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† Mass Times & Schedule †

Monday ~ No Mass

Tuesday ~ 8 am (St. Gregory site)

Wednesday ~ 9:15 am (St. William Site) and
11am St. Clair Beach Retirement
13500 Riverside Dr. E., Tecumseh

Thursday ~ 7 pm (St. Gregory Site)

Friday ~ 8 am (St. Gregory Site)
& 10 am (La Chaumière Retirement Home),
1023 County Rd. 22, Puce

Saturday ~ 5 pm (St. Gregory Site)

Sunday

8 am; 10 am; 12 noon (St. Gregory Site)
9 am; 11 am (St. William Site)

Baptisms

Please contact Sue Bitacola (St. Gregory Site)

Reconciliation

Sat. 9 - 10 am (St. Gregory Site)
Sun. between the 9 & 11 am masses (St. William Site)

New Parish Office Hours

Thurs & Fri: 9 am - 12:00 noon (St. William Site)

Tue - Fri (**Closed Mondays**):

9 am - 4:00 pm* (St. Gregory Site)

(*Closed 12 noon - 1:00 pm for lunch)

First Sunday of Lent

February 22, 2015



Dear Friends:

It is hard to believe that the season of Lent. Is upon us. This liturgical season consists of forty days of fasting, prayer, and penitence.

Traditionally, Lent begins on [Ash Wednesday](#) and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. Since this is more than forty days, some contend that Sundays are not counted and that Holy Thursday, [Good Friday](#), and Holy Saturday are counted instead. Others say that it begins on the first Sunday after Ash Wednesday. No one is exactly sure how Ash Wednesday became the first day of Lent.

Many Catholics were taught as children to "give up something" for Lent. The sacrifices in Lent are really penance, in the same spirit as the Ninevites that repented at the preaching of Jonah. Throughout our history, Christians have found prayer, fasting, and almsgiving to be an important part of repentance and renewal. Many Catholics now add something during Lent rather than giving up something, either to address personal habits that need work or to add some outreach to others in need.

It is not necessary to "give up something" but it would be a tragedy to do nothing.

[Do Sundays count as a part of Lent?](#)

Sundays in Lent are not considered part of the forty (40) days of the Lenten season and therefore, one is not required to uphold one's Lenten penitence. For example, if you gave up eating desserts for Lent, you may have a piece of cake on a Sunday. The forty days of Lent are considered to be [Ash Wednesday](#) through Holy Saturday (up until the Easter Vigil in which it becomes the Easter Season) not including the six Sundays throughout.

[Why are Sundays not a part of Lent?](#)

Sundays, even during Lent, are a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ and are not part of the penitential season. We rejoice in the resurrection of the Lord on Sundays. If you feel that forsaking your Lenten sacrifices on Sundays is like cheating then you are encouraged to maintain your sacrifices. A person is certainly free to continue one's Lenten sacrifices on Sundays, but the Catholic Church does not require anyone to do this.

The observance of Lent is related to the celebration of Easter. In the first three centuries of the Christian era, most Christians prepared for Easter by fasting and praying for three days. In some places this was extended to the entire week before Easter (now known as "Holy Week"). There is evidence that in Rome, the length of preparation was three weeks.

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1203 Faith Dr., Emeryville, Ont. N0R 1C0

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF
Feb. 24, 2015 ~ March 3, 2015



Masses For The Week

Tuesday, February 24, 2015

St. Gregory Site Mass ~ 8:00 am

Barbara Sims.....Alan & Family
 Peggy Nagy Lou Mullins
 Special Intention of the Stark Family

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

St. William Site Mass ~ 9:30 am

Aurele Bellemore Annette Bellemore & Family
 Dr. Gerard Beuglet Ellen Dupuis
 Special Intentions A Parishioner
St.. Clair Beach Retirement Community ~ 11:00 am
 Teresa Tarantino Roy & Virginia Brothers
 Thanksgiving Romeo Cada
 Sp. Intentions for the Residents of St. Clair Beach
 Retirement Community

Thursday, February 26, 2015

St. Gregory Site Mass ~ 7:00 pm

Len Jennings..... Good Shepherd Parish St. Vincent de Paul
 Steve Reko..... The Family
 Frank Catanzaro..... Stefanie Slavik

Friday, February 27, 2015

St. Gregory Site Mass ~ 8:00 am

Jeanne Rosati.....Carol Emery
 Don McGaffey Emod & Maureen Greff
 Valerie LeBouef Mary Tricsli
La Chaumière Retirement Home ~ 10:00 am
 Lorette Sylvestre The Family
 Ray Girard..... Romeo Cada
 Sp. Intentions for the Residents of La Chaumiere

Saturday, February 28, 2015

Mass ~ 5:00 pm ~ St. Gregory Site

Special Intentions for All Parishioners
Confessions Sat. 9 am ~ 10 am (St. Gregory Site)

Sunday, March 1 2015

Second Sunday of Lent

Special Intentions for All Parishioners
Regular Mass Schedule 8:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 noon
(St. Gregory Site)
9:00 am & 11:00 am (St. William Site)
Confessions ~ Sunday between 9 &
11 am masses (St. William Site)

~ Readings for March 1, 2015 ~

Second Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18
2nd Reading: Romans 8:3-1b-35, 37++
Gospel: Mark 9:2-10



Prayers for vocations...

Feb. 23 ~ Thomas Dula, Campus Minister
 Feb. 24~ Rev. Edward Breton
 Feb. 25 ~ Rev. Joseph Quinn, C.S.B.
 Feb. 26 ~ Maria Mollica, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
 Feb. 27 ~ Rev. Joseph Lam Tran
 Feb. 28 ~ Deacon Steve Cartier
 Mar. 1 ~ **2nd Sunday of Lent** / Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.



