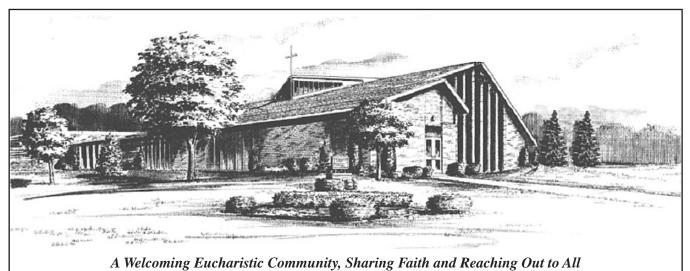
# St. Michael's Parish

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## PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY SUNDAY OFFERTORY GIFT (PAG)

Contact Jolanda Squire at ext. 208

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON Cherylann Grace

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON Gerarda Smith-Hillier

#### SCHEDULE OF EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.

St. Josephine Bakhita (African Caribbean Catholic

Community) Mass - 4th Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday No mass Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 noon Wednesday & Friday 8:00 a.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m.

#### PARISH SCHOOLS

 St. Kateri School
 519-675-4410

 St. Mark's School
 519-675-4421

 St. Michael's School
 519-675-4424

 St. Catherine of Siena School
 519-675-4437

 Mother Teresa Secondary School
 519-675-4433

#### MINISTRIES TO CHILDREN - 10:30 a.m. Mass

Liturgy of the Word – age 4-9
Babysitting – Toddlers under age 3

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### **SACRAMENTS**

Baptism – 1st Sunday of each month at 2:00pm or any Sunday Mass Baptismal Preparation – Contact Fr. Pio D'Oria

Marriage – Arrangements to be made at least six months in advance Marriage Preparation – Apr 17-19, 2020

*Priesthood/Religious Life* – Fr. Murray Sample, Fr. Pio D'Oria

 $Sacrament\ of\ the\ Sick$  – available upon request

First Reconciliation (Gr. 2) - registration required in September First Communion (Gr. 2) - registration required in September Confirmation (Gr. 8) - registration required in September

Hearing assistance device to hear mass available.

**COMMUNION TO THE SICK:** Contact the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE (CWL): President – Margaret McGee

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Grand Knight - Keith Rodrigues

**PRAYER LINE:** Prayer requests are received at stmichlon@dol.ca or phone 519-433-6689

Exposition 1st Friday of every month & Benediction at 3:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet each Friday at 3:00 p.m.

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - Noon & 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

### Free Bus Service to 10:30 a.m. Mass

9:35am	64 Wyndham
	Blackwater east of Adelaide – Bus Stop
	Grenfell just east of Blackwater
	Fanshawe/Trossacks – Bus Stop on Corner
	770 Fanshawe – east of Fremont (Bus Stop)
	Fanshawe – west of Fremont
	Adelaide/Fanshawe – Bus Stop south of Fanshawe
	Kipps Lane/Adelaide – Bus Shelter just east of Adelaide
	Kipps Lane/Barker
	Kipps Lane – Bus Stop east of Barker
	Kipps Lane/Kenmore Place – Bus Stop
	295 Briarhill
	Cheapside/Boullee
	Huron/Wedgewood – Bus Stop east of Wedgewood
10:15am	J 1 1
	Go to St. Michaels Church

## DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday, December 18th from 8:30-7:00 pm Friday December 20<sup>th</sup> 10:00-11:00 am 3:00-4:00 pm & 7:00-8:00 pm

#### **Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass**

December 21<sup>st</sup> 5pm & December 22<sup>nd</sup> 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 12:30 am

#### **Christmas Celebrations**

Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th 4:30 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12:00 midnight

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am & 12:30 pm

#### Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Tuesday, December 31st, 2019 - 5:00 pm Wednesday, January 1st, 2020 - 8:30 am & 10:30 am

#### 3rd Week of Advent

Where does the time go?! How has this Advent Season been for you? Have you been able to carve out some intention time to enjoy this season of expectation, anticipation and prepara-

tion? As we celebrate the 3rd Sunday of Advent, the rose candle reminds us we are a people who wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

#### We Celebrate - Sacramental Preparation

This week St. Michael's Parish had over 120 young people celebrate their First Reconciliation. Thank you to parents, teachers and catechists for preparing the children well to meet Christ in sacrament. It is our hope and prayer the children will continue to grow in their love and relationship with God the Father. There will be a parent session on Wed Jan 29th at 7:00 pm. Please be sure at least one parent will be present to plan for your child's First Communion.

