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PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY SUNDAY OFFERTORY GIFT (PAG)

Contact Jolanda Squire at ext. 208

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON Cherylan 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 & Saturday No mass
Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 noon
Wednesday & Friday 8:00 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

Restart date to be advised.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By appointment only.

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 – Dorothy Solomon

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Grand Knight - Marty McAllister

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

OFFICE HOURS

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

Items for Bulletin due by noon Monday.

FEBRUARY 14TH, 2021 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ash Wednesday Feb 17, 2021

Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence. We fast from eating a large meal on this day and we do not eat meat. It is the beginning of a time of Prayer, Fasting and Caring for the poor for 40 days. Perhaps as one of the ways we could enter this year is to pray for the end of the pandemic, to pray in support of those who are suffering. We can fast by observing all the regulations that are asked of us during this time and care for the poor in a special way by showing our support for all by observing the guidelines that are being asked of us.



First Reconciliation & First Communion 2020 – 2021

Jesus gave us the sacraments so that He could continue to touch us in our daily lives. Through grace, each sacrament draws us into a closer relationship with God. It is the role of all the baptised to hand on our faith and do so by example as well as ensuring children are appropriately prepared for this encounter with Christ in sacrament. Sunday worship is essential to handing on our living faith. Sacramental preparation begins at home through the faith of parents as they bear witness to human and religious values. It is supported and nourished through the parish and school families.

Parents, please check St. Michael's website for information and registration regarding preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this year. All children who are celebrating First Eucharist will be prepared for First Reconciliation. Please bring (or attach) a copy of your child's baptismal certificate with the registration form. Parent meetings will be held in the new year and further information about those will follow.

Please check out the parish website for further dates.

St. Michael's parish family looks forward to walking in faith with you and your family as your child prepares to encounter Christ in sacrament.

Dear Families,

While we cannot meet in person to celebrate mass, it is our role as parish to support you as you hand on your faith to your children. Children's Liturgy of the Word has been an integral part of Sunday mass for many children and we are now offering it as an online experience. You are invited to tune in for 10-15 minutes with your child to hear God's holy word as it is proclaimed each Sunday. It is through the Word of God that we learn of God's deep love for each of us.

You will also find on our website a link to the Children's Bulletin weekly so they can continue to reflect on what they heard and integrate it into their daily lives. You are invited to print the bulletin for your child and set a few minutes aside to talk about what they heard and participate in the fun activities in the bulletin. <https://thekidsbulletin.com/#jp-carousel-3374>

A special thank you to Megan Young and Darlene Durand for sharing their talents and deep faith.

Don't forget you can tune into Sunday mass by following this link as well. <https://stmichaelslondon.ca/sunday-mass>

It is the prayer of the pastoral team that you and your family remain well and continue to grow in your love and knowledge of God's love for you. Be assured of our prayers for you.

Bill C-7 - Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID) - The federal government has been given an extension to February 26, 2021 to pass amendments to the Criminal Code that will make Medical Assistance in Dying ("MAID" or euthanasia) more accessible, putting the disabled and elderly at risk of having their lives terminated, possibly without their full consent. A page on the dol.ca website has been created for access to resources related to the euthanasia legislation currently before the Canadian parliament (Bill C-7). The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops' statement opposing the legislation and other materials can be found on the Diocese of London website at <https://dol.ca/news/update-on-bill-c-7-medical-assistance-in-dying-maid>

Youth Ministry

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



EDGE, Lifeteen and Chosen are Currently postponed until further notice. Please follow Instagram, Twitter or Facebook for updates.



St Michael's 2021 Confirmation

Applications are available on line for grade 8 students in our feeder schools, St Michael's, St Mark's, St Kateri and St Catherine of Siena. If your child does not attend one of our schools, you may request a Confirmation kit at one of our weekend masses.

Any questions or concerns may be addressed to Syl Patry, Coordinator of Youth Ministry at spatry@dol.ca or 519-433-6689 x 206

Discover Christian Meditation - Lent is a great time to explore new spiritual paths. In Christian Meditation we pray with God. In the stillness, He gradually opens us up to His peace, love and energy.

Virtual meetings are weekly Tuesday 7-8PM.

Email behall2@gmail.com for a link. All are welcome.

