# St. Michael's Parish

29 Elliott St. Leamington, Ontario N8H3M4

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#### Fourth Sunday of Easter April 22, 2018

A brief history of the Feast of Senhor Santo Cristo

The beginning of this devotion started sometime around the 15<sup>th</sup> century when two Clarisse nuns were sent to Rome to request special permission and blessing from Pope Clement VII to open their very first convent in the Azores. He granted them the permission and sent them home with a special gift – an artistic torso of Jesus carved in wood, which will forever be known to the Azores as Senhor Santo Cristo dos Milagres, Our Lord Jesus Christ of the Miracles. This image would remain in the possession of the Clarisse Sisters, and they first placed it at the Monastery in Caloura, near the Vila Franca do Campo, which was the first capital of the island.

However, that was not the end of the worries and concerns. Unfortunately, strong eruptions and earthquakes due to volcanic activity left the Vila Franca inhabitable – so all the citizens moved to Ponta Delgada – making it the new urban centre of the island. The Count of Vila Franca, to protect the Sisters and the image, pledged to build a new convent in the new capital of Ponta Delgada. When they moved to this new place, they brought the image and placed it in a place of honour in their new convent and dedicated their new convent to the Mother of God.

However, again, on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1713, a strong and persistent eruption occurred leading to massive tremors, with the concern that Ponta Delgada was going to be covered just as Villa Franca. This concern grew into a devotional practice with the Brotherhood of Mercy and some of the noblemen of the city following the image being processed, barefooted. They would stop at all the Churches along the way, praying and interceding for their island. During this event, the earth-quake made the image come crashing down from the bier, the stand which holds it. Miraculously, even though it was made of wood, it did not have one scratch on it and even more amazingly the tremors stopped when the image hit the ground. This miracle led to the people referring to the image of Christ as Santo Cristo dos Milagres.

The Parish of St. Michael's invites you to celebrate with us this feast day. It begins on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm with a bilingual English-Portuguese Mass and concluding with a candlelight procession in the parking lot. On Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> at 12pm we will be celebrating a bilingual English-Portuguese Mass and concluding with a procession. All are welcome to attend and celebrate this historical tradition.

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# Weekend Liturgical Schedule St. Michael's

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Saturday 5:00 p.m.

## Sunday

8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. - Spanish

## Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament

22 Middleton Line Wheatley, ON

**Sunday** 10:30 a.m.

#### **Divine Mercy**

Every Friday at 3:00 p.m.

#### Reconciliation

St. Michael's 8:30 a.m. -9:30 a.m. Saturdays Or call for an Appointment

#### **Bulletin Submissions**

In writing or by email by Monday at 4:00 p.m.

#### **Pastoral Team**

Rev. John M. Pirt Ext 25
Pastor

Rev. Danny Santos Ext 27
Associate Pastor

Alex Litt John Vezina

Deacons

Veronica Costa Ext 28
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#### Office Staff

Beth Impens Ext 21
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Secretary

#### Sacraments

Baptisms - Call office
First Reconciliation Preparation begins in September
First Holy Communion Preparation begins in February

**Confirmation** - Preparation begins in November

**Marriage** - Meeting with Clergy minimum six months in advance. Marriage classes Spring and Fall

Holy Orders - See clergy Sacrament of the Sick -Upon request

RCIA and RCIC - Call office

#### Uma breve história da festa do Senhor Santo Cristo

O início desta devoção começou por volta do século XV, quando duas freiras Clarisse foram a Roma pedir permissão especial e uma bênção do Papa Clemente VII para abrir seu primeiro convento nos Açores. Deu-lhes a permissão e mandou-os embora com um presente especial - um torso artístico de Jesus esculpido em madeira, que será para sempre conhecido pelos Açores como o Senhor Santo Cristo dos Milagres. Esta imagem permaneceu no convento das irmãs Clarisse, e primeiro colocaram a estátua no Mosteiro da Caloura, perto de Vila Franca do Campo, que foi a primeira capital da ilha.

No entanto, esse não foi o fim das preocupações, infelizmente, fortes erupções e terremotos pela razão de à atividade vulcânica deixaram a Vila Franca inabitável - então todos os cidadãos foi para Ponta Delgada e tornando-se o novo centro urbano da ilha. O conde de Vila Franca, para proteger as freiras e a imagem, comprometeu-se a construir um novo convento na nova capital de Ponta Delgada. Quando mudaram-se para este novo lugar, trouxeram a imagem e a colocaram em um lugar de honra em seu novo convento e dedicaram seu novo convento à Mãe de Deus.

No entanto, novamente, em 11 de abril de 1713, uma erupção forte e persistente ocorreu e tive tremores em massa, o preocupação de que Ponta Delgada seria coberta apenas como Villa Franca. Essa preocupação cresceu em uma prática devocional com a Irmandade da Misericórdia e alguns dos nobres da cidade seguindo a imagem sendo processada, descalça. Eles parariam em todas as Igrejas ao longo do caminho, orando e intercedendo por sua ilha. Durante este evento, o terremoto fez a imagem cair do bier, e milagrosamente, apesar de ser feito de madeira, não teve nenhum arranhão e, ainda mais surpreendente, os tremores pararam quando a imagem bateu no chão. Esse milagre motivou ao povo referindo-se à imagem de Cristo como o Santo Cristo dos Milagres.

A Paróquia de São Miguel convida-o a celebrar connosco este dia de festa. Começa no sábado, 5 de maio, às 19h30, com uma missa bilíngue inglês-português e termina com uma procissão de velas no estacionamento.

No domingo, 6 de maio, às 12h, estaremos celebrando uma Missa Bilingüe Inglês-Português e concluindo com uma procissão. Todos são bem vindos para participar e celebrar esta tradição histórica.



