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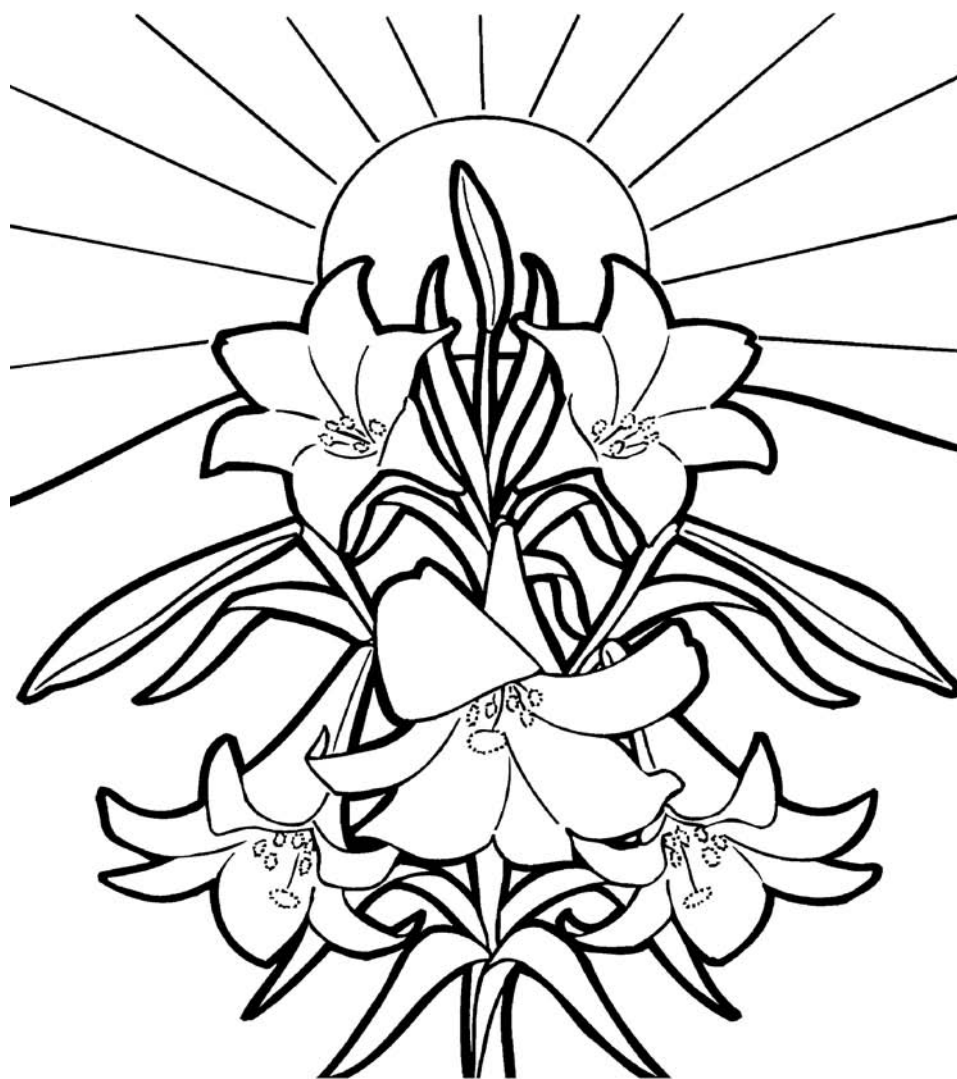
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**The Lord has Risen,
Allelaia, Allelaia, Allelaia!**



Christ is Risen,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
The Staff at St.
Michael's wishes
each and everyone
of you a Blessed
and Happy Easter!

