

# St. Michael's Parish

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

Contact Jolanda Squire at ext. 208

**PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON** Wayne Wolanski

## 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* - Grades 2, 3 and 4  
*Sunday School* - Age 3 to Grade 1  
*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 during Mass or at 2:00 p.m.  
*Baptismal Preparation* - Contact Fr. Glen Ball  
*Marriage* - Arrangements to be made at least six months in advance  
*Marriage Preparation* - Feb. 23rd, 24th, and 25th, 2018  
*Priesthood/Religious Life* - Fr. Glen Ball  
*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 - Bob Gauthier


**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.

## 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

<b>9:35am</b>	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	
<b>10:15am</b>	Royal York Apts - 3 stops Go to St. Michaels Church	

**Items for Bulletin due by noon Monday.**

# DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## Baptism



We welcome the following children into our Parish Community through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Catherine Ugali Baclayon, Michaela Marion Mara, Liliana Veronika Martyniak, Kali-Anne Christine Proulx, Joey Noah Strano & Liv Deborah Ann Wheeler.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>  
10:00-11:00 am, 3:00-4:00 pm & 7:00-8:00 pm

### Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass

December 23<sup>rd</sup> 5pm & Sun December 24<sup>th</sup> 8:30 am & 10:30 am

### Christmas Celebrations

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>  
4:30 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12:00 midnight

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



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

Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 - 5:00 pm  
Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017 - 10:30 am & 12:30 pm

### Christmas Liturgy Sign Up Board

Please check the sign up sheets in the Narthex for the various liturgical positions available during our Christmas celebrations. We need Greeters, Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Gift Bearers. Please consider helping to make our Christmas Liturgies truly meaningful and beautiful. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact Yana Adkinson.

### 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.

1. Parking...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 on-site 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.

**Capital Corner** – We are in the home stretch! The ladies wash-room is now being renovated. As a reminder, the Men's washroom is now the Women's washroom and the family washroom is still for the Men. We anticipate that in the next two weeks, all three will be completed. Thank you for your tremendous patience, respect for one another and for your financial support to this needed project! May God continue to bless you in this Christmas Season!

### Youth Ministry

#### Public & Non-feeder schools Confirmation Candidates

Reminder our next few Confirmation sessions will be on December 17<sup>th</sup> & January 28<sup>th</sup> from 11am-12:30pm in the Parish Hall.



#### Next EDGE Night - Wed Dec 20<sup>th</sup> Christmas Caroling & Party!

All families are invited to join the youth group to our annual Christmas Caroling around the block! We gather in the hall for 7pm! Bundle up as we go out for about ½ hr to 45mins sharing our Joy to our neighbours. Then we head back to church for hot treats! All are welcome!

EDGE Youth t-shirts will soon be available for purchase for \$10. You can pre-order by email with Syl – [spatry@dol.ca](mailto:spatry@dol.ca) with your name, contact and youth size.

Calling all students, families and volunteers! We have a TON of events planned for elementary, high school and families to be a part of. Be a part of EDGE youth group for Gr. 5-7 students, Life teen for Gr. 8-12 high school students. Family members of ANY age can help change a young person's life in so many ways; contact Syl Patry in the parish office or at [spatry@dol.ca](mailto:spatry@dol.ca) for more info.

**LIFETEEN High School Youth Group 2018!!!** We are finalizing some details to share some great news of St Michael's NEW High school ministry! Please continue to pray for our Team, this ministry and most importantly God's will to be done. We would love to have teachers, principals and other professionals join our ministry team!!! Contact Syl in the parish Office @ [spatry@dol.ca](mailto:spatry@dol.ca)

#### Stations of the Cross for Youth - Good Friday 2018

Grade 8 and High School Students are invited to be part of the Stations Of The Cross as actors and crew members.

Practices will be on Mondays from 7-9pm on Jan 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>; Feb 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>; Mar 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>. Holy Thursday Mar 29<sup>th</sup> from 7:30-10pm and Good Friday Mar 30<sup>th</sup> at 8am.

Also looking for a few leaders with drama and theatre experience. For more information please contact our Coordinator of Youth Ministry Syl Patry at [spatry@dol.ca](mailto:spatry@dol.ca) or 519-433-6689 ext. 206.

**Thanksgiving Appeal** – the annual Thanksgiving Appeal traditionally ends at the end of November. To update the parish on this year's results, to date we have received a total of \$21,387. Our goal in the budget was \$49,500. This difference will present a challenge to our bottom line this year. We encourage anyone who has not yet supported the Thanksgiving Appeal to please consider doing so. It is the most important appeal of the year because 100% of the donation stays right here at St. Michael's and is not part of the yearly assessment. Thank you.



### 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 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.

### 2018 Parish Offertory Envelopes

The 2018 envelopes are available for pick up in the Parish Foyer. Parishioners who use envelopes are asked to pick up the box assigned to them. If you do not see your boxed envelopes and would like a set, please add your name 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.

