# St. Michael's Parish

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Weekend Liturgical Schedule

**St. Michael's** Phone: 519-326-2643 Fax: 519-326-2644

(No Masses)

**St. Joseph's** 310 Sherk St. Leamington, ON

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday
7:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m. Italian/English
10:30 a.m. - Family
12:00 NOON Portuguese/English
3:00 p.m. - Spanish
7:00 p.m. - Youth

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Friday 2:30 p.m. Followed by Divine Mercy -3:00 p.m.

#### Reconciliation

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

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament 22 Middleton Line Wheatley, ON

Sunday - 10:30 a.m.

Today we are celebrating the fourth Sunday of Lent—the tone of the celebrations take on a more joyful note as we see the end of our preparation for EASTER just approaching. We all have an opportunity to renew our commitment to prepare ourselves for this great feast—the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord. To this end there are two events that will be taking place in the parish that I would like to draw your attention to......

- 1. ALL DAY CONFESSIONS—Next Wednesday March 9th—there will be all day confessions at St. Joseph's Church. This will start at 9:00am in the morning and will run until 9:00pm in the evening. During this time, there will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. A great time to seek reconciliation with God and one another.
- 2. The second event will be our **ANNUAL MISSION**. This year we have invited Fr. Michael Prieur from St. Peter's Seminary. He will be preaching at all Masses next weekend and beginning his 3 day Mission at the Sunday Evening Mass. I am sure that you will not only enjoy this opportunity to listen to this energetic preacher but also be able to use it as a spring board for the last part of our Lenten Journey.

Please remember in your prayers our catechumens who will go through their second scrutiny at the 10:30am Mass. They are an outward sign of the journey of faith that each of us must travel.

Also, please pray for our refugee family-we are still waiting for them to arrive. Those who would like to contribute to their well being can do so by placing your Lenten alms in a white envelope marked "Refugee Committee St. Michael's Parish" and place it in the collection basket. ...Fr. Clare

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#### Sacraments

Baptisms - Call office
First Reconciliation Preparation begins in January
First Holy Communion Preparation begins in March
Confirmation - Preparation
begins 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



# IMMIGRATION FACTS AND MYTHS:

WEEKLY INFORMATION TO HELP US WELCOME OUR REFUGEE FAMILY

## MYTH #3: IMMIGRANTS TAKE JOBS AWAY FROM CANADIANS.



**Fact:** Between 1993 and 2001, it was found that immigrants who had been in Canada for 10 years or less had a higher rate of overqualification than their Canada-born counterparts.

**Fact:** Although many immigrants come to Canada as highly skilled professionals, their qualifications may not be recognized as equivalent to the qualifications of Canadian-born workers trained in the same fields. Such immigrants do not have the opportunity to compete for jobs with Canadians who have the same levels of qualification.

Fact: New immigrants are three times more likely than Canadian-born workers to be found in low-skilled jobs. Between 1993 and 2001, it was found that immigrants who had been in Canada for ten years or less had a higher rate of over-qualification than their Canadian-born counterparts. This may mean that immigrants are more likely to take jobs that individuals born in Canada with their equivalent levels of qualification will not take.

**Fact:** The 2011 National Household Survey, showed immigrants in Windsor having a 12.8% unemployment rate, compared to 9.6% unemployment rate for "non-immigrants". Non-permanent residents in Windsor had an unemployment rate of 20.2%. For Leamington, the data in 2011 is as follows: 6.7% unemployment rate for non-immigrants, 6.3% unemployment rate for immigrants, 9.1% unemployment rate for immigrants arriving between 2006 and 2011. Non-permanent residents in Leamington in 2011 had an unemployment rate of 2.9%.

#### MORE INFORMATION NEXT WEEK

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

#### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

In today's Gospel we see a scene which is all too common in our world—people weeping over the death of a loved one. Jesus is at the heart of this sad scene, for it is his good friend Lazarus who is dead.

First Reading (Ezekiel 37:12-14) Second Reading (Romans 8: 8-11) Gospel (John 11: 1-45)

# Mass for the Intentions Week

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| St. Joseph's March 7-March 12                               |  |
| Mon.<br>8:00am  | Living and Deceased Members of the K of C<br>Mirilia Augusta<br>Nicola Salvati   |
| Tues<br>8:00am  | Manuel Mauricio DeMelo<br>Fernando and Rosalina DaPonte & Dec. Fam. Mem.<br>Phyllis and Roy Cole and Deceased Family Mem.                        |
| Wed.<br>8:00am<br>7:00pm                                    | NO MORNING MASS  Teresa Cappelli Mary Ann Whittle Edward Araujo and Barros Family  |
| Thurs<br>8:00am   | Paul Zeiter<br>Paul Taman and Jenny Elias<br>Hinid Zeiter  |
| Fri<br>8:00am   | Wilhelmina DeJong<br>Intentions of Denise Wellings<br>Giuseppe Maiuri  |
| Sat.<br>8:00am  | Berardo Pandeirada and Eduarda Sensenstein<br>Sharon Wilkinson<br>Manuel and Maria deDeus and Jose Andrade                                       |
| 1:00pm  | WEDDING: Alexander Mattie and Jessica Mouawad  |
| Sun Parlour Home March 10                                   |  |
| Thurs<br>9:30am   | Souls in Purgatory<br>Cisaltina Pimentel   |
| Franklin Nursing Home March 10                              |  |
| Thurs 2:15pm  | Aldina Carvalho<br>Mary Nohra  |
| Meadows Manor March 11                                      |  |
| Fri.<br>10:00am   | Jose Luis Pereira, Rosemary Andre and Dec. Fam Mem.<br>Antonio Resendes and Dec. Family Members<br>Maria Anna Medeiros & Antonio Raposo Resendes |
| This week the Leamington Ministerial Association prays for: |  |

