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*A BLESSED HAPPY
NEW YEAR FROM
ALL OF THE STAFF
AT ST. MICHAEL'S
PARISH*



NEW YEAR'S EVE - Tuesday, December 31
5:00pm at St. Michael's

NEW YEAR'S DAY - Wednesday, January 1
8:00am at St. Michael's
10:00am at St. Michael's
10:30am at OLBS - Wheatley
3:00pm at St. Michael's (Spanish)
6:00pm at St. Michael's

****The Parish office will be closed through January 1st (except for the collection count days). We will re-open on Thursday, January 2nd at 9:00am.**



2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The envelopes are now at the back of both churches. If you do not see yours, please call the office and we will make sure we prepare some for you. Please consider automatic withdrawals - call the office for more information or fill out the pre-authorized payment form.



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Michael's Church offers Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays 9:00am-6:30pm. On mornings with funeral Masses, Eucharistic Adoration will follow.

****Please note there will not be Eucharistic Adoration on December 31st****



HOW DO I BECOME CATHOLIC?

The preparations for Christmas include buying or making gifts for those whom we love. You can give no better gift than the gift that God has given to us - his Son Jesus. Invite someone who is not Catholic to attend Mass with you at Christmas. For information about the RCIA, please contact **Fr. Tom at (519) 326-2643**.



Happy New Year! **SSVP** wishes to thank all the parishioners who have so generously provided us with the gifts, food and gift cards to carry on our mission. We are awe struck by the variety of gifts and food, the quality of the toys provided and the amounts on the gift cards. We had many sponsors this year and we thank each and every one of them. We also had a birthday party that requested food and gifts for our food bank as well as a family party that did the same. We could not function without these gifts. On behalf of the SSVP executive, we wish to thank all the volunteers for their countless hours working the food bank, making soup, restocking shelves and attending training sessions. Thank you immensely!



January 5, 2019 - The Epiphany of the Lord
First Reading (Isaiah 60:1-6)
Second Reading (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6)
Gospel (Matthew 2:1-12)



**DAILY MASS INTENTIONS
December 30 to January 4**

Mon. 8:00am	Carmelia Mendonca The Intentions of Fr. Tom, Fr. Steve, Fr. Kazimierz Ilda Carreiro
Tues. 8:00am	Joseph Raffoul Fr. Patrick Fuerth Humberta Couto
Wed. 8:00am	SEE NEW YEAR'S DAY SCHEDULE
Thurs. 8:00am	Angelo Iacobelli Jose Carreiro Nicola Amicone
Friday 8:00am	Teresa Carducci Jaime Rodrigues Rita Santaniello
Sat. 8:00am	Maria Oliveira Antonio Moniz Pacheco Conceicao Demelo

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

Dec. 29 Ministers to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
Dec. 30 Rev. James Roche
Dec. 31 Institute of Secular Missionaries
Jan. 01 Sisters of Service
Jan. 02 Deacon Rudolph Pflanzner
Jan. 03 Rev. Canon Mitchel Kaminski
Jan. 04 Rev. Frank Leslie



The Leamington Ministerial Association Prays for:
LEAMINGTON EVANGELICAL MENNONITE



2019 INCOME TAX YEAR

As we approach the end of the year, we want to remind everyone that donations to St. Michael's for this tax year need to be brought in as soon as possible. Donations must be received no later than **January 5, 2020** and dated by the end of this year if you are making a donation by cheque. Thank you!



St Michael's is excited to announce that we will be offering the Alpha program in our Parish in the coming year. Alpha is a wonderful program where we can come together to have dinner, watch a short video and have discussion together. It will begin on **Monday, January 6th and continue on Monday evenings** here at our church. Daycare will be provided. To register, please call the parish office or Luis & Dina Sardinha at **326-0994** or **sardinha600@gmail.com**



Please note that the chapel area of the church is a scent-free zone to accommodate those who are sensitive to fragrances.



THE WITNESSES TRILOGY

THE WITNESSES TRILOGY - 3 EPISODES

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MARRIAGE ANNULMENT

Are you hoping to get married in the Catholic Church or to have a new union blessed? Are you simply looking for some closure after a painful divorce? If so, consider applying for a Declaration of Nullity (annulment) from the Marriage Tribunal of the Diocese of London. The process is free of charge. We are here to help - feel free to call us at **519-439-1553 or toll free at 1-866-603-4317**

A January Ultreya for Windsor/Essex County is being held at Sacred Heart in LaSalle, 219 Sacred Heart Drive on Friday, January 10 at 7:30pm.

If you have made a Cursillo weekend, please come and share in a faith-filled evening.

All Cursillistas are welcome!

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille ("retro-vi" with a long i) has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels of distress including disillusionment and deep misery. The program is designed to provide the tools to help get marriages back on track. In Windsor/Essex, the next weekend will be **February 14 -16 at Holy Family Retreat House**. To register for the Windsor-area weekend, please call **1-800-705-6356 or email 1015@retrouvaille.org**.

LEAMINGTON BLOOD DONOR CENTRE

Wednesday, January 8th from 1:00 - 7:00pm

**Kinsmen Recreation Complex
New Donors & Walk Ins Welcome!**



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY CIRCLE "God's Work, Our Hands"

Running out of wool? Please come to the church office lobby where there is a table set up for you to help yourself with any wool you may need to complete or start your prayer shawl. Anyone wishing to donate wool can also drop off their wool at this table or in the round bin in the lobby of the church. Thank you!

"Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love." Saint Teresa of Calcutta.



LIFE TEEN MASS AND EDGE YOUTH PROGRAM

- Every Sunday evening beginning with the 6:00pm Life Teen Mass. After Mass join us for the Edge Youth Program for those youth in Grades 6 through 8 from 7:00-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. There will not be a youth program on December 29 and January 5th. Please join us again in the New Year on January 12th. (The Life Teen Mass at 6:00pm will still be held on these dates.)



CWL Memberships are available at the church office for \$25.

~ **Volunteers** are requested to help with **baking, preparing meals, clean up for the Alpha Program** on 6 alternate Monday

evenings beginning on January 6. If you could give of your time even once or twice, it would

be greatly appreciated. If you can help in any way, please call Mary Di Milo at 519-326-8253.

~ **CWL Members Meeting - Wednesday January 8** in the upstairs Conference room. Hope to see many of you there!

"May the NEW YEAR bring to you warmth of love and a light to guide your path towards a positive destination."



KNIGHTS NEWS:

Attention Sir Knights: the G. Stephen Hudders Assembly will be holding a very important meeting on January 6th. Please make every effort to attend.

Missio Diocesan Newspaper

The Winter 2019 Edition of the diocesan newspaper, *Missio* has been printed and copies are available compliments of our parish. Look for copies available in the back of the churches and in the foyer of the parish office. The current issue as well as back issues are available online at www.dol.ca/newspaper.

Alliance of the Two Hearts New Year Offering
Communion of Reparation all night Vigil
OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION ROSARY CHAPEL
First Friday Mass on January 3rd at 9:00pm
with Confession at 8:00pm.
First Saturday Mass on January 4th at 7:00am
ALL ARE WELCOME

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!

WINDSOR /ESSEX PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY!
Heading in Procession down Ouellette Avenue
from St. Alphonsus Parish on January 12th, 2020
3:00pm-4:00pm (If icy we will be inside, but dress warmly)
ALL ARE WELCOME!
JOIN US!

Collection for December 15, 2019

341 Regular Sunday	\$8062.00
Loose	1395.30
Total:	\$9457.30
Building Fund	\$2800.88
Thanksgiving Appeal	\$ 5.00
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