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PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY SUNDAY OFFERTORY GIFT (PAG)

Contact Jolanda Squire at ext. 208

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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

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 Royal York Apts - 3 stops
Go to St. Michaels Church



Items for Bulletin due by noon Monday.

DECEMBER 3RD, 2017 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



S.V.D.P. Angel Tree 2017

St. Vincent de Paul Outreach are asking for assistance to help the needy children in our community. On the Angel Tree in the Church, we have placed tags with the age and gender of a child. Please consider being an 'angel' and taking a tag from the tree and return an unwrapped gift that would be appropriate for that child. Please return gifts with the tag ATTACHED on the weekends of Dec 2/3rd & Dec 9/10th. Monetary donations and wrapping paper will be gladly accepted. We cannot accept gifts after 12 noon on Mon Dec 11th. Thank you for your generosity.

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.

Advent Booklets - the daily reflection booklets for Advent are now available in the Nave. The booklets are \$3.00. Thank you.

Knights Table - December 2017

- 5th - General Meeting
- 19th - Executive Meeting
- 24th - Parking Day



Catholic Women's League: All ladies of the parish are invited to attend the CWL Christmas Social and Birthright Shower on Mon Dec 4th at 7 pm. It will be a wonderful evening with holiday treats, caroling and a gift exchange (\$5.00).

Members are kindly asked to bring a baby gift for Birthright. Our election for offices will also be held that evening, any member interested in running please call Maggie McGee at 519-951-1827. The membership drive continues until Dec 3rd - Please see the ladies in the foyer before and after all weekend Masses.

Christmas Bazaar: A Huge Success!

Our Christmas Bazaar was a huge success with over \$8,000 raised to support the school breakfast program, Hospitality North and many other social outreach programs. The Bazaar Planning Committee extends a heartfelt thank you to ALL the parishioners who donated their artwork, handicrafts, preserves, baking and candy, their time as a volunteer in setting up and helping at the event and so much more. It takes a strong faith community of dedicated people to make a difference and St. Michael's made it happen this year in a very BIG way! Thank you for your generosity and commitment. Special thanks to the extraordinary Bazaar Planning Committee who tirelessly worked over the past six months to make this one of the most extraordinary bazaars in London!

Mass for the Unborn will be held on Thursday, December 28, 2017 at 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 Ronald Fabbro will preside. This special celebration is sponsored by the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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 session will be on December 17th & January 28th from 11am-12:30pm in the Parish Hall.



Next EDGE Night - Wed Dec 6 at 7pm

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 for more info.

Mark on your calendar Wed Dec 20th Christmas Caroling & Party!

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

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. The first meeting will take place on Mon, Dec 11th in the Sanctuary from 7-9pm.

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

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.

First Reconciliation Dates and Times

December 5 and December 7 at 6:30 pm, December 9 at 11 am.

For children in Grade 2, who are registered to make their First Reconciliation, please plan on arriving 15 minutes earlier and checking in your child at the Welcome Desk. If you missed Parents Info Meeting, please, contact Yana Adkinson as soon as possible.

Please keep all of Grade 2 children making their First Reconciliation in your prayers.

Holy Land October 18-30, 2018

Come and join Fr. Don and myself as we walk in the Footsteps of Jesus. We will visit Nazareth, the home town of Jesus. We will celebrate mass in Bethlehem. We will walk the shores of the Sea of Galilee where Jesus spent his 3 years of preaching. We will visit Jerusalem and the place of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. If you would like information of the pilgrimage contact Joan Bolt at 519-471-6373 or speak to me. Information Meeting Sun Dec 3/17 at 3pm in the John Paul II Room.

