportunity to say thank you.

Having said farewell to Bob & Monica, I now welcome Mike Chomysyn to our parish team. Mike took over on December 1 and is still getting his feet wet **LITERALLY!** The last big rain we had identified a **BIG** leak originating in the church steeple at St. John's. Simply put ... big problems are awaiting to be fixed. We've been in contact with the diocesan office and we will be meeting in the new year to discuss the plan of attack. Mike brings a wealth of knowledge in many areas affecting the parish buildings and grounds. **Welcome Mike!**

Many thanks and appreciation are extended to our Knights of Columbus (St. John's) for generously offering to cut down and remove many trees and bushes on the property. Many things have been let go over the years and its time to "clean-up" our surroundings. You may have noticed how much cleaner and open it looks around the church ... more to come (or I should say, GO!) Thanks to Steve Benson and his team of Knights for their help.

AND to our C.W.L. (St. John's) a grateful acknowledgement of the financial donation to cover the costs of our new Roman Missals. That's the book I use daily. We are all still getting used to the new language and postures, so don't get discouraged because "The Lord be (is) with you"! ~ Fr. Rick



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS & RELIGIOUS

- 26. Rev. Stephen Bodnar
- 27. Rev. Lawrence Mousseau
- 28. Rev. Martin (Sam) Johnson
- 29. Rev. Antoine Laforet
- 30. Rev. James Roche
- 31. Deacon Andre Dedecker



Christmas Flower Donations

Memorial Names will be published in next week-ends "New Years Day" Bulletin.

Thank you to all who donated to the Christmas Flower Fund.



Christmas in Heaven

~ **Candlelight Prayer Service** for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Tuesday, **December 27, 2011**, 4:30 pm, St. Francis Mausoleum, Heavenly Rest Cemetery. Pre- sident: Fr. Chris Bourdeau Music: Maria Connel. For information 519-969-4836

Roman Missal Changes

Since we have begun the new changes a question has come up multiple times. **"When exactly do we sit down at communion time?"** The directive from the Diocese is that we remain standing until the last person has received Communion and then we are to sit **or** kneel in personal prayer until the Blessed Sacrament has been returned to the tabernacle. We hope this clears up any confusion. We know this is a learning process and will take time for all to feel comfortable with the new postures and responses.

WELCOMING MINISTRY

We are looking for parishioners who would be interested in being part of our new welcoming ministry. This would involve calling and possibly visiting new parishioners to make them feel welcome and at home in our parish.

If you would like to be a part of this ministry, call Lisa @**519-733-6591**.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

- Closed Tuesday, Dec. 27
- Closed Wednesday, Dec. 28
- Open Thursday, Dec. 29
- Open Friday, Dec. 30
- Closed Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2012
- Open Wednesday, Jan. 4



For everything there is a season ... A time to die ...
Infant Baby Ethan Parsons, Starr Hamel



May they rest in peace



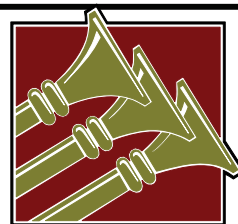
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FROM THE PASTORAL MINISTERS DESK..... On behalf of Fr.

Rick, Deacon Dennis and the whole Parish Team, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We pray that this Christmas season be a blessed and grace-filled one for you and your families. We wish to thank all of you for your many Christmas remembrances expressed through your gifts, cards and prayers sent our way. Our cluster parishes are so blessed with wonderful parishioners who give their time and talents to make our masses and parishes vibrant every week. In a special way we would like to thank the many volunteers who help to ensure our Christmas celebrations will be joyful and prayerful occasions. Many thanks to our Ministers of the Altar (Eucharistic ministers, altar servers, sacristans, Lectors and Commentators) music ministry, ushers, money counters, decorators and Sunday School teachers.



ALLELUIA

We would also like to thank those who serve in our many parish organizations throughout the year for their many good works especially our S.S.V.P, K of C Councils, Squires and CWL. Thank you so much for all you do throughout the year to help support our parishes.

Finally, many thanks to all of our parishioners for your faithfulness, prayerfulness and financial support of the parish. We pray that your New Year be filled with good health and happiness.

On a personal note, this will be my last Christmas here at St. Anthony, St. John & Star of the Sea (*as I will be getting married September 29th and moving away*) and I wanted to thank you all for your support and good wishes over these past few months. While I will still be here for 9 more months, I wanted to thank you for all you have done for me personally as well as all the kindness you have shown me these past 4 years. Know you will be in my prayers this Christmas season and always.

~ Lisa

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