#### **Remembering Tree**

As a way to remember those who have died, the Decorating Committee is inviting you to make a donation in memory of your loved one. An ornament with their name will be made. At the end of the New Pllenty Giving - We have added another form of electronic

Christmas Season we invite you to take it home with you. The donations will help with the purchase of the flowers and the environment for the Christmas Season. Donations can be made through the Remembrance Tree Ornament envelope located at the welcome desk after all masses on the weekend or in the parish office during the week.

#### SPECIAL CONSIDERATION...

At Christmas time we are happy and grateful that so many people come to celebrate with us. Please try to be considerate in the following matters.

- Parking at the 4:30 pm mass...In our continued efforts to streamline the parking during Christmas Eve Masses, the Maitland entrance to the parking lot will be CLOSED to cars entering. ALL CARS are to enter off of Cheapside Street down the lane between the Church and Rectory to the lot. This should make the overlap of guests smoother. Once again the Knights of Columbus will be onsite assisting with the parking. Please try to park carefully so we can get as many cars in the lot as possible, and be patient. Plenty of parking is available in the neighbourhood, be careful to avoid blocking the driveways of our neighbours.
- At the 4:30 pm Mass the overflow crowd has, in the past, spilled over into the foyer, sometimes extending beyond the first washroom and there has been no room to maneuver in the church. We have been very fortunate that an emergency situation has not occurred. Once the church is full, people will be directed to the parish hall where mass will be celebrated. This will not only relieve congestion in the foyer but also in the church and provide a much safer environment should an emergency occur. When we get to an overflow situation, please follow the direction of the ushers.
- Something most of us can do, not only at Christmas but at other busy Masses throughout the year, is to move toward the center of the pew, allowing others to be seated more readily.

#### **Youth Ministry**

Syl Patry spatry@dol.ca or 519-433-6689 ext. 206



### Lifeteen Encounter Worship 12:30 pm Mass

Please join us for a more contemporary sound as The Encounter Worship band leads us into worship and a Eucharistic Mass at every 12:30 pm Mass.

**LIFETEEN Youth** - Stay tuned Big News for 2020!



#### Teen Life - For Students in Gr. 5-7 - EDGE

Join us for great student gatherings with a lot of faith, food and fun for all Gr. 5-8 students. Register on line for free. Next EDGE night Wed Dec 18<sup>th</sup>.

All families are invited to join our EDGE youth group on Wed Dec 18th from 7pm-8:30 pm for our Christmas caroling tradition. Hot baked goods and hot refreshments will be served. Please follow us on our social media for more info or email us!



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## CHOSEN Confirmation 2019-2020 CHOSEN Gatherings Next gathering will be Sun Dec 15<sup>th</sup> from 11 am

to 12:30 pm with an invitation to the 12:30 pm mass. CHOSEN Confirmation gathering dates are Jan 26<sup>th</sup>, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>, Mar 29<sup>th</sup>, Apr 26<sup>th</sup> & May 3<sup>rd</sup>.



#### S.S.V.P. Angel Tree 2019

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul thank you for your generosity. Your gifts were appreciated. Wishing all a blessed Christmas!

#### St. Michael's Four-Part Harmony Choir Christmas Concert

Sunday Dec 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm. Enjoy beautiful carols to help celebrate the advent and Christmas season



giving. Your smart phone can now be used as a convenient way of supporting St. Michael's. You can scan or tap our QR code found around the parish to donate with a credit or debit card. Please note THIS DOES NOT change any other method of how you give to St. Michael's. However you currently donate, you can continue.

