# **Cluster Parishes of** St. John de Brebeuf **St. Anthony of Padua Cluster Office** PO Box 3 120 Munger St. W., Harrow, ON NOR 1G0 C/o 67 Main St. E., Kingsville, ON N9Y 1A1 Pastor Res: 519-738-2556 519-733-6591 Fax: 519-733-6592 Masses: Mass: Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:30 a.m. Sunday 11:00 a.m. Star of the Sea (Mission) Pelee Island Mass once a month weather permitting Call office for time www.johnanthony.dol.ca e-mail: johnanthony@dol.ca ven

# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Dec. 10th-Dec. 13, 2013

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Tuesday	Cecile Shepley (10thA & B'day R)
7:00pm	Jose Pedro (B'day R)
St. Anthony	Mass of Thanksgiving for "Arise"
Wednesday	Mike Orawski (2nd A)
7:00pm	Ezequiel Santos
St. John's	Barbara Blyth ** <b>ADORATION</b> **
Thursday	Patrick Doherty Jr. (38th A)
10:00am	Karl Becker
Royal Oak	Thea Hasler ** <b>SENIORS LUNCH</b> **
Friday	Jose Luis Frazao (3rd A)
9:30am	Maria Lima
St. John's	Special Intention * <b>SCHOOL MASS</b> *

\*\* Weekday Mass times subject to change due to Funerals and Meetings\*\*

### For everything there is a season.....



A time to die....Melissa Silva..rest in peace A time to be born...through the waters of Baptism at St. John's.....Patrick Nantais, son of Allan & Antonietta....welcome to our Catholic family

# **RITE OF WELCOME**

Last Sunday, at the 11am Mass, we celebrated the Rite of Welcome for those men and women from our parish cluster preparing for Baptism and Full Communion in the Church at Easter.

We congratulate them and ask for your prayers for our Catechumens (for Baptism):

*Peter Dyck* (Sponsor: Claudette Tull)

*Lisa Newman* (Sponsor: Caroline Martinho) For Full Communion (Eucharist, Confirmation) María Legatte (Sponsor: Colleen Marcuzzi) Ryan Mitchell: (Sponsor: Chuck Wolters) Tara Trealout: (Sponsor: Jamie Trealout) May God continue to bless them as they journey in faith.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR **DIOCESAN FAMILY**

- 8. Mrs. Colleen Keane, Pastoral Min.
- 9. Rev. Bernard Pinsonneault
- 10. Mrs. Christine Coyle, Youth Min.
- 11. Rev. Steve Wlusek
- 12. Ms. Suzanne Walton, Pastoral Min.
- 13. Rev. Francis Jeyaseelen
- 14. Ms. Marguerite Hewer, Pastoral Minister

# **DECEMBER 8, 2013**

## **BULLETIN DEADLINES**

Due to the upcoming holiday season, please submit early to avoid disappointment. Example: Christmas & New Year's bulletin information must be submitted to the office by this Tuesday, Dec. 11th. Information for January 2014 to be submitted by Dec. 18th, 2013.

Thank you for your cooperation.

#### **Arise End of Season Celebration**



On Tuesday, December 11, during the 7pm Mass, we will be sharing an evening of Thanksgiving and following Mass there will be a reception in the

Hall downstairs. All are welcome.

# MARIE ROSE DAY RETREATS

318 Randolph St., Windsor, 519-253-1383 Wednesday, Dec. 11th-Theology in the Movies: "Christmas Story Lady" (1-4pm). A delightful film about family love, children and a senior citizen. Suggested offering: \$10 includes snacks.

Thursday, Dec. 12th-The Welcoming Prayer Revisited-9:30am-3:30pm. Participants will practice and learn "letting go" and letting the Spirit grace each moment. Suggested offering: \$25 includes lunch.

Advent is a time of waiting, a time of quiet reflection to help us prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. The Advent Wreath and Advent Calendar help us focus on the Season of Advent.

Unfortunately, many will begin Advent by rushing into a Christmas mode, which can sometimes develop into an unbridled materialism. But we want to be careful to celebrate all four weeks of Advent, a season of penance and joyful expectation of Christmas.

