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Christmas



the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for see-I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people.

Luke 2:10

DECEMBER 25TH, 2016 NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Parish Website – The new parish Website is now live! We encourage you to visit www.stmichaelslondon.ca and provide your feedback. Thank you.



Feast of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Saturday, December 31st, 2016 - 5:00 pm
Sunday, January 1st, 2016 - 8:30 am, 10:30 am & 12:30 pm

**On behalf of Father Murray, Father Don
and the entire parish staff**



**We Wish You A Very Healthy, Happy and Blessed Christmas!
Thank you for such a wonderful year.
We look forward to more great things in 2017.**

Mass for the Unborn on Wed, Dec 28, 2016

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica-Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy 7:00 pm Mass at 7:30 pm. Presider Bishop Joseph Dabrowski.
This special celebration is sponsored by the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

Women of Grace Study

This program study will be held on the 2nd & 4th Tues from 7-9 pm in the JPll room. Information meeting Tues Jan 10th.
For information or to register, call Veronica Solis at 519-488-6265 or e-mail at versolis@hotmail.com. Registration required. Materials can be purchased or borrowed for the duration of the Study.
All are welcome! Limited space, register soon!

Tax Receipts - In order for contributions to be legally receipted for 2016 they **MUST** be received by the **Parish Office by December 31st 2016.** (Note donations collected at the New Year's Eve Dec 31st 5pm and New Year's Day Jan 1st masses will be receipted for 2017).

Calling All Mothers! Please feel welcome to join our St Michael's group for Moms to share and learn about our Catholic faith together, while relaxing and enjoying time with other moms over snacks and coffee. We have free babysitting for children offered by our dedicated and loving volunteers from the parish.

We meet twice monthly on **Tues mornings from 10am to 12noon** upcoming date **Jan 10, Jan 24, Feb 14, Feb 28, Mar 14, Mar 28, Apr 11, Apr 25, May 16, May 30 and Jun 13.** For more information please contact Pastoral Minister Yana Adkinson at 519-433-6689 ext. 203 or yadkinson@dol.ca

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

Become an Usher! – We thank those who attended the Ushers meeting. We still need more individuals for this very important Ministry of help and hospitality. Please consider offering that little bit extra – your time. Additional ushers are needed for most Masses. No experience necessary, training happily provided. This invitation is open to everyone. The role of usher is an important part in the care of the public and seamless flow of the Mass. Please speak with Father Don for more information.

Capital Corner – In prayer and thanksgiving for a completion to the HVAC work. We could not have accomplished such a large and significant task without the incredible patience and financial support from our Parish. God bless you all! We can now place any concerns with the function and safety of our system behind us. If you did wish to help reduce your taxes in 2016, donations to the Give to Grow Capital Fund can still be made up until December 31 to receive a tax receipt this year. Merry Christmas to all!

EDGE NIGHTS Youth Group

Grades 5 to 8 and H.S. Students are welcomed. From 7pm – 8:30pm
EDGE dates for 2017: Wed Jan 18th, Wed Feb 1st, Wed Feb 15th, Wed Mar 1st, Wed Mar 22nd, Wed April 5th, Wed Apr 19th, Wed May 3rd, Wed May 17th, Wed Jun 7th & Wed Jun 21st Summer Bash Party!

Keep Checking out all our EDGE night dates on the following links...

Join us for all contests! on Twitter at **SYL@STM** or on Instagram

STM_SYL We're on Facebook at **STM EDGE**

*Confirmation Candidates - if you would like to volunteer for EDGE, please email Syl for scheduling. spatry@dol.ca

Confirmation Super Saturdays starts in Jan 2017!!!

Sat Jan 28th St Mark group 1-5pm part 1
Sun Jan 29th St Catherine of Siena group 1-5pm part 1

Youth Choir

We are looking for youth who would like to learn how to sing or can sing, can play an instrument...Please contact Holly Langohr at holly.langohr@gmail.com

The Christmas edition of the parish newsletter is now available in the Church! Remember to take home your copy for holiday reading. Take a few copies and share with family, neighbours and friends when you go to Christmas parties or dinners. A wonderful way to share and evangelize!