#### **Christmas Eve Parking**

Our Knights of Columbus are dedicating their holiday time to volunteer in parking direction for the 4:30 pm Masses on Christmas Eve. Please be patient, respectful and take their direction. They are here to assist and are doing so completely out of service to our church. Thank you.



#### SAVE THE DATE - Saturday, January 25, 2020

St. Michael's Parish is hosting a day of formation and nourishment of spirit with Mrs. Catherine Ecker, author, catechist from the Archdiocese of Toronto. Catherine will present on, 'Celebrating Sunday'. This is a great op-

portunity for all involved in ministry and those who like to experience day to deepen your understanding of the gifts each Sunday holds for all of us. All are welcome! More information to follow.

#### 2020 Parish Offertory Envelopes

The 2020 envelopes are available for pick up. Parishioners who use envelopes are asked to pick up the box assigned to them. They will be set out alphabetically. If you used your 2019 envelopes you will have the same envelope number for 2020. If you are unable to locate a box assigned to you and would like offertory envelopes please add your name, address and phone number to the sign up list. Parishioners who use the pre-authorized gift (PAG) process do not have envelope numbers assigned to them. (Please note boxes not picked in Dec will not be mailed out. They will be available for pick up from the parish office during regular office hours in 2020).

## DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### Mass Intentions

#### Tuesday, December 17 - 12:00 noon

Mr. & Mrs. H. Murray & Mr. & Mrs. Peter B. Feeney requested by Peter M. Feeney Frank Cassar requested by Josephine Cassar & Family Intentions of Catherine & Joseph

## Wednesday, December 18 - 8:00 am All Day Confessions

Intentions of Anna Paul requested by Nick & Candace Pat Egan requested by Mary & Mike Roger Hall requested by Doug & Alenka Manners

#### Thursday, December 19 - 12:00 noon

Solvono Rijavec requested by Marcella Rijavec Rebecca Rijavec requested by Marcella Rijavec Lawrence Hamilton requested by Gisele Hamilton & Family

#### Friday, December 20 - 8:00 am

Steve Morgan requested by Marilyn Morgan Steve Dittrich requested by Tom, Marg & Brian Rooke Deceased Members of the Vander Vloet & Meeuwssen Families requested by The Estate of Frank Vander Vloet

#### Saturday, December 21 - 9:00 am

Margaret Sgariglia requested by Grant Sgariglia Lloyd & Mary Wilson requested by Pete & Judy Sandford Isabel & Frank MacDonald requested by Pete & Judy Sandford

#### December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 Fourth Sunday of Advent



First Reading: Isaiah 7:10-14 Second Reading: Romans 1:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24 http://www.usccb.org/bible/

All those who are sick, including:

Joseph Gooding Càla Hendrichson **Greg Giesen Gregory Seger** 

Lucas Ferreira

And all those who have died, including:

**Tony Augustine** 

#### Memorial Masses at St. Peter's Cemetery

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tues each month, Rosary at 4:00 pm, Mass at 4:30 pm Everyone is welcome to come to pray for their loved ones.

#### Christmas Candle Service at St. Peter's Cemetery

Everyone is welcome to attend our Christmas Candle Service to be celebrated in the Chapel of the Holy Family Mausoleum on *Mon Dec 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm* - Celebrant Fr. John Jasica Candles will be provided for the lighting ceremony. (Seating available)

<u>Ministering to the Sick & Homebound</u> - If you have a friend or family member who would appreciate receiving Eucharist and a pastoral visit, please contact the parish office, 519-433-6689.

Retrouvaille - If your marriage has lost the sense of closeness it once had, if you are living more like roommates, Retrouvaille can help you recapture that closeness. To learn more about Retrouvaille, or to register for the up-coming weekend <a href="mailto:Jan 17-19">Jan 17-19</a>, <a href="mailto:2020">2020</a> at the Michaelite Centre, email <a href="mailto:retrouvaillelondonstthomas@gmail.com">retrouvaillelondonstthomas@gmail.com</a>. Visit us on the web at <a href="mailto:www.helpourmarriage.com">www.helpourmarriage.com</a>.

