



St. Michael's Parish

29 Elliott St. Leamington, Ontario N8H3M4

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Weekend Liturgical Schedule

St. Michael's
29 Elliott Street
Leamington, Ontario
N8H 3M4
Phone: 519-326-2643
Fax: 519-326-2644

Saturday
5:00 p.m.

Sunday
8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. - Family
3:00 p.m. - Spanish
7:00 p.m. - Youth

**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
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Saturdays
Or call for an Appointment

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

First Sunday of Lent March 5, 2017

From the Desk of Father John:

On this first Sunday of Lent, I would like to share with you my thoughts from my homily of Ash Wednesday.

The Lord's journey to Jerusalem with his disciples 2000 years ago gave the Lord an opportunity to teach His disciples. The events and encounters along the way allowed Jesus to prepare the disciples for the events that were to take place in Jerusalem; His arrest, trial, crucifixion and resurrection. On this Ash Wednesday we begin this journey in a special way. We are not headed to the Jerusalem of the disciples, but rather we are headed to the New Jerusalem, the Jerusalem of eternity - our heavenly home!

So where will we journey with the Lord? We will journey with Christ to the desert; we will journey with Christ up the mountain; we will go to the well and encounter the Samaritan woman; we will journey with Christ and encounter the man born blind, we will journey with Christ to Bethany and see Christ bring Lazarus back to life; and we will journey with Christ to Jerusalem to His death.

So where does our journey take us today? Today we are being asked if we want to be part of this journey. In a little while we will be marked by the sign of the Cross, a sign that we are prepared to take seriously this journey with the Lord! The Gospel presents to us the implications of being marked by ashes.

It is about preparing our hearts to be formed or rather transformed by our encounter with Christ during this journey. Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are the traditional ways to prepare our hearts for the journey to Jerusalem. Whatever special Lenten practices we embrace this year, they are to open us to encounter Christ in a radically new way. How will we encounter Christ in the desert? Christ on the mountain? Christ at the well? Christ with the blind man? Christ with Lazarus?

Our Lenten journey and practices must open us up to a profound encounter with Jesus Christ!

Let us pray for one another!

....Fr. John

Pastoral Team

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Pastor

Rev. Danny Santos Ext 27

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Sacraments

Baptisms - Call office

First Reconciliation -

Preparation begins in September

First Holy Communion -

Preparation begins in February

Confirmation - Preparation
begins in November

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



In the month of February we welcomed into St. Michael's Parish the following children through the waters of baptism:

Amara Grace Lopes	Eleanor Beatrice Laba
Stephanie Gabriela Coxaj Ruiz	Avery Lorenzina Debono
Jameson Kenneth Stasko	Owen Steven Schiefer
Claire Emma Maceyovski	Zaya Marie Tanada
Alexander Lorenzo Cabral	Maddux Anthony Carnevale



RCIA

Have you or someone you know expressed an interest in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Have you ever wondered what makes Catholicism different than other faiths? Have you ever considered becoming Catholic?

Perhaps everyone in your family is baptized but you are not and would like to be? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please contact **Simone at St. Michael's Parish. (519) 326-2643 ext. 29.**



HAPPY 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS

To Jose and Aguida Pacheco on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary!

This week the Leamington Ministerial Association prays for:

MOUNT ZION FULL GOSPEL CHURCH



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Second Sunday of Lent

Last week, temptation; this week, transfiguration. In both temptation and transfiguration we are with Jesus. Resisting temptation is our journey to transfiguration, our participation in Jesus' own glory.

First Reading (Genesis 12:1-4)
Second Reading (2 Timothy 1:8b-10)
Gospel (Matthew 17:1-9)

Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Michael's

March 6 - March 11

Mon. 8:00am	Living and Deceased Members of the K of C Joe and Sara Gebriel and Deceased Family Antonio B. and Jose Medeiros
Tues. 8:00am	Living and Deceased Members of the CWL Maria Carmo, Natercia Soares and Antonio Murracas Nicola Salvati
Wed. 8:00am	NO MORNING MASS
Wed. 7:00pm	Phyllis and Roy Cole and Deceased Family Paul Zeiter Aniceto Coimbra
Thurs. 8:00am	Edward Araujo Amancio Freitas Mary Hudders
Friday 8:00am	Piedade and Jose Carreiro Fred Zakaria Jose and Eufrosina Valerio, Arturo Carreiro
Sat 8:00am	Maria Bairos, Jose and Maria Barros Carmina Labbate Patrocínio Lauyan

Sun Parlour Home

March 9

Thurs. 9:30am	Manuel, Lurdes and Jose Rebelo Jose V. Carreiro, Ernesto Rebelo Joe, Antoinette and Tony Semaan
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Franklin Nursing Home

March 9

Thurs. 2:15pm	John Oliveira Maria da Conceicao Costa
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Meadows Manor

March 10

Friday 10:00am	Joao Medeiros Oliveira Antonio, Maria and Ana Raposo and Dec. Family
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May we be gifted in unity to serve God and all peoples in authentic love



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

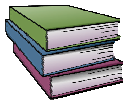
MARIA FONTES, CRISTINA DIAS-FURTADO, ELTA COURTS, CATERINA LIGORI, GIUSEPPE BUTINIELLO, who passed away in Italy, father in law of Letizia Butiniello of our parish.