24/7 Online Web-based Digital Catholic Resource: FORMED

Our Parish has invested in an exciting new spiritual faith formation resource, produced by the Augustine Institute and Ignatius Press. Discover all the best Catholic content in one place. Entertaining movies, enlightening programs, inspiring talks, and a great selection of popular eBooks— all just a click away! Better yet, **access is FREE to all parishioners and their families anywhere, anytime on computers, tablets, or phones.** For information, contact Yana Adkinson, yadkinson@dol.ca

1. Go to formed.org
2. Click on Register
3. Enter your Parish Code 2ZK478
4. Create your FREE account by entering your email address

Pre-Authorized Giving – We have had additional enrollment in the PAG program and always welcome more! Thank you to those parishioners who have taken this step to simplify! You can sign up anytime during the year. Being a part of PAG helps household budgeting and also assists the office staff. You can now enjoy vacations and know that your support of St. Michael's continues! Your contribution is taken the first day of each month. It really is the modern way of making your gift to the parish.

You Are Not Alone - Are you giving support to a person struggling to manage a mental illness? Come share your wisdom and resources, lighten your worries and deepen your faith. We will be meeting at 7:00 pm the second Wed of the month. All are welcome. If you would like to chat first to see if Y.A.N.A. is the support you are looking for, please call Cathie at 519-850-0600.

New Day - A faith-based support group for people living with a mental illness. Come - receive and share in the compassion and strength of this welcoming group. We meet every Tues. afternoon 1:30 – 3:00 at Parish Office building of St. Peter's Basilica. For more info call Cathie at 519-850-0600 or Theresa at 519-850-3627.

The Altar Servers for Funeral Ministry

The Altar Servers for Funerals Ministry can still use one or two new volunteers. No experience required, training provided. Only 2 hours when needed. A selfless way to offer one of the corporal works of mercy. Ideal for any retired parishioners looking for a rewarding way to give of their time in faith and charity. Please contact the office.

Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus - March 16-28, 2017

If interested in visiting the Holy Land
please contact Joan Bolt at 519-471-6373.
As St. John Paul II wrote "come and read the 5th Gospel".

DECEMBER 25TH, 2016 NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 26 - No Mass
No Mass

Tuesday, December 27 - 12:00 noon

Rev. Stephan Bodnar requested by Julianna Bodnar
Bill Rice requested by Mary & Joe Gooding
Margaret Denys requested by Johan Denys

Wednesday, December 28 - 8:00 am

Cliff Maxwell requested by Dave Bruder
Denis Boivin requested by Betty & Dennis Dwyer
Intentions of Luciano & Grace Magliaro requested by Pat Read

Thursday, December 29 - 12:00 noon

Dennis Poupore requested by Helen Holmes
Denis Boivin requested by Dorothy & Larry McGuire
Intentions of Romey Kieffer requested by Nick & Candace

Friday, December 30 - 8:00 am

Sofia Paiva requested by The Paiva Family
Cliff Maxwell requested by Ann Bruder & Family
Joseph M Abraham & Abraham Avira requested by Sherlin Joseph

Saturday, December 31 - New Years Eve

5:00 pm

Sunday, January - 1 New Years Day

8:30 am 10:30 am 12:30 pm

January 1st, 2017 Mary, The Holy Mother of God

First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7

Gospel: Luke 2:16-21

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



All those who are sick, including:

Emma Begg

Steve Morgan

Eleanor Gallant

Renato Gasparotto

Olga Iuliani

Greg Giesen

Alex Cooray

Jane Tyers

John Hunt

Nina Da Ponte

Thelma Coleman

Herman Nabben

Gabriel Paiva



And all those who have died, including:

Jim Ryan father of Colleen Williams & Patrick Ryan

Ed Albrechtas uncle of Fr. Don Pumputis

Memorial Masses at St. Peter's Cemetery

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

Men (16+) of Faith Conference 2017

All men & young men are being called to the 5th Annual Men of Faith Conference Sat Jan 21st, 2017 at St Michael's Parish in London. Ken Yasinski and Father Ben Leudtke will be our key note speakers. Come join us for some great fellowship and opportunity to grow in your faith. Sign up on line: www.famfi.ca or contact your parish representative for more information, mike@legacypartners.ca \$25 student / \$30 adults/ \$45 at the door. Hot lunch, refreshments, door prizes and registration kits are included. Happy New Year's...Resolutions!

