



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.
3:00 p.m.- Spanish
6:00 pm.

**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
½ hour before each Mass
8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Saturdays

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

Sunday School
Every Sunday from
September - June at
the 10:00am Mass.

From Fr. Tom: JANUARY 12, 2020 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Happy New Year and Thank You! Thank you to everyone over the past month who helped to make the Advent and Christmas Season so beautiful. This thank you is to everyone who dedicated their time and energy to making our liturgies so beautiful. I am grateful to our parish staff and to everyone who sang, decorated, served, assisted at Mass and coordinated all the schedules.

I also want to thank all those who gave of themselves to reach out to those who struggle during this holiday season financially or emotionally. The generosity of our parishioners and the St. Vincent de Paul Society is remarkable. Over the past year, the Saint Vincent de Paul Society served hundreds of bags of groceries to our friends and neighbours here in Leamington. In addition to that, we also courageously worked toward social change through our Life Chain and the work of the Right to Life committee. Thank you also to all who have assisted in welcoming the Byamungu family and making them feel a part of our community.

Our past year has been full of activity: we celebrated 68 Baptisms, 20 Weddings, 80 Funerals, 46 First Communions and 74 Confirmations! We met in small groups for ongoing formation, to study the bible, to prepare for Christmas through our parish mission and share faith. Many people consecrated themselves to Mary on her feast day. We have begun a prayer shawl ministry to connect parishioners as interceders for the needs of our families and communities.

We finished our renovations from the St. Michael's office and the link. We reduced our debt by \$734,697.30. Our pastoral council is currently working toward discerning pastoral priorities for our lives of love and service here at St Michael's. We are excited to begin the process of being a Family of Parishes with Kingsville and Pelee Island.

We celebrated moving, faith filled festivals, including the 50th anniversary of the St. Michael's festival. We restarted our RCIA, welcoming 7 adults into the faith at Easter. This year we were blessed to add a 6:00pm Mass, followed by our *Edge* youth group, and last week we welcomed 100 people to be a part of the Alpha series.

None of this includes the activity of the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus here in our parish...their prayers, memorial Masses, breakfasts, charitable donations, fundraising and fellowship enhances the spiritual life of all their members and all of us by extension.

We continued to focus on family ministry, engaging young people and families and having strong relationships with the great teachers and staff in our schools.

This weekend we mark the feast of the Baptism of the Lord and we remember to thank God for the gift of our faith and the many opportunities the Lord gives us to live it out and share our faith with others. This weekend let us ask the blessing of God that this upcoming year will be full of blessings; much like our past year!

Pastoral Team

Rev. Tom Ferrera Ext 222
Parish Administrator

Rev. Steve Marsh Ext 223
Parochial Vicar
www.FrSteve.ca

Alex Litt (retired)
John Vezina
Deacons

Rev. Kazimierz Lorencowicz, C.S.M.A. Ext 225
Hispanic Ministry

Avery Fuerth Ext 251
Life Teen Co-ordinator

Parish Advisory Chair
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Knights of Columbus
Don Bedore

Catholic Women's League
Mary Di Milo

St. Vincent de Paul
Carol Lesinky

Office Staff

Sandy Foldesi Ext 0
Secretary

Sacraments

Baptisms - Call office

First Reconciliation -
Preparation begins in September

First Holy Communion -
Preparation begins in September

Confirmation - Confirmation
to begin in September

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



The Parish office will be closed the morning of Wednesday January 15th. We will be open again at 2:00pm that afternoon.



HOW DO I BECOME CATHOLIC?

As we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, let us recall our own Baptism. We have all received the call to go and baptize all nations. Pray for those who are considering if they too are ready to renounce Satan and all his works and empty promises. If there is someone you think would like to explore what Baptism in the Catholic faith means, ask him or her to contact **Fr. Tom at (519) 326-2643**.



KNIGHT'S NEWS

At the Knights of Columbus General meeting on **Tuesday, January 14th at 7:00pm** there will be a guest speaker on Pro Life. We have invited members of the C.W.L. to our meeting. Our general business will follow. This is an important issue so we encourage good attendance.



~Thank you to all who helped with baking, cooking, setup/cleanup for the **Alpha Meal** on Monday evening. Please consider **volunteering** to help in any way with the meals for any of the following Mondays: **January 20, February 3, February 17, March 2, March 16 and March 23.**

~**Regional President's Meeting – Wednesday, January 22** at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Essex. **Guest Speaker – Executive Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, Alex Schadenberg**, will share the newest project - **Compassionate Community Care** (easing the burden of loneliness in communities). All members are encouraged to attend.

~**CWL Saturday at 5:00pm Mass on January 25th.** Members will participate as lectors, ushers, bringing up offertory gifts, Eucharistic Ministers, etc. **Contact Mary Di Milo if you are interested in participating at 519-326-8253.**

~**Everyone is invited to the K. of C. meeting on Tuesday, January 14 - Guest Speaker will be Penny VanderBroek** who will share her interesting experiences with **Pro-Life activities.**



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

Please call the church office at **519-326-2643** if you know of anyone who could use a prayer shawl. They are a tangible gift to be given to anyone who needs prayer and the comfort of knowing that caring thoughts and prayers are being said for them. They will be blessed by one of our priests before they are given to the recipient and all have a green scapular (**the Scapular of the Immaculate Heart**) sewn in to them. The **Green Scapular** is often used to ask God for a physical healing or spiritual conversion.

NEXT GATHERING: SATURDAY JANUARY 18 10:00am-11:30am in the Sun Room.

