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Feast of the Holy Family

DECEMBER 29TH, 2019 HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



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

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. Our next meeting is Wed Jan 8th. Mark your calendar. 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 Gauthier at 519-850-0600 or Dorothy Solomon at 519-204-2931

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 pm at Parish Office building of St. Peter's Basilica. If you wish further information call Cathie at 519-850-0600 or Theresa at 519-850-3627

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



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.

8th Annual Men of Faith Conference - Sat Jan 18, 2020

'2020 Vision - Courage & Fortitude To Do His Will" Register on line www.famfi.ca or by phone Mike 519-518-2025 ext. 22 Held at St. Michael's Parish, London.

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 Jan 17-19, 2020 at the Michaelite Centre, email retrouvaillelondonstthomas@gmail.com. Visit us on the web at www.helpourmarriage.com.

Relics of Saints - - In the area where the statues of Mary and Joseph are found, the former Ambry has been adopted to become a reliquary. In the reliquary are the relics of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, St. Jean de Brébeuf and Canadian Martyrs, St. John Neumann, St. Andre Bessette, St. Francis Xavier and St. Pius X.

Seeking Funeral Choir Members - We need your help to show our love and support to the families of the deceased. Come and share your voice at morning funerals. Practice is 20 minutes before the funeral. Contact the Parish Office if you would like to join this Music Ministry.

Looking for inspiration, a chance to grow your Catholic faith or wanting to encourage someone else? Lighthouse CD's are available in the Narthex. Change someone's life simply by giving a CD or grow your faith. Suggested donation amount \$5 per CD. ENJOY!

The Housing Crisis: A Christian Response Tues Jan 21st - 7 pm

On January 21st the Social Justice Committee is sponsoring a presentation on the housing crisis in London, following which there will be a discussion of how we, as a Christian community, can respond to the crisis. Further details will follow in January.

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 at every 12:30 pm Mass.

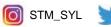
LIFETEEN Youth – Stay tuned Big News for 2020!



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. Please follow us on our social media for more info or email

us! Register on line for free. Next EDGE night Wed Jan 8th.





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CHOSEN Confirmation 2019-2020 CHOSEN Gatherings

Next gathering will be Sun Jan 26th from 11 am to 12:30 pm with an invitation to the 12:30 pm

mass. CHOSEN Confirmation gathering dates are Feb 23rd, Mar 29th, Apr 26th & May 3rd.

New Pllenty Giving - We have added another form of electronic 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.

2020 Parish Offertory Envelopes - Pick Up In The Foyer

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).

<u>Pre-Authorized Giving</u> – Have you thought more about making the move to PAG? It will save you money on cheques, you won't have to remember your envelope, and it is safe and so easy to do. Please consider enrolling in the PAG program. Complete sign up packages on the welcome desk, from the office or you can sign up on the Parish website with a credit card via PayPal. Thank you!

St. Michael's Moms' Group - Calling all mothers! Come to learn more about the Catholic faith together, connect with other moms and share faith and fellowship over coffee. Babysitting provided most days. No registration necessary. Our dates are twice monthly on Tuesday mornings from 10am-12pm, next session Jan 14th 2020.

Young At Heart Bridge - Drop in for an afternoon of bridge, on Thursdays at 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Light refreshments, conversation and bridge in the Parish Hall. Cards are provided. Friends are welcome! Registration is not requiredsimply bring a loonie and pay as you go! Next gathering Thurs Jan 9th, 2020.



Our Parish Website - Please visit our parish website. It is a helpful place to find many things such as sacramental registration, information on the groups and committees at the parish and also current and upcoming news. You can make your contribution to the Thanksgiving Appeal and you can also support the Give to Grow capital campaign through the website. While you are there, don't forget to register if you have not already! www.stmichaelslondon.ca

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Tuesday, December 31 - New Years Eve -No Noon Mass 5:00 pm

Wednesday, January 1 8:30 am & 10:30 am

January 1st, 2020 Mary, the Holy Mother of God First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27 Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7 Gospel: Luke 2:16-21

Mass Intentions

Thursday, January 2 - 12:00 noon

Intentions of Bill requested by Mary & Mike Luigi Pirocchi requested by Leda DiMarcelli Intentions of Margaret Moore requested by Bunny & Paul