The Knights Table

The Knight's will be having their Annual Yard Sale on May 6, 2017. So please save your items to donate.

St. Michael's Thanksgiving Appeal

Our Annual Thanksgiving Appeal Will Warp Up Next Week

This appeal is one of the most important to the Parish because every cent that is contributed to the appeal stays right here at St. Michael's to continue to support ministry, programs and outreach. These specific gifts are not assessed and none of it is sent to the Diocese. Cheques can be made to 'St. Michael's Parish.' Donations can also be made online at www.stmichaelslondon.ca Thank you.



Sunday Collection December 11th, 2016

Regular Offertory \$7,557
Pre-Authorized Gift \$3,602
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.



St. Vincent de Paul Outreach

SVDP Loose Collection is the 2nd Sun of each month.
(Please make cheques payable to St. Michael's Parish and write on the memo line SVDP.)

This Week at St. Michael's

Monday, December 26

- No Northern Hospitality Community Meal
- Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, December 27

- Parish Office Closed

Wednesday, December 28

- 8:00 pm—AA—St. Andre Bessette & St. Kateri Rooms

Friday, December 30

- Parish Office Closes at 12:00 noon

Please Mark Your Calendars

Parish Office Closed - Jan 2
Hospitality North Meal - Jan 2
YAH Cards restarts - Jan 5 - 1:00 pm
Exposition & Benediction - Jan 6
English Learning for Mass Responses restarts - Jan 9 - 6:00 pm
Hospitality North Meal - Jan 9
Mom's Group - Jan 10 - 10:00 am
Women of Grace Info Meeting - Jan 10 - 7:00 pm
Social Justice - Jan 10 - 7:15 pm
Art Group restarts - Jan 11 - 10:00 am
You Are not Alone YANA - Jan 11 - 7:00 pm
Bible Study - Jan 12 - 7:00 pm
Yarning with Love - Jan 14 - 10:00 am
African Caribbean Catholic Mass - Jan 22 - 2:30 pm

Please note No Children's Ministries Jan 1st

English Learning – For any person from a non-English speaking country wanting to learn about the Mass and its responses in English. Classes will be held on Monday evenings at 6:00 pm in the St. Anthony Room (2nd floor). **No classes Dec 26 & Jan 2.**

Bible Study with Father Don - Jeff Cavins Bible study program continues January 12th, 2017, each Thursday at 7 pm skipping the third week of the month. The workbook cost is \$29.00.

The St. Michael's Art Group will take a break over the Christmas Season and return to regular Wednesday gatherings on January 11th, 2017 in the St. Francis Library.

The Young at Heart (YAH) Card Group will take a break over the Christmas Season and return to regular Thursday gatherings on January 5th, 2017.

Volunteer Mass Porters needed for Parkwood Hospital - Would you like to assist patients at Parkwood Hospital to attend Mass? There is currently a need for porters to accompany patients to and from the Sunday 10:30 am Mass. There is flexibility about how often you would like to porter. Training provided. If you are interested in helping to provide this important service, please email Fr. Peter Poel ppoel@dol.ca or Deacon Joe Manzara jmanzara@dol.ca, or leave a message for Fr. Peter at 519-646-6100 ext. 64793.

Eucharistic Ministers needed at Mount Hope Centre for Long-Term Care. If you are not yet commissioned to be a Eucharistic Minister, we will connect with your Pastor and the Bishop about this. Training is provided. Day and times are flexible to your schedule. For information email Fr. Peter Poel at ppoel@dol.ca or Deacon Joe Manzara at jmanzara@dol.ca, or leave a message for Fr. Peter at 519-646-6000, ext. 64793.



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