

St. Michael's Parish

29 Elliott St. Leamington, Ontario N8H3M4

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JANUARY 26, 2020 - 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This Sunday is chosen to be "Word of God" Sunday. Pope Francis has asked the Church to remind us of the role of the Word of God in our lives.

In our parish each Sunday we have priests, deacons, lectors, cantors, catechists and choirs who proclaim the Word of God. Our prayer is that we are formed and inspired by the word we hear.

Some people have the practice of reading from the Bible every day. Others may want to read the Bible but feel unsure about how to begin. Reading from the Bible is important because it is a guidebook for our pilgrimage through life.

Matthew Kelly, a Catholic speaker and writer suggested the following...

When it comes to reading the Bible, the first rule is: don't be intimidated. So many people never read the Bible because they get intimidated. If you come across something you don't understand, just press on. Don't get bogged down.

The Bible lays out a blueprint for happiness. It helps us to know the heart of God, and His incredible dreams for us. How to start:

- **1.** The Gospel of Matthew. Delve deeply into the life and teachings of Jesus.
- 2. The book of Genesis. This will give you incredible insight into the human condition, show you what happens when we walk with God and what happens when we turn our backs on Him. It helps you to see that the world is a bit of a mess and the Gospel is the antidote.
- **3. The book of Psalms.** This is the most beautiful collection of prayers. Here you will find a prayer for every occasion in your life. Every emotion is expressed.

Begin by reading one chapter a day. It will take you **twenty-eight days** to work your way through Matthew and **fifty days** to make your journey through Genesis. If you then pray three Psalms a day it will take you **fifty days** to make your way through all 150 Psalms. In just **128 days** you will have a good sense of what the Bible is all about.

When you read your chapter, approach it with an open heart, listening for what God is saying to you.

As you read:

1. Begin with a short prayer.

- 2. Read a chapter of the Bible.
- 3. Pick out a word, phrase, or idea that jumps out at you.
- 4. Talk to God about it.

If you read the same chapter many times, you might be drawn to different phrases or ideas on different days. As you read, identify a word, phrase, or idea in each chapter that jumps out at you, something that taps you on the shoulder. Have a **conversation** with God by listening to what God is trying to say to you through it. Another way to connect...bring your Bible to Mass. It is different to read the word from your Bible (however don't forget to do some advanced preparation by marking the readings ahead of time!)Fr. Tom

<u>Schedule</u>

St. Michael's

29 Elliott Street Leamington, Ontario N8H 3M4 Phone: 519-326-2643 Fax: 519-326-2644 smp@dol.ca

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.

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 Bill Cervini

Finance Committee Chair Pat Fox

Knights of Columbus

Don Bedore

Catholic Women's League Mary Di Milo

St. Vincent de Paul Stephanie Heaton

Office Staff

Sandy Foldesi Ext 0
Secretary

<u>Sacraments</u>

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 CHURCHES OF ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH WELCOME YOU!



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.**

~A HUGE THANK YOU to each and every one who has helped in any way thus far with the **ALPHA meals**. Please consider volunteering to help for the next Mondays on our schedule.

More help is always needed to prepare and/or serve meals, provide dessert, clean up, etc. for any of the following Mondays–February 3, February 17, March 2, March 16 and March 23. If you can assist in any way please call Mary Di Milo at 519-326-8253.

~Donations of much needed warm hats, mittens, scarves, socks and bedding are requested for The Inn on Bridge Avenue (Welcome Centre Shelter for Women) in Windsor. Call Anne Marie at 519-326-3007 if you have any items to donate.

"We must give more in order to get more. It is the generous giving of ourselves that produces the generous harvest." Orson Sevett Marden



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

"Could you not watch one hour with Me?"



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

The St. Michael's Prayer Shawl Ministry Circle brings together people with a similar interest in sharing fellowship and putting to use the talent

of knitting and crocheting to create prayer shawls that will be given away to help spread the message of God's mercy, love and compassion. We are always looking for those who can knit or crochet to help in this very rewarding ministry. We meet every 3rd Saturday of the month in the Sun Room from 10:00am-11:30am. For more information, please call Sandy at the parish office at 519-326-2643.