Friday, January 3 - 8:00 am

Gabriela Jursic requested by Angela & Geni Iwon Eva Korczak requested by The Jasinski Family Intentions of Tina Fraser requested by Susan Telfer

Saturday, January 4 - 9:00 am

Henk Janssen requested by Herman & Agnes Lansink Elaine Kilian requested by Joanne Zwolski Dolores & Raphael Terron requested by Rita & Antonio Terron



January 5th, 2020 Epiphany of the Lord First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6 Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

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

Greg Giesen Gregory Seger All those who are sick, including: **Lucas Ferreira** Càla Hendrichson

And all those who have died.

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.

<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 31st 2019</u>. - Note donations collected at the New Year's Eve Dec 31st 5pm and New Year's Day Jan 1st masses will be receipted for 2020.

<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.

<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.

Eucharist for Gluten Intolerance - We continue to have a choice of the Precious Blood that is for those with gluten intolerance located at the entrance to the Eucharistic Chapel. We will now also have the Precious Body available for those with a gluten intolerance. If you have this need please contact one of the Priests or a member of the Pastoral Team.

Downtown Evening & Weekend Parking at St. Peter's Cathedral Park for a flat rate of \$5.00 after 4:30 pm weekdays and on the weekend. For more details visit www.cathedral.dol.ca or call the parish office at 519-432-3475.

<u>Pyx's</u>- If you have borrowed a pyx from the parish and no longer require its use, please return it to the parish office.



Sunday Collection Dec 15th 2019

Regular Offertory \$9,227 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 30

• 5:30 pm—Northern Hospitality Meal Maitland Baptist—Hall

Tuesday, December 31 - New Years Eve

Parish will Close at 12:00 noon

Wednesday, January 1 - New Years Day

- Parish Office Closed
- 7:00 pm—AA—St. Andre Bessette & St. Kateri Rooms

Thursday, January 2

- No Young At Heart Bridge Next Cards Jan 9th
- No Bible Study Next Session Jan 9th

Friday, January 3

- 9:00 am to 11:00 am—Art Club—St. Francis Library
- 8:30 am to 3:00 pm—Exposition—Nave
- 3:00 pm to 3:30 pm—Benediction—Nave
- 3:00 pm—Chaplet of the Divine Mercy—Nave

Sunday, January 5

2:00 pm—Baptisms—Nave

Please Mark Your Calendars

No Young At Heart Bridge on Thurs Jan 2, 2020 Exposition & Benediction - Fri Jan 3, 2020 Mom's Group resumes Tues Jan 14, 2020



Please Note <u>No</u> Children's Ministries on Dec 29th or Jan 1st



St. Josephine Bakhita African-Caribbean Catholic Community. London, Ontario

We are inviting all Africans, Caribbean and anyone who would like to join us for our monthly Masses. Our Mass is

held on the 4th Sunday of every month at St. Michael Parish, 511 Cheapside St. London at 2:30 pm. Kindly join us for this amazing time in the presence of the Lord. Mass next month is Jan 26th at 2:30 pm.

i.d.9:16 A Community of Missionary Disciples

Our next monthly Disciples' Night is <u>Thurs Feb 6th</u> at St. Michael's Parish, 511 Cheapside St., London. We will begin with Mass at 6:15 pm followed by a meal and drinks at 7 pm, and a talk with small group discussions at 8 pm. The evening will go until 9:30 pm. <u>The cost of dinner and talk is \$10 with an RSVP</u>, \$15 without an RSVP. RSVP via Facebook at i.d.9:16 Londonevent or email id916london@gmail.com.

Marriage Annulment - Are you hoping to get married in the Catholic Church or to have a union blessed? Or are you simply looking for some closure after a painful divorce? If so, consider applying for a Declaration of Nullity (annulment) from the Marriage Tribunal of the Diocese of London. The process is free of charge. We are here to help. If you want to start the process, or have some questions, please feel free to call 519-439-1553 or Toll Free at 1-866-603-4317 or email tribunal@dol.ca

<u>Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute</u> *Bioethics Matters* are available on line at http://www.ccbi-utoronto.ca/bioethics-matters/

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