There are two parts to the Season of Advent. The first three weeks focus on the Second Coming of Jesus, the King and our preparation for it. The last week focuses on the First Coming of Jesus, His birth.

We will have to be careful of the temptation to make Advent and Christmas into a secular financial feast.

Pace yourselves in these holy days. Enjoy the richness of the Advent days. They should be days of calm reflection on the Mystery of the Incarnation, God taking on human nature. Decorate slowly and deliberately, not putting everything up at once.

Enjoy the Advent Season of preparing for Christmas with all your visiting, decorating, gift wrapping, cards and of course, with quiet prayer. But make plans now about how you will continue the celebration of the full Season of Christmas with parties and visits through Jan. 12, 2014.

# 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



# **DECEMBER 8, 2013**



# FAMILY PRAYER FOR LIGHTING **OF THE ADVENT WREATH** AT HOME

Second Sunday of Advent Year A

Advent is a time of waiting for Christ to grow in our lives. Focus on Jesus' final coming as Lord and Judge. The first and second purple candles are lit to represent our steady movement through this season of waiting.

**Reflection:** Filled with God's Spirit, Jesus comes to help the good and judge the wicked. His kingdom will be one of peace and justice. God our Father helps us to follow the example of Jesus by loving other people.

Let us ask our heavenly Father to bless us.

(All pause for a moment of silent prayer.)

Lord Jesus, our brother and our savior,

fill us with your Holy Spirit

and overcome evil in our lives.

Help us to build a straight road for you in our desert, so that we may give glory with you to our

heavenly Father.

We ask this blessing through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **GOSPEL REFLECTION** Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist was one of those preachers who did not mind stepping on people's toes, even those of the rich and powerful. His mission was to get people to repent and be baptized before the Messiah arrived. John warns the religious leaders of His time that they must produce good fruit as proof of their conversion.

Discussion Questions: How are you getting ready for the Messiah? Are your actions of justice, peace and love speaking loud and clear as you prepare for Christmas? Are you really a follower of Christ or are you just jumping on the Advent-Christmas bandwagon?



#### **CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR'S** MASS SCHEDULE

Please note: No confessions at St. Anthony's on Saturday, December 21st.

#### **Christmas & New Year's Masses** Tuesday, Dec. 24th-Christmas Eve:

St. Anthony's-5pm St. John's -5pm

St. Anthony's-9pm

St. John's-9pm Wednesday, Dec. 25th-Christmas Day:



St. Anthony's-10am St. John's-10am

Confessions: Tuesday, Dec. 17th-St. Anthony-after Mass

Wednesday, Dec. 18th-St. Johns-after Mass New Year's-St. Anthony-Tues. Dec. 31st-5pm, Wed. Jan. 1st-10am, St. Johns-Tues. Dec. 31st-5pm, Wed. Jan. 1st-10am.

## **Confirmation Registration for the students of** the clustered parishes of St. Anthony's, St. John's and Star of the Sea.

On Wednesday, December 11, 2013 there will be Mass with Registration and Parent/Candidate meeting at St. John de Brebeuf at 7pm sharp, for all students wishing to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation. We will begin with Mass, immediately following will be an information session and registration for this sacrament. The registration fee for this program is \$35.00, it will cover the cost of materials and the retreat. Parents should bring a copy of their child's Baptismal Certificate along with the registration form which will be sent home through the school in the coming week. Forms are also available at both parishes (St. Anthony of Padua and St. John de Brebeuf), at the parish office and on our website:

www.johnanthony@dol.ca. Registration will only take place at the church.



# **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** Harrow Council 5350

Tuesday, Dec. 10th-Dinner Mtg., 6:30pm Sat. Dec. 14th-Elvis Night at Agriculture Hall,

Dinner 7pm, show 7:30pm, tickets \$30.00-Contact Barb @738-6036 or Marvin @738-2544

Sun. Dec. 15th-3rd Sunday Breakfast with Santa, 9-11am-Hot buffet-donation.

**Kingsville Council 8233** 

Monday, Dec. 9th-"Squires" Mtg. 6pm church basement Tuesday, Dec. 10th-KofC Mtg. 7pm-fellowship meal 5:30pm

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** St. Anthony of Padua Monday, December 9th-Last Mtg. for 2013-Wine & Cheese

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