## 4th Dominga **Paul Oliveira**

They will be praying the Rosary and singing hymns of praise

From April 22nd until April 28th at 7:00pm. Their address is 1328 Deer Run Road Leamington.

All are welcome.

The day of the fourth Dominga crowning will be on April 29th at 12:00pm at St. Michael' Church



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The day of the first Dominga Crowning will be on **April 29th** 

at 10:30am at Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament Church.



## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF April 24 – April 28

Tues. 7:00pm	Elena Marcovecchio Maurice and Rachel Dewaele and Dec. Family Jose Carreiro and Maria Piedade
Wed. 8:00am OLBS 7:00pm	Jose and Maria Enes Furtado & Dec Family Mike Rauzino Cosgrove/Kwait/Feltz Deceased Family Mem. Antonio Resendes, Maria A.Medeiros, Antonio Raposo Amancio and Joe Freitas & Deceased Family Francisco and Lourdes Cardoso & Dec. Family
Thurs. 8:00am	Intentions of Our Lady of Good Counsel Joe, Antoinette and Tony Semaan Edward Jr. and Edward Sr. Araujo, Barros Fam. Dominic Zaccardi
Friday 8:00am	Ralph Verbeke Peter and Carl Dries



Saturday

8:00am

WEDDING-Saturday, April 28th 3:00pm at St. Michael's

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

**Apr. 22** Deacon Leonard Hughes

Apr. 23 Rev. David Furlonger, C.Ss.R.

Apr. 24 Rev. David Butler

Apr. 25 Rev. Zvonimir Kutlesa, O.F.M.

Apr. 26 Rev. Matthew Kucharski

Apr. 27 Deacon Dennis Kosokowsky

Apr. 28 Rev. Bogdan Molenda, S. Chr.



Please pray for those in our Parish Family who have recently passed away:

GUY WAKEFORD

#### Fifth Sunday of Easter

As he takes his physical leave, Jesus promises that he will always "remain" with the community of disciples. Jesus is the vine that connects us to him as his disciples, and thus connected to one another at Church

First Reading (Acts 9:26-31) Second Reading (1 John 3:18-24) Gospel (John 15:1-8) A **May Ultreya** for Windsor/Essex County is being held at St. Michael's Church 29 Elliott Street, Leamington

Friday, May 4, 2018 at 7:30pm.

All Cursillistas are welcome.

Anyone wishing information about upcoming Cursillo weekends for adults, please contact **Tim and Zena Iles at 519-326-9704 or Luis and Dina Sardinha at 519-326-0994.** 

#### 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



Wednesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>
from 1:00 pm until 7:00 pm.
Leamington Kinsmen Recreation Complex
(249 Sherk Street)
New Donors & Walk Ins Welcome!

#### **Priestly Ordinations**



The Diocese of London and St. Peter's Seminary announce the ordinations of Rev. Mr. Paul Kim and Rev. Dr. Robert Weaver to the ministerial priesthood. The Sacrament of Holy Orders will be celebrated by Bishop Fabbro on Saturday,

April 28 at 11 am at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica, 196 Dufferin Ave., London. All are welcome to attend. We assure Deacon Paul and Deacon Robert of our support and prayers, as they prepare for ordination.

This week the Leamington Ministerial Association Prays for:

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<u>C</u>alled, <u>W</u>anted, <u>L</u>oved:

\*Annual Banquet May 2-Crowning of Mary at 5:30pm.

Dinner at the Portuguese Hall at 6:30pm. Tickets on sale today at Masses and at the office.

Deadline for tickets is Tuesday April 24. Reminder-There will be a collection for

Development and Peace at the banquet.

\*Thank you to all the ladies who helped in any way at the Mass for the Sacrament of the Sick on Saturday April 21.

\*April 26 - Feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel - Mass intention at 8am.

\*Friday May 4 - 12 hours of prayer for Palliative Care 7:30am rosary; 8am Mass; **8:30am-7pm Eucharistic Adoration** with Divine Mercy at 3pm. Join us in the chapel or at home in nation-wide united prayer for Canadians to have greater access to palliative care. Sign-up sheets will be available soon as well as prayer sheets with the mysteries of the rosary.

### VERONICA'S CORNER





#### GO FLY A KITE

All Youth in Grades 3-8 are invited to join us on Tuesday, **May 1 from 6:30-8:00pm.** Come and learn about the Ascension of the Lord while making your very own kite to bring home.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Youth & Family Commission is looking for 4 more people to sit on this committee. The role of this committee is to look at the needs of our youth and family. Our aim is to see if there are any missing gaps in what is being offered at the parish. We meet once a month for 1 1/2 hours. If you are interested or need more information, contact Veronica at 519-326-2643 or at vcosta@dol.ca



#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

FAMILY RETREAT ~ Saturday, June 2nd. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ~ July 30th to August 3rd.

MORE DETAILS ABOUT THESE EVENTS TO FOLLOW



#### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Anointing of the Sick Mass and Luncheon. A special thank you goes out to all those who helped prepare the meal and make this event possible.



## STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

All youth in Grades 8-12 are invited to join us for an amazing youth conference which will be held in Oshawa the

weekend of **July 13-15.** The cost is \$300

per person and includes the conference fee, accommodations, transportation, food and a t-shirt. There are only 15 spots available. If you are interested or would like more information, contact **Veronica at 519-326-2643**or vcosta@dol.ca

#### Collection for Sunday-April 15, 2018

300 Regular Sunday: \$5248.00 Loose: \$1122.10 Total: \$6370.10

Average per Envelope: \$17.49
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