



# St. Michael's Parish

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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.

3:30 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.

## **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**December 17, 2017**

### **FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOHN:**

I feel that it is important to highlight the Mass schedule for the next few weeks for the Sundays and the Holy Days of Obligation!

### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT:**

On December 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, the celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent takes place with the regular schedule of Masses on Saturday night and Sunday Morning.

### **CHRISTMAS EVE / CHRISTMAS DAY:**

In the later afternoon of December 24<sup>th</sup>, we move into the Christmas Masses. At St Michael's - Christmas Eve at 5:00pm (in both the Church and the Parish Hall); 7:00pm; Midnight; and on Christmas Day at 8:00am and 10:00am. The Mass at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament in Wheatley will be on Christmas Eve at 7:00pm. As you likely are aware, parking at St. Michael's, especially for the 5:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve will be most difficult! ARRIVE EARLY FOR A GOOD PARKING SPOT AND SEAT IN THE CHURCH!!!

### **FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY:**

On December 30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup>, the celebration of the Feast of the Holy Family takes place with the regular schedule of Masses on Saturday night and Sunday morning.

### **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD:**

On the Feast of Mary, Mother of God, Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's Church on December 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm and on January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00am. Mass at Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish in Wheatley will be on January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:30am.

**NOTE: The last opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation prior to Christmas will be on Dec 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00pm.**

Have a Blessed Christmas,

Fr. John

## Pastoral Team

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## 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



### CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

The Church office will be closing at 12:00 noon on Friday, December 22nd and re-opening on Wednesday, December 27th at 10:30am.  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

**St. Michael's Church:**

**December 24th** - 5:00pm (upper and lower level) ~7:00pm~ Midnight Mass.

**December 25th** - 8:00am and 10:00am

**Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament:**

**December 24th** - 7:00pm

### NEW YEAR'S DAY

**St. Michael's Church:**

**December 31st** - 5:00pm

**January 1st** - 8:00am and 10:00am

**Our Lady of Blessed Sacrament:**

**January 1st** - 10:30am



### ST. MICHAEL'S CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL

This year we will be collecting donations in memory of loved ones to offset the cost of **both** decorating the church and for flowers during the Christmas season. The names of your loved ones will be published in the bulletin on **December 24th**. Please bring in your donations to the Church office **before December 20th**.



Divine Mercy will resume again in the New Year on **Friday, January 5th, 2018**.



### \*\*PLEASE NOTE\*\*

As we approach the end of the year, we want to remind those of you who wish to make a donation to St. Michael's and have it count for their 2017 tax year, to please make that donation as soon as possible. The cut off date is **Wednesday, December 27th at 4:00pm**.

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

**Dec. 17** Rev. Eugeniusz Dziedzic, C.S.M.A.

**Dec. 18** Rev. Augustine Ogundele

**Dec. 19** All Priests in the Diocese

**Dec. 20** Rev. Matthew George

**Dec. 21** Mrs. Lynn Di Pinto, Coordinator of Youth Min.

**Dec. 22** Deacon Joseph Manzara

**Dec. 23** Rev. Michael Ryan

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*How was Jesus conceived? The response given to us is the same as that given to Mary: "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you." Nothing is impossible for God. This is an act of God so that the child, Jesus, will rightly be called "the Son of God."*

**First Reading (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16)**

**Second Reading (Romans 16:25-27)**

**Gospel (Luke 1:26-38)**



## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18-DECEMBER 23 ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

<b>Mon. 8:00am</b>	Richard Beaudette Manuel and Maria Carvalho and Deceased Family Rosemary Badz
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<b>Tues.</b>	<b>NO MORNING MASS</b>
<b>7:00pm</b>	Jeffrey Orlando and Sara Orlando Fayez Zakaria Manuel, Mariano and Georgina Camara

<b>Wed. 8:00am</b>	Joao Simas and Deceased Family Dina and Giovanni Latino Terezia and Ondrej Janostin
<b>OLBS 7:00pm</b>	Joao and Rosalina Casimiro and Deceased Family Mass of Thanksgiving Carlos Rebelo