**Information Boards - Please refer to these displays for all ongoing and upcoming information here at St. Michael's!**

# DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## Mass Intentions

**Tuesday, December 19 - 12:00 noon**

Rachel Denys requested by Johan Denys  
Charles Szturm requested by Ron & Mary Hall  
Diane Van Kleek requested by Ron & Mary Hall



**Wednesday, December 20 - 8:00 am**

Cecilia Ryan requested by Don & Brenda Ryan  
Wilfred Denys requested by Johan Denys  
Mary Hoffe requested by Jim & Rita Thorne

**Thursday, December 21 - 12:00 noon**

Margaret Sgariglia requested by Grant Sgariglia  
Diane Belanger requested by Claire & Dan Vickery  
Frank Cassar requested by Josephine Cassar

**Friday, December 22 - 8:00 am**

Mary & Lloyd Wilson requested by Pete & Judy Sandford  
Sofia Paiva requested by The Paiva Family  
Gabriel Paiva Sr. requested by The Paiva Family

**Saturday, December 23 - No 9:00 am Mass**

**Sunday, December 24 - Christmas Eve**  
4:30 pm, 7:00 pm, 9:00 pm & 12:00 Midnight

**Monday, December 25 - Christmas Day**  
10:30 am & 12:30 pm

**December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Fourth Sunday of Advent**

**First Reading:** 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

**Second Reading:** Romans 16:25-27

**Gospel:** Luke 1:26-38

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/>



All those who are sick, including:

Jane Tyers	John Hunt	Greg Giesen
Paula Lenardon	Nick Greeson	Grace Wren
Cherylann Robinson	Cathy Meyers	Betty Ann Knowler
Jennifer Ackford		



And all those who have died, including:

**David Flinn** husband of Elizabeth Flinn  
**Robert Thomson** brother of David Thomson  
**Sharon Swift** mother of Tara Gurski

## 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.



**CWL News** - Our Festive Fall Bake sale was a great success. Thank you to our CWL members and the parish community for supporting this event. Funds raised will be used to help the many groups and organizations that count on the Catholic Women's League for their needs. St. Michael's CWL financial statement is available upon request. If interested please call Maggie McGee at 519-951-1827. Reminder that there is no January meeting! Next meeting will be February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**Housing Request** the office is currently assisting a parish family in their search for rental housing. If you have any information about, own a rental property or connection to a source, will you please contact Fr. Murray in confidence. Thank you for your kindness.

**The FIAT Team at St. Kateri** is excited to begin its journey with St. Michael's parish! A group of faith-filled students in blue t-shirts will be leading the congregation for one mass each month. What is FIAT you ask? FIAT stands for: Faith In Action Team. These grade 3-8 students are passionate about social justice and finding ways to help out their community. The masses we are leading are as follows: [Dec 16 @ 5pm](#), [Jan 14 @ 12:30pm](#), [Feb 25 @ 10:30 am](#), [Mar 24 @ 5pm](#), [Apr 29 @ 12:30pm](#), [May 27 @ 10:30 am](#) and [Jun 23 @ 5pm](#).  
We are looking forward to growing in our relationship with God and His Church.



## Sunday Collection December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017

Regular Offertory \$7,517  
Pre-Authorized Gift \$3,689  
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 18

- 5:30 pm—Northern Hospitality Community Meal—Hall
- 5:30 pm—RCIC—St. Anthony & St. John Paul II Rooms
- 6:00 pm—English Learners Class—St. Kateri Room

### Tuesday, December 19

- 7:00 pm—Baptismal Preparation—St. John Paul II Room
- 7:00 pm—SVDP Meeting—St. Anthony Room
- 7:00 pm—Knights of Columbus Executive—Hall

### Wednesday, December 20

- 6:30—RCIA—St. John Paul II Room
- 7:00 pm—EDGE Caroling & Party—Hall
- 8:00 pm—AA—St. Andre Bessette & St. Kateri Rooms

### Thursday, December 21

- 1:00 pm—Young At Heart Cards (YAH) - Hall

### Friday, December 22

- Parish Office will close at 12:00 noon

## Please Mark Your Calendars

No cards on Dec 28/17  
Art Club - resumes - Jan 3 - 10:00 am to 12:00 noon  
Exposition - Jan 5 - 8:30 am to 3:00 pm  
Benediction - Jan 5 - 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm  
Rosary Guild - Jan 10 - 7:00 pm  
You Are Not Alone (YANA) - Jan 10 - 7:00 pm



Please note No Children's Ministries on Dec 24<sup>th</sup>, Dec 25<sup>th</sup>, Dec 31<sup>st</sup> or Jan 1<sup>st</sup>

**Bus Schedule over Christmas** – Please note that the free bus will be running on the regular schedule for both Sun Dec 24 (Christmas Eve) and Sun Dec 31 (New Years Eve). Please use this service and join us! Thank you.

**Pre-Authorized Giving** – Why not make 2018 the year you move to Pre-Authorized giving? Your contribution is taken safely and simply the first day of each month and a great way to ensure your gift is received each and every week. Enrollment kits are available at the welcome desk or from the office. Thank you for considering the switch!

**Tax Receipts** - In order for contributions to be legally receipted for 2017 they **MUST** be received by the Parish Office by December 31<sup>st</sup> 2017. (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 2018).

## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Men of Faith Conference - Sat Jan 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018

All men and young men are invited to this conference. It will be held at St Michael's Church in London. Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers", known around the world as the "Dynamic Deacon" is one of the most sought after speakers in the Church today. Come join us for the fellowship and opportunity to grow in your faith. Hot lunch, refreshments and registration kit are included; \$30 adults, \$25 students or \$45 at the door. Sign up on line at [www.famfi.ca](http://www.famfi.ca) or call 519-518-2025 ext. 22 (Mike) Registration starts at 8:00 am.

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