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



DAILY MASS INTENTIONS January 13 to January 18

Mon. 8:00am	Sr. Celestine Zakaria Berardo Pandeirado Gino Zompanti and Deceased Family
Tues. 7:00pm	Mary DeGoey and Deceased Family Alberino, Maria Vincenza and Gino Mastronardi Antonio and Filomena Marques, Dec. Family
Wed. 8:00am	Antonio and Cecilia Branco, Deceased Family Sam Jabbour, Boutros Diab, Deceased Family Deceased Members of Boivin Family
Thurs. 8:00am	Stefano Perciballi Pasquale Cervini Maria Martinho
Friday 8:00am	Fred and Manuel Freitas For the Intentions of Brian and Maureen Iles Joao and Guia Demelo
Sat. 8:00am	Pasquale and Angela Maiuri, Deceased Family Deceased Members of the Medeiros Family Mary DeGoey

MENNONITE HOME

JANUARY 15

Wed. 10:00am	Verina Del Ciano Caterina Del Greco Iolanda D'Aloisio
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CHARTWELL/HENRY COURT

JANUARY 16

Thurs. 10:00am	Maria Andrade Pete Bourtros Fred and Manuel Freitas
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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 pray for the Intentions of our Brothers and Sisters working in the Diocese of London:

Jan. 12 Ms. Cathryn Hall
Jan. 13 Rev. Michael Parent
Jan. 14 Sister Mary Boere
Jan. 15 Rev. Jude Ogbenna
Jan. 16 Deacon Thomas MacLeod
Jan. 17 Rev. Martin Nyland
Jan. 18 Deacon Reginald Quesnel



Please pray for those in our Parish Family who have recently passed away:
**Valdemiro Melo, Maria Tavares,
Michael Massong**



JANUARY 19, 2020 - 2nd Sunday Ordinary Time

First Reading (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6)

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 1:1-3)

Gospel (John 1:29-34)

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This weeks feature - Mother Teresa: Seeing the Face of Jesus



Whatever you do unto the least of these, you do unto me. Mother Teresa always remembered these words of Jesus. She said that she saw the face of Jesus in the face of each sick and dying person she helped. She asked the whole world to look for Jesus' face there too. This movie presents the life and work of Mother Teresa with words and pictures that even the youngest child will enjoy. Children will happily learn that Mother Teresa was a person whose strong faith and trust in God helped her to make incredible changes in our world.

HEARTS FOR HAITI GALA

Please join us for our annual **HEARTS TOGETHER**

FOR HAITI GALA on February 8, 2020 at The Fogular Furlan Club in Windsor. We would love to celebrate our 20 year Haitian/Canadian friendship with you! Tickets are \$75 for adults, \$50 for students and \$25 for children 4-12 years of age. Please call **519-972-3374** for tickets. Doors open at 5:30pm. Dinner is served at 6:30pm.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREAT 2020 March 20 and March 21, 2020

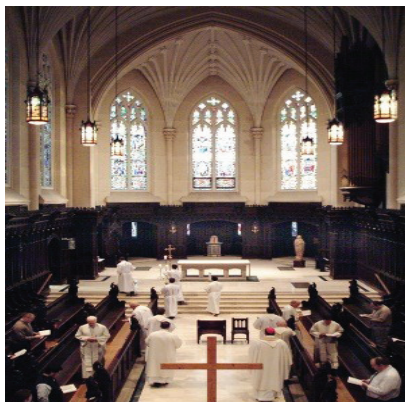
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Starts on the Friday at 6:45pm—10:00pm and on
Saturday 8:30am—6:00pm

To RSVP please contact Holy Name of Jesus Parish in
Essex at 519-776-8483

Fee: \$100.00 per couple

Payable at the door on Friday



OPEN MASSES AT ST. PETER'S SEMINARY

St. Peter's
Seminary invites
all to attend open
Mass in the
St. Thomas
Aquinas Chapel
on the following
Sundays at
11:00am:
**January 19 and
March 1, 2020**

**1040 Waterloo Street
London, Ontario**



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.

The Leamington Ministerial Association Prays for:
LEAMINGTON UNITED MENNONITE

East Windsor Catholic Family of Parishes ANNULMENT EXPLAINED

If you have had a breakdown in your marriage or experienced divorce, we are here for you. Learn more about annulment from Fr. Mark Gazin, Canon Lawyer

JANUARY 22ND FROM 7:00-8:30pm

GOOD SHEPHERD—REGISTER AT

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Child Care will be provided

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 the weekend of **February**

14–16, 2020, at Holy Family Retreat House. To register for the Windsor-area weekend, please call **1-800-705-6356** or email **1015@retrouvaille.org**.

NEXT COLLECTION COUNT - TEAM #2 MONDAY JANUARY 13TH

Collection for December 29, 2019

273 Regular Sunday:	\$6989.00
Loose:	973.55
Total:	\$7962.55
Building Fund:	\$1190.00
Christmas:	\$1090.00
Initial Envelope:	85.00
Solemnity of Mary:	46.00
PAR Building Fund \$40.00/Envelopes \$1490.00	



Collection for New Year's Day

Regular:	\$1430.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$4208.30
Initial Envelope:	\$ 900.00
Christmas:	\$ 690.00

Collection for January 5, 2020

314 Regular Sunday:	\$5095.00
Loose:	1474.95
Total:	\$6569.95
Building Fund:	602.00
Christmas:	\$ 525.00
Solemnity of Mary:	\$ 495.00
Initial Envelope:	\$ 652.75



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