

# St. Michael's Parish

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# MARCH 31, 2019 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Our Lenten Series on the 7 deadly sins and the 7 lively virtues has to date taught us of the sin of PRIDE and the virtue of HUMILITY, GREED and GENEROUS LIVING, GLUTTONY and CONTENTMENT, SLOTH and DILIGENCE and this week we illuminate the sin of ANGER and the virtue of PATIENCE.

If you're counting, we are now teaching the fifth deadly sin and it's lively virtue, meaning that Lent is more than half way over! Quickly, the holiest times of our Liturgical year are approaching-Holy Week and the Glories that await us at the Easter Resurrection. Our Lenten series allows us the opportunity to clean out the dust from the corners of our lives by becoming more aware of what puts us into the dark (deadly sin) and what can pull us back into the light (lively virtue).

The older son in today's parable of the Prodigal Son is overlooked many times - maybe because it reveals what goes on inside each of us at times. Scripture describes how he became angry; so angry that he didn't even want to go to be part of the celebration. His anger blinded and overpowered him to the point that he was not thinking of anyone but himself and how he had been hurt.

How often in our own lives do we let the sin of anger overpower our very beings, turning us into people that many around us don't even recognize anymore? Anger this hot and blinding will never amount to anything good, however this is exactly where Satan would like us to be.....under his power.

Patience is where we learn to diffuse this anger and cool that boiling pot of fury. The virtue of patience is something that is tested many times not only within our families, our workplaces and even at many sporting events.

Patience, as my mother would always tell me, takes practice and practice we must. Anger on the other hand needs no practice as it is the devil's earthly vice and comes all too naturally.

Let us take the remainder of our Lenten time in "the desert" to work on all that we have been taught so far in conquering our sin and mastering our virtues.

Please remember all of the sick within our parish and may God continue to bless you and your families and all that you do in the name of Christ!

Deacon John Vezina

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#### 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

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

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.



## St. Michael's Parish Welcomes You To Our Churches!





Please join us Fridays during Lent in the Church Hall for our Lenten fish fries from **4:00-7:00pm** prepared and served by the K. of C. and the C.W.L. Cost is \$12.00. Stations of the Cross will follow in the Church at 7:00pm lead by The Society of

St. Vincent de Paul. This will be followed by The **Beauty of Belief**, a short (approximately one half hour) video presentation by Sacred Heart Seminary with this week's guest speaker, Dr. Janet Smith.



#### **HOW DO I BECOME CATHOLIC?**

Help bring to the light those who no longer want to walk in darkness. Invite those who have never been baptized or who have been

baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, as well as adult Catholics who have not been confirmed, to the inquiry sessions. For more information, contact Fr. Tom at (519) 326-2643.

### **Day of Confessions**

This year's Diocesan Day of Confessions is being planned for **Wednesday**, **April 10**. This special opportunity helps us to set aside our old ways, to be renewed in heart and soul, and to be reconciled with our merciful and loving God. As Pope Francis reminds us, confession is where we encounter Jesus. Confession times in our parish are 8:30am to 8:00pm at St. Michael's and 2:00-3:00pm at OLBS. Our diocesan website (www.dol.ca) offers some excellent resources and information about Lent and the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



### UPCOMING SCHEDULE FOR FR. STEVE'S CLASSES

Wed. April 3 - Divine Intimacy Wed. April 17 - Ongoing Faith Formation ~We will then break for Easter~

#### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesdays from 9:00am-6:30pm at St. Michael's. In the Mass and in Eucharistic Adoration we meet the merciful love of God that passes through the Heart of Jesus Christ. Saint John Paul II



Please pray for those in our Parish family who have recently passed away: ROBERT JOHNSON ~ JOAO

**VERISSIMO** ~ **MARIA REITH** who passed away in Germany, MANUEL COSTA ~ who passed away in Massachusetts, NICOLA MONACO ~ ANTONINA ESPOSITO

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS: APRIL 7, 2019 **5TH SUNDAY OF LENT:** 

First Reading (Isaiah 43:16-21) Second Reading (Philippians 3:8-14) Gospel (John 8:1-11)



## DAILY MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF April 1 – April 6

Mon. 8:00am	Jack Camara, Conceicao and Jose Rebelo Merces, Alberto and Manuel Aguiar Manuel and Margarida Pavao	
Tues. 7:00pm	Living and Deceased Members of the C.W.L. Living and Deceased Members of the K. of C. Alice and Francisco Amaral	
Wed. 8:00am	Edward B. Araujo Peter and Alida Hudders George, Mary and Maurice Foulon	
Thurs. 8:00am	Caroline Perciballi and Antonio Cristofari Allan Simpson Joseph Zeiter	
Friday 8:00am	Elias, Antonio Luis and Maria Pacheco Boula and Jamila Mikhail, Deceased Family Manuel S. Pereira	
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Sat. 8:00am	All Souls in Purgatory Ottavio and Benina Colaizzi Victoria and Antonios Boutros	

#### **SUN PARLOR HOME**

April 4

Thurs	Manuel, Lurdes and Jose Rebelo
10:00am	Jose V. Carreiro and Ernesto Rebelo
	Loreto and Caterina DelGreco

The Leamington Ministerial Association Prays for: ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN



### EASTER MEMORIAL

As we prepare for Easter, we once again remember in a special way all those family members and friends who have died in the hope of sharing in the Lord's triumph over death. To have your loved one's name as part of the Memorial, please come to the office or drop a

donation along with the names and your phone number in an envelope in the collection basket before Monday, April 15. An insert with the names will be added to the bulletin on **Easter Sunday.** A special intention will also be added to the liturgies. Proceeds will go directly to offset the cost of flowers and decorating the Church.