Happy Easter! Christ has Risen! It is the time of the year again when we begin the practice of preparing for the **Holy Spirit Festival** at St. Michael's and the **St. John the Baptist Festival** at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament. The celebration of the crowning comes from good Queen St. Elizabeth II (or Isabel). In the 13th century, when Portugal was in the grips of a famine, Isabel prayed to the Holy Spirit to spare her citizens. Soon after, ships arrived in the port of Lisbon, and their cargos relieved the country from certain disaster. Isabel then summoned the citizens of the country, both rich and poor, and they gathered in the royal chapel to celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving. When the hymn "Come Holy Spirit" was chanted, Isabel chose a humble peasant girl from the crowd and as an act of humility, she had the bishop place the royal scepter in the peasant's hands and the royal crown on her head – hence the tradition of the crownings.

For the seven weeks leading up to the feast, known as Domingas, the crown of the Holy Spirit is brought into a family's home and that family will open their homes up for parishioners to gather each night of the week to say the rosary and sing hymns of praise. On the following Sunday we have a ceremonial crowning of the family as we pray for the grace of the Holy Spirit to come into their lives. This first week we are invited Sunday to our first Dominga, the **Soares'**. They will be praying the rosary and singing hymn of praise at their home from **April 1st until April 7th at 7pm**. Their address is **1690 Noah Court, Ruthven**. All are welcome.

The day of the first Dominga crowning will be on **April 8th at 12pm** during the bilingual English-Portuguese Mass. For the next several weeks we will be posting the next Dominga families in our parish bulletin for both St. Michael's and Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament. Come Holy Spirit.

May God Bless You.

The Church office will be closed on Monday, April 2nd for Easter Monday.

May we be gifted in unity to serve God and all peoples in authentic love.



Memorial and Donor pavers available. More information to follow in the next few weeks.

*This week the Leamington Ministerial Association Prays for:
Mount Zion Full Gospel Church*



DAILY MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF April 3 – April 7

Tues. 7:00pm	Living and Deceased Members of the K. of C. Living and Deceased Members of the C.W.L. Pasquale and Elvira Serafini Jeffrey Orlando
Wed. 8:00am	Tony Medeiros, Jose Inacio, Tony Junior Manuel, Agostino and Maria Bairos Merces, Manuel and Alberto Aguiar
Thurs. 8:00am	Elias Pacheco, Maria Dos Anjos, Antonio Pacheco Jose, Eduarda and Eduardo Medeiros Edward B. Araujo
Friday 8:00am	Boula and Jamila Mikhail David and Philip Raffoul All Souls in Purgatory
Saturday 8:00am	Madelena, Albino and Giusepinna Sperduti Carolina Perciballi Claudina Pires, Isabel Alves, Manuel Rodrigues

HEALING MASS at Immaculate Heart Parish,
2153 Parkwood Ave. at Tecumseh Rd. East, Windsor
Friday, April 6, 2018 at 7:00pm.
Teams are available to pray with you after Mass.
Elevator accessible.
Everyone is welcome.



Mass for the Deceased in Resurrection
Mausoleum, Heavenly Rest Cemetery.
Tuesday, April 3, 2018 @ 4:30pm
For all those grieving the loss of a loved
one. Presider: Fr. Maurice Restivo, CSB
For information - Mary Heath, Pastoral Minister
at 519-969-4836.

Please pray for the Intentions of our Brothers and Sisters working in the Diocese of London:

Apr. 01 Easter Sunday
Apr. 02 Rev. Alan Momney
Apr. 03 Dr. Robert Langlois, Pastoral Minister
Apr. 04 Rev. John Johnson
Apr. 05 All Pastoral Ministers
Apr. 06 Rev. Eugene Roy
Apr. 07 Rev. Jose Seminati



ST. MICHAEL'S
VOCATIONS Leamington

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)

Though the disciples had been witness to the risen Lord on Easter Sunday evening, Thomas was absent, and so he functions as a disciple for all of us. The beatitude that Jesus speaks to Thomas is meant for each of us. "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

First Reading (Acts 4:32-35)
Second Reading (1 John 5:1-6)
Gospel (John 20:19-31)