<u>Tax Receipts</u> - In order for contributions to be legally receipted for 2019 they <u>MUST</u> be received by the <u>Parish Office by December 31<sup>st</sup> 2019</u>. - Note donations collected at the New Year's Eve Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 5pm and New Year's Day Jan 1<sup>st</sup> masses will be receipted for 2020.

<u>Lending Library</u> – Books are packed with insight and knowledge into a fulfilling life, prayer and helpful inspiration. Please feel free to check them out for as long as you like.



#### Sunday Collection Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 2019

Regular Offertory \$5,564
Pre-Authorized Gift \$3,851
Thank you for your continued generosity!

Some of our Parishioners have allergies and are sensitive to perfume. We invite people to refrain from using perfume and cologne.



#### The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

collection for the needy within our parish boundaries is the 2nd Sunday of each month. Thank you for your support.

(Make cheques payable to St. Michael's Parish and write SSVP on the memo line.)

#### This Week at St. Michael's

#### Monday, December 16

• 5:30 pm—Northern Hospitality Meal New St. James—Hall Tuesday, December 17

- 9:30 am—St. Michael's School Mass—Nave
- 7:00 pm—SSVP Meeting—St. Anthony Room
- 7:00 pm—Baptismal Preparation—St. John Paul II Room
- 7:00 pm—Knights of Columbus Executive—St. Francis Library

#### Wednesday, December 18

- 8:30 am to 7:00 pm —All Day Confessions—Nave
- 7:00 pm—EDGE—Hall
- 7:00 pm—RCIA—St. John Paul II Room
- 7:00 pm—AA—St. Andre Bessette & St. Kateri Rooms

#### Thursday, December 19

- 10:30 am—McGarrell Place Mass—McGarrell Place
- 1:00 pm—Young at Heart Bridge (YAH)—Hall
- 3:30 pm—Finance Committee—St. Francis Library
- 7:30 pm—Pastoral Parish Council—St. John Paul II Room
- No Bible Study Next Session Jan 9<sup>th</sup>

#### Friday, December 20

- 10-11am, 3-4pm & 7-8pm—Confessions—Nave
- 9:00 am to 11:00 am—Art Club—St. Francis Library
- 10:30 am—Chartwell Mass—Chartwell Long Term Care
- 3:00 pm—Chaplet of the Divine Mercy—Nave

#### Sunday, December 22

2:30 pm—African Caribbean Catholic Mass—Nave

#### Please Mark Your Calendars

No Northern Hospitality on Mon Dec 23 - next Meal Dec 30/19
Parish Office will be Closed - Dec 24, 25 & 26
No Young At Heart Bridge on Dec 26 & Jan 2
Exposition & Benediction - Fri Jan 3, 2020
Mom's Group resumes Tues Jan 14, 2020

Employment Opportunity - St. Michael's is recruiting for the position of parish secretary. The parish secretary is responsible for greeting and providing direction in a professional manner and is responsible for a wide variety of office/clerical and administrative functions within the parish. Start date is February 17, 2020. Full time with salary and benefits per the Diocesan guidelines. For a detailed job description and qualifications, contact Doug Manners – Business Administrator at 519-433-6689 ext. 205 or dmanners@dol.ca

Applications will be accepted until December 20, 2019. Interested persons should submit a cover letter, resume along with a minimum of two references to: St. Michael's Parish, Hiring Committee 511 Cheapside St. London, ON N5Y 3X5 Or email to: <a href="mailto:dmanners@dol.ca">dmanners@dol.ca</a>

Mass for the Unborn - Dec 27<sup>th</sup> - St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica, beginning with the Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 7:00 pm and followed by Mass at 7:30 pm. Bishop Joseph Dabrowski will preside. This special celebration is sponsored by the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus. Everyone is welcome to attend.

#### 8th Annual Men of Faith Conference - Sat Jan 18/20

"2020 Vision - Courage & Fortitude To Do His Will"

Register on line www.famfi.ca or by phone Mike 519-518-2025 ext. 22

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