

# St. Michael's Parish

29 Elliott St. Leamington, Ontario N8H3M4

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#### **JANUARY 13, 2019 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

From Fr. Tom...

On this festival of the Baptism of the Lord, we thank God for the grace of baptism.

A couple of years ago, Pope Francis asked a question at his Sunday audience: who among you remembers the day of their baptism?

He said our Baptism is important to celebrate because it's the date of our rebirth as children of God.

The day we were baptized is the most important day of our life because on that day we were:

- freed from sin
- reborn as children of God
- incorporated into the Body of Christ
- made a member of His Church with brothers and sisters around the world and in heaven
- filled with grace and spiritually transformed
- sealed with an indelible spiritual mark

Each time we bless ourselves with holy water at Church or at home, we recall our baptism and the words of the Priest or Deacon: I baptize you in name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Our homework this week from Pope Francis!

"And I will allow myself to give you some advice... but, more than advice, a task. Today, at home, go look, ask about the date of your Baptism and that way you will keep in mind that most beautiful day of Baptism. To know the date of our Baptism is to know a blessed day. The danger of not knowing is that we can lose awareness of what the Lord has done in us, the memory of the gift we have received. Thus, we end up considering it only as an event that took place in the past – and not by our own will but by that of our parents – and that it has no impact on the present. We must reawaken the memory of our Baptism. We are called to live out our Baptism every day as the present reality of our lives."



## Weekend Liturgical Schedule

#### St. Michael's

29 Elliott Street Leamington, Ontario N8H 3M4

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## Saturday 5:00 p.m.

#### . **Sunday** 8:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m. 3:00 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 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.

## **Pastoral Team**

Rev. Tom Ferrera Ext 222
Parish Administrator

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

Alex Litt
John Vezina

Deacons

Veronica Costa Ext 227
Youth Co-ordinator

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

> Parish Advisory Chair Bill Cervini

**Finance Committee Chair**Pat Fox

Knights of Columbus Anthony Semaan

Catholic Women's League Mary Lapos/Sr. Elaine Cole

> 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

## St. Míchael's Parísh Welcomes You To Our Churches!



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#### 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.

## **Holy Baptism**



In the month of December we welcomed the following children through the waters of baptism:

> **MACKENZIE RADIGAN** GRACE RADIGAN VITORIA SAVO **EFFIE PASKARIS JAMES NEAL**

The Leamington Ministerial Association Prays for: FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH



Please pray for those in our Parish Family who have recently passed away:

MADELINE BAILEY, JOSE CARREIRO, PEGGY DAVIS, TERESA CARDUCCI, **LUCREZIA BARRACO** 

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: JANUARY 20** 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

First Reading (Isaiah 62:1-5) Second Reading (1 Corinthians 12:4-11) **Gospel** (John 2:1-12)

#### ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH BRICK CAMPAIGN

Celebrate a memory in a permanent way at St. Michael's with a keepsake brick in our beautiful Celebration Pathway. Each keepsake brick is available with a contribution of \$500. Your name and/or message will be etched on the brick. All funds for this initiative will go directly to the building loan and will support any future capital projects for the parish. Please pick up a brochure at the back of the church or at the office.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

St. Michael's Church has Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays from 9:00am to 6:30pm.

"When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now." -Saint Teresa of Calcutta



#### **DAILY MASS INTENTIONS** FOR THE WEEK OF January 14 - January 19

Mon. 8:00am	Gino Zompanti and Deceased Family George and Therese Berthelot, Deceased Family Najm Najm
Tues. 7:00pm	Fernando and Arminda Pires, Carlos Alberto Aniceto and Lucilia Coimbra Antonio Gaudendio-Barbosa, Palmira LouracoVidinha
Wed. 8:00am	Deceased Family of Tony Braga Fernando, Marion and Lucinda DeSousa Deceased Members of the Lee Family
OLBS 7:00pm	Antonio, Filomena Marques, Antonio Resendes Nelson Couto Armenio and Maria Marques
Thurs. 8:00am	Sam Jabbour, Laura Tannous, Deceased Family Fred and Manuel Freitas Diego Mastronardi, Peter Diab
Friday 8:00am	Manuel, Maria and Fred Freitas Deceased Malkoun and Jabbour Family Maria and Manuel Oliveira
Sat. 8:00am	Mabel Sweet Jeffrey Horopw Fiorina Ingratta
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The next Knights of Columbus Meeting will be on Monday, January 14th in our meeting room.

A friendly reminder that the Day Chapel is a scent-free zone.