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LEAMINGTON AREA ECUMENICAL REFUGEE COMMITTEE (LAERC)

The Sudanese family of 10 that we sponsored in September is
doing well. The house we rented for them is being torn down
this spring and we need to find them another place to rent. If
you know of a place that could accommodate a family of 10,
please contact **Wilma Lamb at 519-733-3341 or at**
2Wilma@cogeco.ca

SEVENTH ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Saturday, May 5, 2018 - 8:00am-3:30pm (Mass at 8:15am)
Holy Name of Jesus Church, Essex
RISE UP WOMEN OF TRUTH - "The Virtue of Humility"
Keynote Speaker: Julie Onderko
Registration: www.riseupwomenoftruth.webs.com
For further information contact Lori Fawdry
519-996-4548
Tickets: Adults \$25/Student \$20
After April 24, 2018 tickets are \$30.00

LEAMINGTON BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

Leamington Kinsmen Recreation Complex
Wednesday, April 4th from 1:00-7:00pm
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to book an appointment, please call 1-888-236-6283.

SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO GLEANERS SPRING FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 2018
Doors open at 6:00pm, Dinner at 6:30-7:30
The Leamington Portuguese Club
Adults \$40/Ages 4-12-\$15/3 and under free
Live Auction, Raffle and Live Entertainment.
Tickets available at SWO Gleaners
40 Industrial Rd, Leamington. 519-326-7687

A friendly reminder that the Day Chapel is a scent-free zone.
There have been concerns about the issue of incense and
strong perfumes, so the Day Chapel has been designated a
scent-free zone.



"Inspired by the Spirit, Women Respond to God's Call."

~Another huge "Thank you" for making the fish
fries a success by faithfully providing delicious
desserts and helping serve. Please pick up all your
baking containers in the church kitchen.

~Reminder - "Chatter" articles are due by April 4th.

~CWL Annual banquet and Crowning of Mary - Wednesday,
May 2 at the Portuguese Hall. Tickets will go on sale the
weekends of April 14/15 and April 21/22 and the cost is
\$25.00

Next meeting - Wednesday, April 4, 2018 in the Conference
room.

VERONICA'S CORNER



Thank You to everyone who helped with our
many Holy Week celebrations. Thank you to
everyone who stepped up to the plate when we
needed you.



SMYL ~ All youth in Grades 3-8 are invited to
join us on Tuesday, April 3 **from 6:30-8:00pm**
in St. Michael's Church. The theme for the
evening will be "Second Chances". Hope you
will join us!

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK MASS AND LUNCHEON

On Saturday, April 21 at 11:00am we will be having a
special Mass for those wishing to receive the Sacrament of
the Sick. This day is for anyone who's health is seriously
impaired and who wish to receive this special sacrament. A
special invitation is made to our shut-in community. After
the Mass you and your families are invited to join us for a
luncheon. Please spread the word and RSVP to Veronica at
519-326-2643 so that food may be prepared.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Family Retreat - Saturday, May 12
Vacation Bible School - July 30th to August 3rd
More details about these events to follow shortly.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Three more people are needed for our Youth & Family
Commission. This committee meets once a month and it's
role is to look at the needs of our young people and families.
For more information, contact Veronica at 519-326-2643.

VOCATIONS LONDON ~ ORDINATION DAY BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018

8:30-10:00am

Have breakfast with Bishop Ronald P. Fabbro, Parish Priests
and Seminarians

For young men 14 and up-reserved seating at the Ordination
Mass at the Cathedral for those attending.

For more information **email vocations@dol.ca**

Collection-March 25, 2018

463 Regular Sunday: **\$8,641.00**
Loose: **\$1,821.85**
Total \$10,462.85
Average per envelope: **\$ 18.66**
Pledges for the week: **258.00**
Share Lent: 135.00
Easter: 115.00
Initial Envelope: 125.00

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