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

Mar. 31~ Rev. Danny Santos

**Apr. 01** ~ Rev. Alan Dufraimont

Apr. 02 ~ Rev. Alan Momney

**Apr. 03** ~ Dr. Robert Langlois

**Apr. 04** ~ Rev. John Johnson

**Apr. 05** ~ Mrs. Francine Visser **Apr. 06** ~ Mrs. Virginia Eade





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#### FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

STATIONS OF THE CROSS By Saint Alphonsus Liguori Journey with Christ to Calvary. Personally follow Christ and His Sorrowful Mother on their journey to Calvary with The Stations of the Cross. Moving meditations by St. Alphonus Liguori accompanied by the beautiful Latin hymn, Stabat Mater, draw you into a more intimate experience of the Church's powerful Lenten prayer. Listen on *formed.org*.

#### 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.

**HEALING MASS** ~ At Immaculate Heart Parish in Windsor, 2153 Parkwood Avenue, Tecumseh Road East. It will be celebrated on Friday, April 5th at 7:00pm. Elevator accessible. Teams are available to pray with you after the Mass.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church – Day of Reflection with Sister Linda Parent **Wednesday**, **April** 3<sup>rd</sup>, starting with Mass at 9:30 a.m.

\$5 at the door of Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall – including lunch. Please call Brigitte McFadden at 519-948-5466 for a reservation by Sunday, March 31st.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

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







#### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**HOLY THURSDAY:** 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

GOOD FRIDAY: 10:30am Children's Service

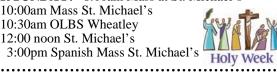
3:00pm Solemn Good Friday Service

**HOLY SATURDAY:** 8:00pm Easter Vigil

**EASTER SUNDAY:** 8:00am Mass at St. Michael's

10:00am Mass St. Michael's 10:30am OLBS Wheatley 12:00 noon St. Michael's

3:00pm Spanish Mass St. Michael's



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

~Note: CWL Monthly Meetings have been changed to the second Wednesday of each month. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 10th.

~Mark your calendars for the Annual Banquet - May 8<sup>th</sup> and June Pot Luck – June 5<sup>th</sup>

"We are God's workers, working together." 1 Corinthians 3:9

## **VERONICA'S CORNER**



#### **South County Youth COR**

Registration forms for the next Youth COR retreat are due on Monday, April 1 at the office. Teens in Grades 10 and up are invited to join us for this amazing weekend experience. For more information, contact Veronica at (519) 326-2631 or at vcosta@dol.ca

**FOOD DONATIONS for COR** ~ The following food donations are still needed for the next Youth COR weekend. Any help you can give us will be greatly appreciated. Please contact Veronica at (519) 326-2643 or vcosta@dol.ca. ~12 loaves white bread, 100 hot dog buns, 3 large salad dressing, (3) 4 litre bags of milk, 10 cans frozen orange juice, 10 cans frozen apple juice, 5 bottles of juice (any flavour), 2 large tubs margarine, jar of strawberry jam, 300 large paper plates, 200 small paper plates, 2 large dishwashing soap, 40lbs potatoes, (1) 5lb bag of carrots, 2 bunches of celery, 6lbs sliced ham, 60 Brenner hot dogs, 7 heads of lettuce, 70 white rolls, 5lbs ground beef, 1 pound of butter, 5 bottles of grape juice. Thanks!

#### STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE

Our next meeting for those interested in attending the Steubenville Youth Conference are invited to join us on Friday, April 12 from 7:30-8:30pm in the Sun Room located next to the Parish Hall. For more information about Steubenville, contact Mary Vezina at (519) 322-5964 or vezinafamily@hotmail.com. You can also contact Veronica at (519) 326-2643 or vcosta@dol.ca.



Thank you to all those who attended our Parish breakfast supporting our youth. Your generosity was overwhelming. Thank You!

The April Ultreya for Windsor/Essex County is being held at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Windsor, Ontario on Friday, April 12th at 7:30pm. If you have made a Cursillo Weekend, please come and share in a faith-filled evening. All Cursillistas are WELCOME!

### **Avow - Vocation Discernment Group for Catholic**

**Women** ~ Avow is a small group for Catholic women, ages 18 to 35 designed to create an atmosphere of freedom and openness for the authentic pursuit of the Father's will. Groups are guided by the discernment principles of St. Ignatius of Loyola. In Windsor-Essex & Surrounding Regions - meetings are held monthly. Please contact Maureen at the Madonna House in Windsor at mhwindsor@dol.ca.

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