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

Jan. 13 Rev. Michael Parent

Jan. 14 Sr. Mary Boere

Jan. 15 Rev. Jude Ogbenna

Jan. 16 Deacon Thomas MacLeod

Jan. 17 Rev. Martin Nyland

Jan. 18 Deacon Reginald Quesnel

Jan. 19 Deacon Mark Castanier



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LIVING LIFE BY DESIGN, NOT BY DEFAULT

In this week's FORMED 'pick of the week', Fr. Mike Schmitz discusses how to live life intentionally in our technological age. He will outline a few small steps you can take to stop going with the flow and live your life by design. It's perfect listening material for the beginning of this new year. This week, go to **formed.org** and listen to **LIFE BY** DESIGN, NOT BY DEFAULT.



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

- ~The new executive for 2019 will be installed this weekend. Thank you again to the women who said 'yes' to God's call to serve.
- ~2019 Memberships are now due. Please renew at the office or at Masses on January 27. The cost is \$25 and your gift is
- ~CWL Sunday is January 27 at the 10:00am Mass. All members are invited to attend this Mass to show solidarity. If you wish to serve as usher, greeter, reader or Eucharistic minister, please call Peggy @ 519-322-2762
- ~On Wednesday January 23 at 7:00pm, St. Michael's will host the Essex Regional Presidents' meeting in the Conference room. All members are welcome to attend. It is an opportunity to hear the activities of other councils.
- ~4 Thursdays in February (approx. 2 hours)- volunteers will be needed for delivering Meals on Wheels. Call Mary at 519-326-8253.

"Courageously follow the path of personal holiness and diligently nourish yourselves with the Word of God and the Eucharist"-St. John Paul II

A New Year, a New You! Are you hoping to have your best year ever? The best way to do that is to give yourself the gift of a Cursillo Retreat. Give yourself a gift away from the business of life and to refresh and become re-inspired through a Men's or Women's weekend filled with the Holy Spirit. Men's weekend: Feb 14-17, Women's: Feb 28-March 3, 2019 at Holy Name of Jesus Church, Essex. For more information, call Luis & Dina Sardinha at

326-0994 or via Facebook.

#### Collection for Sunday – December 23, 2018

**386** Regular Sunday: \$9723.00 Loose: \$1376.85 \$11,099.85 Total: Average per Envelope: \$25.19 Christmas: \$1300.00 Solemnity of Mary: \$20.00 Initial Envelope: \$20.00 St. Peter's Seminary: \$6.00

Easter:

Pledges this week:



#### Collection for Christmas Eve/Christmas Day

\$2.00

\$5980.00

Regular Envelopes: \$687.00 \$4780.87 Loose: Total: \$5467.87 Christmas: \$34,127,00 Initial Envelopes: \$85.00

## **VERONICA'S CORNER**



#### PARISH BREAKFAST

There will be a parish breakfast on Sunday, January 13 from 9:00am-12:00pm in the Church hall. The menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage, toast, pancakes, coffee, juice and tea. The cost is by donation and proceeds will go towards those young people attending the Steubenville Conference this summer.

#### **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

There will be a family movie night on Wednesday, January 16 from 6:30-8:30pm in St. Michael's Church Hall. Refreshments will be served and the feature film will be "Back to the Future."

#### KEEPING CONNECTED PARENT/TEEN WORKSHOP

It's easy for families to get disconnected as kids grow and other demands pull families apart. The Keep Connected program provides an opportunity to draw them back together and give them skills to use over the coming year. The program is designed for parents and their 10-14 year old youth. Child care for younger children will also be provided. This program will begin February 21st. The cost is \$25.00 for the six weeks and includes dinner and supplies for the meeting. Please register at

www.dol.ca/keep connected.

Space is limited - register early.

Are you looking for a New Year's Resolution? St. Michael's Parish is always looking for some good volunteers to help with the different ministries. We currently need volunteers for Sunday School, Youth and Family Commission and visitors to the hospital. If you are interested in becoming involved, please call the Church office.

#### Collection for Sunday – December 30, 2018

**319** Regular Sunday: \$6297.00 Loose: \$1138.65 Total: \$7435.65 Average per Envelope: \$19.74 Christmas: \$880.00 Pledges this week: \$620.00 Solemnity of Mary: \$140.00 Initial Envelope: \$60.00 St. Peter's Seminary: \$20.00 Thanksgiving Appeal: \$5.00



#### Collection for New Year's / Solemnity of Mary

Regular Envelopes: \$418.25 Loose: \$465.55 Total: \$883.80 Initial Envelopes: \$784.50 Solemnity of Mary: \$3729.05 Christmas: \$50.00 Pledges: \$35.00

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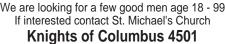


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