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#### **ALL DAY CONFESSION**

On **Wednesday, March 9** the sacrament of penance (confession) will be celebrated throughout the entire day by every priest, in every parish in the diocese. In our parish the schedule for the Day of Confessions is as follows:

St. Joseph's Church 9:00am-9:00pm

#### LEAMINGTON PARISH MISSION

"Merciful Like the Father: Healing our Frazzled Stress" March 12-15, 2016

Saturday/Sunday Masses: "Pope Francis: Healing Hugs for Everyone"

Sunday Evening Mass: "Holding the Hands of our Beloved

Seniors"

Monday Evening: "Healing Reconciliation: The Key to Peace

of Heart"

Tuesday Evening: "Angels and Demons Today: Messengers of

Slavery or Freedom?"

MISSION PREACHER: Fr. Mickey Prieur

Fr. Mickey has been on the faculty of St. Peter's Seminary for over 50 years. He is full of God's "joie de vivre" and could just be God's healing medicine for what might be stressing you out these days. Come to hear him and bring a friend.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Every Friday during Lent there will be Adoration of the Eucharist from 2:30-7:00pm with Stations of the Cross to follow at 7:00pm.

#### **EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS**



As we draw closer to Easter and prepare for the death and resurrection of our Lord, we once again remember in a special way all those friends and family members 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 in an

envelope marked "Special Easter Memorial" in the collection basket before March 21st. An insert with the names will be added to the bulletin on Easter Weekend. A special intention will also be added to the liturgies for that weekend. Proceeds will go to offset the costs of Easter Decorations for the Church.



### Visit The Sick - CWL Sisters in Area Nursing Homes

We are hosting the Mennonite Home March Birthday Party, Tuesday March 8 @ 6:30 pm. You are welcome to join in the celebration.

Diocesan Convention Registration Deadline March 11- contact Peggy if you plan on attending.

Save the date: 65th. **Annual CWL BANQUET. Tuesday May 3rd. 2016** @ The Portuguese Club.

#### PHOTO DIRECTORIES!

**The St. Michael's Photo Directories** have arrived! If you had your picture taken for the Directory, your copy is available to be picked up at the office.



Please pray for those in our parish and families who recently passed away:

**Costantino (Gus) DiMenna** of our Parish and **Maurice St-Amand** 

# Veronica's Corner

#### TEEN BOWLING AND PIZZA NIGHT!



All teens in grades 8-12 are invited to join us on Sunday, March 13th at 4:00pm at Empire Lanes in Ruthven. The cost is \$15 per person for bowling. After bowling we will return to St. Joseph's Church for pizza and end our

evening with Mass at 7:00pm. Financial assistance is available upon request.

**SMYL—SURPRISE NIGHT:** All youth in grades 3-8 are invited to our next youth event on **Tuesday, March 8** from **6:30-8pm** at Ecole St. Michel. Come and be surprised!

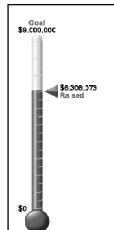


St. Michael's Parish is looking for young people ages 9-30 to be involved in our Good Friday service. Practices will be held at St. Joseph's Church on Thursday's, March 3, March 10, & March 17 from 6:30—7:30pm.

## St. Michael's Lenten Pilgrimage (Romaria) – Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 2:30p.m.

A *Romaria*, a Lenten pilgrimage with a strong Portuguese influence, can trace its roots back to the island of St. Michael in the Azores in the early 1500s. The yearly pilgrimage began as the result of a devastating earthquake on the island in 1522. The residents established the practice as a way of ensuring that such a catastrophe would not repeat itself. We will begin our *Romaria* at 2:30p.m. at St. Jopseh's, and then prayerfully process through town until we conclude the pilgrimage with the 7:00p.m. Mass at St. Joseph's Church.

Romeiros (pilgrims) don a shawl, representing when Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate, a scarf to represent the Crown of Thorns, and they hold a staff like the one given to Christ during His Passion. The participants walk together through the streets and roads singing holy songs and praying. The walk leads them to various holy sites where they request permission to enter and pray for a litany of special intentions given to them before the journey. For more information please contact José Correia at 519-326-1700. **All are welcome!** 



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We are looking for a few good men age 18 - 99 If interested contact Fr. Pat

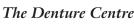
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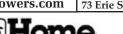
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