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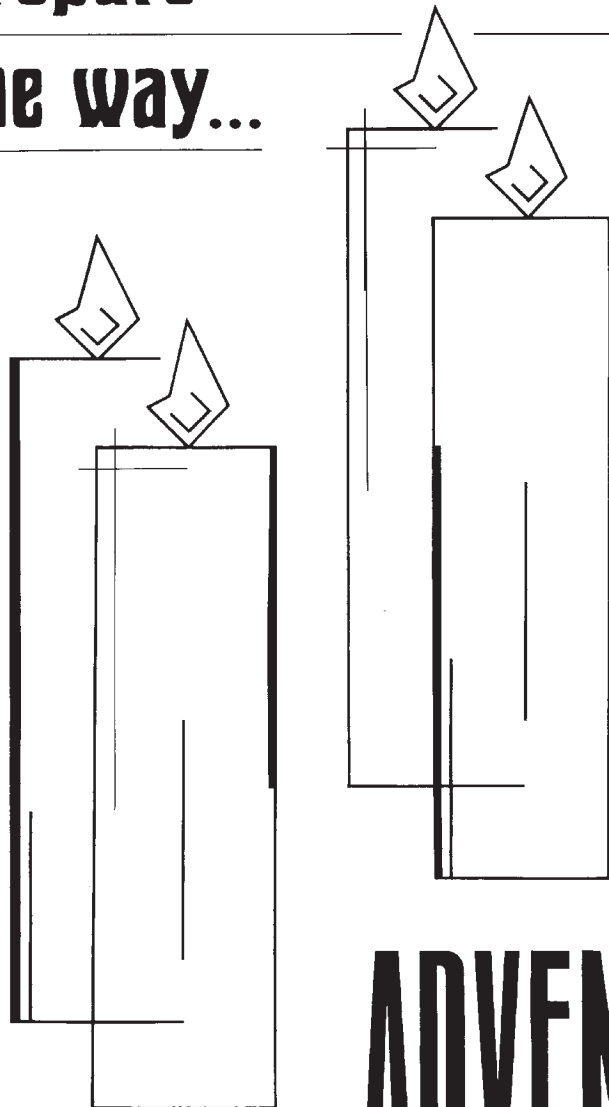
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4th Sunday Of Advent



**MERRY CHRISTMAS
FROM ALL OF THE
STAFF AT
ST. MICHAEL'S
PARISH**

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



NEW YEARS OFFICE HOURS

The Church office will be closing at 12:00 noon on
Friday, December 29th and will be re-opening on
Tuesday, January 2nd at 10:30am.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

PLEASE NOTE

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesday,
December 26th, 2017.



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.**



THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

In today's gospel, the faithful Joseph and Mary bring their son
to the temple for his presentation to the Lord, a ritual required
by the law. Their child is born under the most difficult and
terrifying of circumstances. And yet, through it all, their love
and faithfulness to one another do not waver.

First Reading (Genesis 15:1-6; 17:3b-5, 15-16; 21:1-7)

Second Reading (Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19)

Gospel (Luke 2:22-40)



DAILY MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 25-DECEMBER 30 ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Mon.	SEE CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE
Tues.	NO MASS TODAY
Wed.	NO MASS TODAY
Thurs.	NO MASS TODAY
Friday 8:00am	Ben, Elizabeth and Bernard Brown Steve and Mary Casper Fr. Pat Fuerth and Fr. Ugo Rossi
Sat. 8:00am	Wilhelmina DeJong David Bradford, Dennis and John Penman Joe, Antoinette and Tony Seeman David Raffoul

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

Dec. 24 Rev. Albert Williams

Dec. 26 Rev. Seejo John

Dec. 27 Rev. Lawrence Mousseau

Dec. 28 Rev. Martin (Sam) Johnston

Dec. 29 Ministers to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Dec. 30 Rev. James Roche

The Christmas Mass on TV:

For those who cannot make it to church, please join the
Catholic Community this Christmas. Watch the Daily TV
Mass Christmas Eve on Vision TV at 9:00pm ET, Christmas
Day at 8:00am and 12:00pm ET on Vision TV and
11:00am ET on Salt and Light TV.

You can also watch on the web: www.dailytvmass.com



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

JANUARY ULTREYA

A January Ultreya for Windsor/Essex County is being held at
Sacred Heart in LaSalle, 1425 Divine Street, on Friday,
January 12th at 7:30pm. If you have made a Cursillo weekend
please come and share in a faith-filled evening. **All
Cursillistas are welcome!**



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HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

12 Days April 14-28, 2018

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1-800-530-4667 or joanbolt@execulink.com



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.



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.



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

-Thank you to Claudia for an inspiring Advent retreat for 21 people from 3 parishes.

-2018 memberships are for sale at the office for \$25.00. Please remember to tell us of any changes to your address or phone number.

-Religious calendars are for sale at the office for \$5.00 and would make a beautiful Christmas gift.

-The 2018 Lottery Calendars would also make a great Christmas gift and supports St. Michael's Church - \$20.00.

-January 3rd is the next CWL meeting in the Conference Room at 6:30pm.

HAVE A PEACEFUL, BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

VERONICA'S CORNER



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 God at your church this year? Many volunteers are needed to help with the many ministries at the parish. Volunteers are especially needed to help with Youth Ministry, the Youth & Family Commission, 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.



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).



Thank you to all those who helped bring gift bags to our Shut-in families. The families really appreciated the visit. It certainly made their day!



SMYL: CLEAN SLATE

All youth in Grades 3-8 are invited to join our next youth event on **Tuesday, January 9th** from 6:30-8:00pm in the church hall.

This week the Leamington Ministerial Association Prays for:

LAKEPOINT FAMILY CHURCH

Offertory Collection-December 10, 2017

359 Regular Sunday:	\$6,712.50
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