St. Anne's Parish in Tecumseh is hosting an All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast on **Sunday March 12th** starting at 9am until 2 pm in the hall. Breakfast includes an order of sausage, coffee/tea/juice and hot chocolate. All are welcome, donation only!

Come and See Discernment Weekend March 24-26

St. Peter's Seminary invites you to a discernment retreat for men 17-45 years old considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a firsthand experience at the life of a seminarian, spiritual helps for discernment and an opportunity to meet current seminarians and faculty. The weekend is scheduled for March 24-26. Contact Fr. Patrick Bénéteau at vocations@dol.ca, or 519-432-1824 ext.204, to register.



We have a few copies left of Fr. Patrick Bénéteau's book, "**Images of faith, portraits of a people.**" The cost is \$40.00 and proceeds go to restoring the murals of St. Joseph's Church in River Canard. If you would like a copy, they are available at the church office.



Marriage Preparation Retreat "Living a Joy-Filled Marriage"

The spring session will be held at Holy Name of Jesus Parish in Essex on **April 28th and 29th** -Cost \$100 per couple. To R.S.V.P. contact Holy Name at **519-776-8483** or come in to St. Michael's Church office for a registration form.



FISH FRY FRIDAYS

Come join us **Fridays** during Lent for our Lenten fish fry dinners in the Church Hall from **4:30-6:30 pm**. Enjoy a delicious dinner of fish/baked potato/homemade coleslaw and wonderful desserts prepared by the

Catholic Women's League.

Adults: \$12.00/Children under 12: \$5.00

The Fish Fry Fridays will be held for the 6 weeks during Lent. Hope to see everyone there!



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

The CWL is the voice of Catholic women expressing their values and promoting dignity and justice for all.

-Check out Salt and Light TV's documentary "Women on a Mission" on www.cwl.ca

-CWL meeting **Tues. March 7** in the CWL meeting room in the church basement at 7:00pm with our guest speaker from the Sun Parlour Home followed by our general meeting.

-Desserts are needed for Friday fish fries. Please drop these off Thursday or Friday in the church kitchen.

-Our CWL Lenten parish retreat is **Sat. Mar. 25** ~more details to follow.

Veronica's Corner



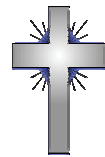
SMYL YOUTH PROGRAM - CHRIST'S LIGHT IN THE WORLD

All youth in grades 3-8 are invited to join us at our next meeting on **Tuesday March 7th** from 6:30-8pm in St. Michael's Church. Come and find out what it means to be Christ's light in the world.



YAGOTTAWANNA FOR TEENS—MOVIE NIGHT~

All teens in grades 8-12 are invited to a Movie Night on **Sunday, March 19** starting with the 7:00pm Mass followed by a movie until 10pm in St. Michael's Church Hall.



SOUTH COUNTY YOUTH COR

All youth ages 16-21 or in grade 11 are invited to the next **Youth COR** being held at **Holy Name of Jesus in Essex** the weekend of **March 31 to April 2**. The cost is \$35 and registration forms are found at the back of each church and at Cardinal Carter in Campus Ministry. For more information, contact Veronica at **519-326-2643 ext. 28**.

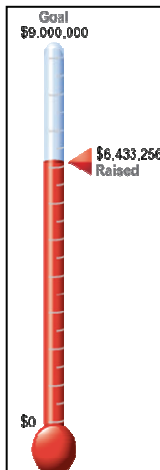


STEBENVILLE CONFERENCE FOR TEENS

St. Michael's Parish is planning to attend the Toronto Steubenville Conference this summer. There will be an information meeting on **Thursday March 9th at 7:00pm** in **St. Michael's Church Hall**. Anyone in grade 8-12 is invited to come out..



PARISH SURVEY RESULTS - Thank you to everyone who filled out a parish survey. Due to the large amount of completed surveys, it is taking us a bit of time to compile the results. Please be patient with us. Once the results are compiled, they will be published. In the meantime, surveys are still available if you haven't had a chance to complete one. They can be found on the survey monkey website within the next week. Thank You!



Offertory Collection-February 26, 2017

404 Regular Sunday	\$6415.00
Loose:	1228.00
TOTAL:	\$7643.00
Average for the week:	\$15.88
Pledges for the Week:	\$430.00

Total Construction cost to date:
over **\$9,986,334.32**
COLLECTION TEAM #1

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

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<p>We are looking for a few good men age 18 - 99 If interested contact Fr. Pat Knights of Columbus 4501 Fraternity, Brotherhood, Patriotism & Charity</p>	<p>bradt's butcher block Fresh Local Meats • Cheese • Produce 34 Mill Street West 519-326-4871 facebook.com/bradtsbutcherblock1</p>	<p>THANK YOU to our Parishioners and friends for pledging to the Building Fund in support towards our new church</p>	
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