In Memoriam



We pray for the repose of the soul of **Matt Richardson, Brother of John (Pauline) Richardson and Eileen Clifford**
May they rest in God's love and peace.

PASTORAL MINISTER/PASTORAL WORKER

Good Shepherd Parish/Tecumseh, Emeryville is seeking a full time Pastoral Minister/Worker. A comprehensive job description can be obtained by contacting the parish secretary, Anna Law at 519-735-9517, Ext. 21 or viewed online on our parish website at www.goodshepherd.dionet.ca.
Applications accepted until March 9, 2015



The World Day of Prayer

is a global ecumenical movement which brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer. This year the World Day of Prayer will take place at **Good Shepherd Parish, St. Gregory Site, on Friday, March 6th, 2015 at 1:30 PM** & will be followed by refreshments & fellowship in the church hall. This event is open to all members of the parish and this year is being prepared by the women of the Bahamas.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE – Sowing seeds of love through 15,200 projects and partnerships

We have to state, without mincing words, that there is an inseparable bond between our faith and the poor. May we never abandon them. – Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 48.

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ST. WILLIAM SITE ~ PRAYER CANDLES



When you have a special intention in your life to pray for, please light a candle in the church at the St. William Site ~ only \$4.00 for the week.

The word derives from the Middle English word *Lenten*, meaning springtime – the time of lengthening days. There is biblical support for doing penance, but the season of Lent, like all Catholic liturgical seasons, developed over time. In its early three-week form, Lent was the period of intense spiritual and liturgical preparation for catechumens before they were baptized at Easter. Many members of the community imitated this time of preparation with the catechumens.



By the fourth century (when Christianity was legalized), Lent had developed into its current length of forty days, the length of the fast and temptation of Jesus in the desert (cf. Luke 4:1-13).

As we begin this Holy Season of Lent, let us bear the mark of the Ashes that we received...turn away of sin and believe in the Gospel or ...remember that we you are dust and to dust we shall return. The words remind us of the importance of these days. These are special days for us to draw closer to our God. And so let us keep these words in mind ...that it is not necessary to "give up something" but it would be a tragedy to do nothing.

Father Gary

MEETINGS for the Good Shepherd Parish

Tues. Feb. 24	5:30 pm	- Soup (St. William Site)
	6:30 pm	- Stations of the Cross -St. William Site
	7:00 pm	- Bible Study (St. William Site)
	7:00 pm	- K of C (Parish Hall)
	7:00 pm	- St. Vincent de Paul (Meeting Rm)
Wed. Feb. 25	9:30 am	- Faith Sharing (Marian Rm)
	1:00 pm	- Bible Study (St. Gregory Site)
	6:30 pm	- Youth Group (Parish Hall)
	7:00 pm	- Donna's Choir
		- Adoration (St. Vincent de Paul Rm) (7 pm Wed. —7 pm Thurs.)

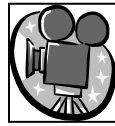
****Please note: Above meetings are held at the St. Gregory Site unless otherwise specified.**

SOUP & STATIONS



Are you looking for an opportunity to truly participate in the spirit of Lent by giving to those less fortunate, disciplining yourself to eat a modest meal & spending some time in prayer & reflection? Please plan to join fellow parishioners on **Tuesday evenings at the St. William Site starting February 24th through March 31st** for a meal of soup, bread, coffee & tea at 5:30 p.m. Stations of the Cross in the church will follow at 6:30 p.m. In return, you'll have an opportunity to help others by making a free will monetary donation to support our local charities in need.

**Wedding Anniversary Mass ~ Sun., May 3, 2015
2:30 pm with Bishop Fabbro at St. Peter's Cathedral
Basilica, London, Ont.**



Be a "Shining Star" for God in our Good Friday Living Stations of the Cross!



NO acting experience necessary,
NO lines to memorize!

Who?: Inviting Teens and Young Adults to be actors, actresses, narrators, Lighting, Props, Sound or Technical Assistants, costume or Makeup assistants.

What?: Good Shepherd Parish's powerful Good Friday presentation of the "Living Stations of the Cross" – depicting scenes from the sorrowful journey of our Lord Jesus to his cross on Calvary for our salvation.

Where and When?: So... **Interested?** Want to find out more? Don't delay! Rehearsals start soon. Sign up today! Contact Mrs. Marg. Hewer at the Good Shepherd Parish Youth Office, 735-9517 ext. 22 or email at mhewer@dol.ca



2014 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

All remaining 2014 income tax receipts that were not picked up **have now been mailed.** Your new box of 2015 envelopes can also be picked up if you have not done so already.

CARTS OF COMPASSION

The Outreach for Justice committee would like to thank the Good Shepherd parish community for your overwhelming support of this year's homelessness project, *Carts of Compassion*. On Family Day, we delivered 3 truckloads of goods - clothes, food, kitchen items, toiletries, gift cards and bus passes to Street Help and Windsor Youth Centre. Both organizations expressed their sincere gratitude for your generosity. These donations will help them continue to do their good work in our community. **THANK YOU!**



Mass for the Deceased ~ Tues., March 3rd
@ 4:30 pm Presider ~ Fr. Thom Blondin
Resurrection Mausoleum at Heavenly Rest Cemetery

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From now through March 29, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil for an hour in the public right-of-way (sidewalk along Tecumseh Road East, in front of the main parking lot) outside Windsor Regional Hospital Metropolitan Campus, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. Email: 40daysforlifewindsor@gmail.com
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