<b>Thurs. 8:00am</b>	Rosa Sousa and Deceased Family Members Tony DeGoey Caterina Del Greco
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<b>Friday 8:00am</b>	Assad and Tony Kayrouz Joe, Antoinette, and Tony Semaan Antonio and Cecilia Branco Anna Ilg and Maria Mayer
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<b>Sat. 8:00am</b>	<b>NO MORNING MASS</b>
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MENNONITE HOME DECEMBER 20	
<b>Wed. 10:00am</b>	Jose and Eufrosina Valerio and Deceased Family Aldina Carvalho Joao and Maria Jose DaSilva Giuseppina Fregonese

ERIE GLEN DECEMBER 21	
<b>Thurs. 10:00am</b>	Deceased Mem. of the Sleiman & Taouil Families Guido and Ennio Vernaroli Maria da Conceicao Costa



*This week the Leamington Ministerial Association  
Prays for:*  
**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Please pray for those in our Parish Family who have recently passed away: **ALBA DENKERS;**  
**GUILHERME DaCOSTA;** who passed away in Massachusetts, brother of Jose Costa and Maria Desousa



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## FAMILY SERVICES WINDSOR-ESSEX

The Wellness Program is a program designed to enhance the wellness process that anyone can use to manage life. It is designed to provide tools to respond to daily challenges such as sadness, stress, feeling bad, or experiencing challenges in managing past or current life events. The program consists of 90 minute sessions for 4 weeks covering topics such as: Sense of Self/Boundaries and Communication/Feelings, Anxiety and Stress/Depression and Anger.

**Location:** Leamington & Area Family Health Team

**Address:** 197 Talbot Street West, Leamington.

**Schedule:** Tuesday, January 9, January 16, January 23, January 30. All times are from 2:00-3:30pm.

Program is free of charge and no registration is required.

Questions? Call **519-966-5010** and ask for Customer Care.

A Christmas Invitation to those who will be alone (or those who will go without) Christmas Day.

Please join us for our annual **CHRISTMAS DINNER**  
**December 25th at 12:00pm.**

The Church of St. John the Evangelist (Anglican)

60 Erie Street North, Leamington

Call 519-326-3111 to register by December 20th.

A special invitation to shut-ins:

If you are unable to join us, we will be pleased to deliver your meal to the Leamington, Kingsville and Wheatley area only.

There is no cost or obligation.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday's from 9:00am-6:30pm (if there is a funeral that day, the time will be adjusted accordingly)

**"COULD YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?"**



## London Region Men of Faith Conference:

From Fr. Patrick Beneteau, Director of Vocations:

All men and young men (16+) are invited to the 6th

**Annual Men of Faith Conference** on Saturday, January 20, 2018 at **St. Michael's Parish in London.**

Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, known around the world as the "Dynamic Deacon" will be our keynote speaker. Come and join us for some great fellowship and opportunity to grow in faith. Sign up at

**vocations@dol.ca** or **519-432-1824 ext. 204**. Tickets are \$25.00 student/\$30.00 adults/\$45.00 at the door. Lunch, prizes and registration kits are included.

# VERONICA'S CORNER



## CHRISTMAS PAGEANT



This is your last chance to become involved with our Christmas Pageant. The last two rehearsals will be held on **Thursday, December 21st and Friday, December 22nd** at 6:30pm in St. Michael's Church.



## NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS:

It's that time of year where we begin making resolutions for the New Year. Have you ever thought about how you will be helping at your church? Many volunteers are needed to help with the many ministries at the Parish. Volunteers are especially needed to help with Youth Ministry, Catechists, and bringing communion to our shut-ins. If you are interested in becoming involved in a bigger way, please contact Veronica or Simone at 519-326-2643.



Thank you to everyone who brought in items for the Giving Tree at both churches. Your generosity is overwhelming. All items donated will be used to help local families. Thank you for your continued support in giving a "hand up" to our neighbours.



## SUNDAY SCHOOL:

There will be no Sunday School program on December 24th. The program will resume on **December 31st** at St. Michael's Church.



## CONFIRMATION:

For those that missed the preparation meetings, there will be a make up meeting on Thursday, **January 11th from 7-9:00pm** in St. Michael's Church Hall. Please contact Veronica if you plan to attend. Our next set of Family Meetings will be held on Wednesday, January 10th at the Parish office (white building).



Next Leamington Blood Donor Clinic

**JANUARY 3, 2018**

Leamington Kinsmen Recreation Complex

1:00-7:00pm

**WALK-INS WELCOME!**

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR DECEMBER 10TH WILL BE POSTED NEXT WEEK DUE TO CHRISTMAS PUBLICATION DEADLINES FOR THE BULLETIN.**



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