St. Michael's Parish

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Christmas



the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people.

Luke 2:10



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 the **2016 TAX** year, to please make that donation as soon as possible. The cut off date is **Friday December 30th.** Thank You for your ongoing support of our new Church!



2016-2017 SUNDAY MISSALS ARE HERE

Missals for this liturgical calendar year are available for purchase at the Church Office for \$5.00



PLEASE NOTE

The New Year's Eve and New Year's Day Schedule will remain the same as the regular weekend Mass



Please note that the Church Office will be closed **until Wednesday December 28th** for the Christmas Holidays. We will be closed on **December 30th at 12 noon** for the New Year Holiday and will re-open on **Tuesday January 3, 2017 at 8:00am.**



DIVINE MERCY

Divine Mercy will resume again in the new year on **January 6th.**



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- Type in URL: www.formed.org
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- password.
- Submit. The next time you log in you will only need your email and password.

This week the Leamington Ministerial Association prays for:

SOUTH POINT COMMUNITY

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

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

Mary was present to her Son and present when the shepherds encountered him. Likewise, Mary is present when we encounter her Son and make known the message of Life to all we meet.

First Reading (Numbers 6:22-27) Second Reading (Galatians 4:4-7) Gospel (Luke 2:16-21)



St. Michael's December 26—December 31	
Mon. 8:00am	NO MORNING MASS
Tues 8:00am	Ben, Elizabeth and Bernard Brown & Deceased Fam. Steve and Mary Casper Serafino Sperduti and Rosa & Cataldo Grossi
Wed. 8:00am 7:00pm	NO MORNING MASS Francisco and Alice Amaral Manuel and Ines Cabral DeMelo Elias Pacheco
Thurs. 8:00am	Dawne Wahby John DeGoey Dennis O'Connell
Friday 8:00am	Vera Furmanek Jose and Maria Coimbra & Maria Rebelo Giuseppe Anobile
Sat 8:00am	Cistaltina Pimentel Amancio Freitas Aldina Carvalho



Fr. Pat's Farewell Mass will take place at St. Michael's Church on Wednesday, January 4 at 7 pm with a light reception to follow downstairs in the church Hall. Fr. Pat has led us as Pastor for the last 12 years.

Come out to wish him a happy retirement!



Thank you to all the ministries who helped make our liturgies beautiful over the Christmas Holidays. The decorations, music and celebrations look wonderful. Thank you again for all that you do!



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



2017 CHURCH ENVELOPES

The boxes of envelopes for next year are in the foyer of the church.

They are in alphabetical order. Please pick yours up the next time you are in the church.

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE—Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) simply means 'rediscovery'. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Thousands headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending. Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, a sensitivity group, a seminar or a social gathering. You will never have to share your story with anyone else on the weekend. For confidential information about or to register for the February program call 1-800-705-6356 or email:1015@retrouvaille.org or visit the web site at www.retrouvaillewindsor.com or facebook.com/ retrouvaillewindsor/essexcounty. Our next weekend is February 10-12, 2017 at Holy Family Retreat House in Oxley.



Thank you to all those who gave towards our Giving Tree this year. Items were divided between St. Vincent de Paul and Salvation Army. This year there were 400 families in our community that relied on your generosity. Thank you for the many gifts and food items that were donated. It is greatly appreciated!

JANUARY ULTREYA

The next Ultreya for Windsor/Essex County is being held at **Sacred Heart in Lasalle**

On Friday, January 13, 2017 at 7:30pm.

If you have made a Cursillo Weekend please come and share In a Faith-filled evening. All Cursillistas are Welcome!

Family Services Windsor-**Essex Presents:**

THE WELLNESS PROGRAM LEARNING TO Leamington and Area Family Health Team, 197 Talbot St. W Leamington **519-966-5010** Program is Free of Charge Tuesday Jan. 10/17 5-6:30pm Tuesday Jan. 17/17 5-6:30pm Tuesday Jan. 24/17 5-6:30pm Tuesday Jan.31/17 5-6:30pm

This program is designed to provide tools to respond to the daily challenges of life. •

Family Services Windsor-**Essex Presents:** MANAGE YOUR **ANXIETY** South Essex Community

Council, 215 Talbot St. E Leamington 519-966-5010 Begins: Friday Jan. 13/17 from 1:00-3:00pm*First session 1 hour.*

An 8 week therapeutic treatment group program.

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS TO ALL

Our delicious Christmas Pot-luck luncheon was a great success and well attended - our first CWL event in the new



church hall! Over \$1,700.00 was raised @ the wrapped gift auction for St. Vincent DePaul Society in our parish. As well, 30 gift bags were prepared for delivery to our parish shutins. Thanks to CWL member Mary DeGoey for speaking to us about Autism and CWL and member Anne Horan for showing us her work

with Children's Aid Society in preparing baby layettes for newborns going into foster care from the hospital. Anne welcomes donations of NEW~ size newborn sleepers and onesies, any colour & meters of new flannelette for receiving blankets. Items can be left @ church office.

Stay tuned for the names of the newly elected CWL executive which will be installed by our dear Spiritual Director Fr. Pat @ 5pm Mass Saturday, January 7, 2017

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HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION YET?



St. Michael's Church is looking for volunteers to help with our Sunday School, Youth Ministry (especially our teen group), and helping with our Confirmation Programs. Training will be provided and this is a great way to give back to your community. If you

are interested in any of these programs or other ministries, please contact Veronica at 519-326-2643 ext. 28.



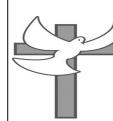
SMYL YOUTH PROGRAM

All youth in grades 3-8 are invited to join us on Tuesday January 10th from 6:30-8:00pm in St. Michael's Church Hall. The theme for the evening is "You R Holy."



YAGOTTAWANNA FOR TEENS

All teens in grades 8-12 are invited to our next event on Sunday January 8th starting with the 7:00pm Mass at St. Michael's Church followed by gathering until 9:30pm in the church hall.



CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Registration forms are now due. There will be a makeup meeting on Thursday, January 12th at 7:00pm in St. Michael's Church Hall for those that missed the November 30th or December 1st meeting. For those who are in public school or high school, your meetings will begin on Thursday,

January 19th at 7:00pm (for 4 weeks) in St. Michael's Church Conference Room. If you have any questions, contact Veronica at 519-326-2643 ext. 28.



SUNDAY SCHOOL: Please note there will be no Sunday School program the week of December 25th and January 1st. The program will resume on Sunday

January 8th at the 10am Mass at St. Michael's Church. All children ages 2 1/2 years old to grade 2 are invited to participate.



Offertory Collection-December 18, 2016

DUE TO THE CHRISTMAS PUBLICATION DEADLINES, THE COLLECTION AMOUNTS FOR THIS WEEK WILL BE IN THE **NEXT BULLETIN.**

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