Rev. Murray Sampel

DECEMBER 3RD, 2017 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 5 - 12 noon

Mario Palmieri requested by Tony Palmieri
Jim Dunning requested by Joan Jasinski
Jimmy Killen requested by Norman & Jackie Bordage



Wednesday, December 6 - 8:00 am

Tanya Zsoldos requested by Helen Pavliak
Daphne Stevens requested by The Campbell Family
Bill Rice requested by Mary Rice

Thursday, December 7 - 12 noon

Bernard Flanagan requested by Mary Ann Flanagan
Anne Michitsch requested by June & Edward Smith
Intentions of Michael & Joanne Dewan requested by Joe & Marilyn Dewan

Friday, December 8 - 8:00 am

Sofia Paiva requested by The Paiva Family
Gabriel Paiva Sr. requested by The Paiva Family
Peter MacDonald requested by Catherine MacDonald

Saturday, December 9 - 9:00 am

Huguette Arsenault requested by Omer Arsenault
Living & Deceased of the Clayton & Kathryn Lobby Family
requested by Maureen Looby
James Rickhard requested by John Gaynor

December 10th, 2017 Second Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Second Reading: 2 Peter 3:8-14

Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

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



All those who are sick, including:

Jane Tyers
Paula Lenardon
Cheryllann Robinson
Jennifer Ackford

John Hunt
Nick Greeson
Cathy Meyers
Greg Giesen
Bennett Rushon
Betty Ann Knowler



And all those who have died, including:

Joan McIver mother of Jim McIver
Sister Alice Marie MacDonald of the Sisters of St. Joseph
Margaret O'Brien aunt of Peter M. Feeney
Sister Rita Miller of the Ursuline Sisters
Ljaza Golf mother of Boris, Rajko, Mario & Janny
Catherine Hallinan
Estelle Iurman mother of Michelle Iurman

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.

Christmas Candle Service at St. Peter's Cemetery

Mon Dec 11th at 5:00pm in the Holy Family Mausoleum
Celebrant Fr. John Jasica. Candles and seating will be provided.
Photos of deceased loved ones may be placed on the Memorial Table.
Everyone is welcome to come to pray for their loved ones.

2018 Parish Offertory Envelopes

The 2018 envelopes will be available for pick up in the Parish Hall this weekend. Parishioners who use envelopes are asked to pick up the **box assigned to them**. They will be set out alphabetically. If you used your 2017 envelopes you will have the same envelope number for 2018. 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 2018).*

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!



Sunday Collection November 19th, 2017

Regular Offertory \$7,208
Pre-Authorized Gift \$3,717
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 4

- 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
- 7:00 pm—CWL—St. John Paul II Room

Tuesday, December 5

- 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm—1st Reconciliation—Nave
- 7:00 pm—Knights of Columbus—St. John Paul II Room

Wednesday, December 6

- 10:00 am to 12 noon—Art Club—St. Francis Library
- 7:00 pm—EDGE Youth Group—Hall
- 7:00 pm—Rosary Guild—St. Anthony Room
- 8:00 pm—AA—St. Andre Bessette & St. Kateri Rooms

Thursday, December 7

- 1:00 pm—Young At Heart Cards (YAH)—Hall
- 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm—1st Reconciliation—Nave
- 7:00 pm—Bible Study—Hall

Saturday, December 9

- 10:00 am to 12:00 noon—Yarning with Love—St. Francis Library
- 11:00 am to 1:00 pm—1st Reconciliation—Nave
- 6:30 pm—Retrouvaille—St. John Paul II Room

Please Mark Your Calendars

Northern Hospitality Meals - Dec 4, 11 & 18 (no meal on the 25th)
Mom's Group - Dec 12 - 10:00 am
Social Justice - Dec 12 - 7:15 pm
Lector Training - Dec 13 - 7:00 pm
YANA (You Are Not Alone) - Dec 13 - 7:00 pm
EDGE (Caroling & Party) - Dec 20 - 7:00 pm



**Please note No Children's Ministries on
Dec 24th, Dec 25th, Dec 31th or Jan 1st**

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.

Lector Training - Wed Dec 13/17 at 7:00 pm

If you would like to become a Lector or need a refresher course, please plan to attend this session. We will meet in the Church.
For more information, contact Yana Adkinson at yadkinson@dol.ca

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Principal Patron of the Diocese of London

Mass: Fri Dec 8th at 7:00pm
Presider: Bishop Ronald P. Fabbro CSB
Please join us for this Deanery celebration of our Diocesan Patronal Feast Day.

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