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

The Leamington Ministerial Association Prays for:
St. Michael's Parish



FEBRUARY 2, 2020 - Presentation of the Lord First Reading (Malachi 3:1-4) Second Reading (Hebrews 2:10-11, 13b-18) Gospel (Luke 2:22-40)



DAILY MASS INTENTIONS January 27 to February 1

Mon. 8:00am	Jose, Maria and Rolande Cabral Manuel and Margarida Pavao Vittorio Paglione
Tues. 7:00pm	Ernesto, Evelina and Daniel Moniz Jaime Rodrigues Helen MacKinnon
Wed. 8:00am	Mike and Essie Youssef, Deceased Family Kouzma and Mona Daraiche, Deceased Family Alex Del Brocco
Thurs. 8:00am	Francesco Mastronardi Antonio & Cecilia Branco, Souls in Purgatory Carmelia Mendonca
Friday 8:00am	Joaquina & Alberto Pires, Deceased Family Antonio Murracas, Maria Carmo, Dec. Family Maurice Julio and Deceased Family
Sat. 8:00am	Deceased Members of the Branco Family Paul R. and Joseph Farias, Stefano Perciballi Rocco Ricci

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

Jan. 26 Rev. Michael Dwyer

Jan. 27 Ursuline Religious of the Chatham Union

Jan. 28 Rev. Sebastin Pakiyanathan

Jan. 29 Mrs. Kathryn Heemsherk

Jan. 30 Rev. Franklin Mizzi

Jan. 31 Rev. Martin Tschibumku Kabanga

Feb. 01 Rev. Christopher Bourdeau

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

SC. MICHABL'S

"Reform your lives! The kingdom of heaven is at hand."
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Contact the Vocation Office at 1-888-548-9649 or email vocations@dol.ca

WINDSOR-ESSEX CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL

BOARD: Junior Kindergarten Registration 2020/2021. Junior and Senior Kindergarten registration for the next school year will take place from February 18 to February 28. A system-wide Open House/Evening Registration is planned for Wednesday, February 19th from 5 to 7:00pm at local Catholic schools.

Requirements: Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate, Health Card and Immunization Record. For more information visit www.wecdsb.on.ca



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

A January Ultreya for Windsor/Essex County is being held at Assumption Church in Windsor on Friday, January 31st 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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OPENING THE WORD WEEKLY REFLECTION

This is a program offering prayer and insights for the Sunday Readings. Featuring a variety of experienced presenters including Dr. Tim Gray, Mary Healy, Scott Powell, Dr. Edward Sri and Fr. John Riley. The videos are designed to facilitate thought and discussion for personal formation. Watch on **formed.org**



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is grateful to all our parishioners for their continued support in all areas. We appreciate the donation of clothes and assorted sundries but please do not drop them off at the food pantry or St.

Michael's. We then have to take the donations to either Harrow or Essex or the Central Store located at 1245

Lauzon Road in Windsor. There is a donation bin at Cardinal Carter Secondary School for this purpose. Thank you for your co-operation.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Michael's Leamington Conference would like to introduce our new officers for 2020:

President: Stephanie Heaton Vice President: Peter Quick Secretary: Joanne Petri-MacPherson Treasurer: Jessica Gaspard

Our telephone number is (226) 340-7233 and to reach us via Facebook: www.facebook.com/ssypleamington

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE SHARE LENT

WORKSHOP - Saturday, February 8, 2020 9:30am-1:00pm Corpus Christi Parish Hall 1400 Cabana Road West, Windsor. Lunch with vegetarian option ~ bring a friend! Please contact one of the following people if you plan on attending: Bonnie Drago at 519-972-5590 / Freda Jones at 519-915-3832 / Pat Hudak at 519-733-8702

MARRIAGE PREPARATION RETREAT 2020 March 20 and March 21, 2020

St. Michael's Church
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.



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. Come see for yourself what all the excitement is about!

Assumption University Lecture

Assumption U presents their latest lecture from The Stephen Jarislowsky Chair in Religion and Conflict, "Are Limits on Religious Expression Becoming a Trend in Canada?" on Wednesday, February 5th at 7:00pm at the Signature Events Centre, 3310 Dougall Ave., Windsor. "The rise of secularism in Quebec with Bill 21 has prompted questions as to the future of religious expression in Canadian society, particularly with regard to wearing religious symbols and attire. This panel will consist of local community members from four different religious backgrounds. Each panelist will be asked to share their thoughts on the current state of religious expression in Canada and speculate as to whether religious symbols will become less visible as time progresses." All are welcome and admission is free, with discussion and refreshments to follow. For more information please call Cecile at 519-973-7033 ext. 0



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.



LEAMINGTON BLOOD DONOR CENTRE

Wednesday, February 5th 1:00-7:00pm Leamington Kinsmen Recreation Complex New Donors & Walk Ins 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 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.

Collection for January 19, 2020

253 Regular Sunday: \$4303.90 Loose: 1001.50 **Total:** \$5305.40

Building Fund last week \$550.00 Building Fund this week \$345.00

Solemnity of Mary: \$ 125.00 Initial Envelope: \$ 45.00 Christmas: \$ 20.00

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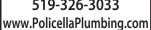






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