LIVESTREAMING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - We have finally completed the work necessary to be able to properly livestream our Masses and other liturgical events to the internet. This is a permanent step. In order to be able to properly offer this service to our community, we require interested and capable volunteers to be willing to operate the equipment during Mass. If you have some knowledge of computers and the desire to learn, we invite you to please contact Doug Manners at the parish. dmanners@dol.ca or 519-433-6689 Ext 205. Thank you!



CWL News - We are continuing to collect the **2021 CWL \$25.00 membership fee**. It can be dropped off (rectory door mail slot) or mailed to the parish office. Be sure to write CWL Membership on the front and include your name, address, phone number and email.

Monthly Prayer Intentions - During these uncertain times when we are unable to be physically present to one another in times of need, the C.W.L recognizes the importance and power of prayer and in particular intercessory prayer. We invite you to join with us as we pray for the following intention:

February: During this month when we celebrate love, we pray for those who are finding struggles in their marriages, friendships, and family relationships.



Completion of Catholic Initiation - Are you a Baptized Catholic adult, but due to life circumstances have not received the sacrament of Confirmation? If you would like to complete your Catholic Initiation through the sacrament of Confirmation, an appropriate process that is integrated into the RCIA process will begin soon.

If you or someone you know would like to learn more about this process, please contact Debbie Walsh, Pastoral Minister in the parish office or by email; dwalsh@dol.ca.

Retrouvaille Weekend Experience Apr 9-11, 2021 - Spouses are helped with communication. For more information please call 519-243--0687 or visit www.retrouvaillelondon.com.

FEBRUARY 14TH, 2021 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

****Please note there are NO Weekday Masses****

With the Province enacting new directives on closures and following instructions from the Diocese, ALL MASSES will be considered CANCELLED until further notice. The Priests of the parish will continue with the celebration of daily Mass in some form to ensure that intentions of the day as well as for our parish community can be offered. Please refer to the Mass Intentions for the week found on the parish website www.stmichaelslondon.ca

Tuesday, February 16

Janette Kelly requested by Michael Kelly
Intentions of the Ann Bruder Family requested by Ann Bruder
Allison Twohey requested by The Burke and Twohey Families

Wednesday, February 17 - Ash Wednesday

Steve Morgan requested by Marilyn Morgan
Bill McLeelan requested by Bert Killian
In Thanksgiving requested by Hewit Gebreyesus

Thursday, February 18

Fr. Stephen Bodnar requested by Julianna Bodnar
Pasquale & Pasqualina De Vincenzo
requested by Carmen & Claudio De Vincenzo
John Dewan requested by Jim & Joe Dewan

Friday, February 19

Concetta & Antonio Iannantuono
requested by Carmen & Claudio De Vincenzo
Anne Marrone requested by Anita & Keith Rodrigues
In Thanksgiving requested by Hewit Gebreyesus

February 21st, 2021 First Sunday of Lent

First Reading: Genesis 9:8-15

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

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



Please pray for all those who have died, including:



Chris Cummings husband of Katie

Franc Koncan father of Michael, Mary Ann, Cathy and Tony

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops for Daily Readings.

<http://ec2-34-245-7-114.eu-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com/>

Mass Uploaded Online - Weekend Masses from St. Michael's are uploaded to our website by Sunday's at 3 p.m. Please refer to 'Sunday Mass' in the 'latest News' section of our website <https://stmichaelslondon.ca/sunday-mass>



Be Sure to check out the Parish Website.

You will find Links to nourish your faith through the upcoming Season of Lent.

Pllenty Giving - You can donate with a credit or debit card. We have added another form of electronic giving. Your smart phone can now be used as a convenient way of supporting St. Michael's. To make a donation through Pllenty or PayPal please visit our website <https://stmichaelslondon.ca/make-a-donation>

Pre-Authorized Giving - 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, it is safe and so easy to do. Please consider enrolling in the PAG program. Contact the parish office by phone or email stmichlon@dol.ca. You can sign up on the Parish website with a credit card via PayPal. Thank you!

COVID-19 UPDATES -With the Province enacting new directives on closures and following instructions from the Diocese, ALL MASSES will be considered CANCELLED until further notice. The Priests of the parish will continue with the celebration of daily Mass in some form to ensure that intentions of the day as well as for our parish community can be offered. Please continue to refer to the parish website www.stmichaelslondon.ca regularly for the most recent updates and messages.



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. Please make cheques payable to St. Michael's Parish and write SSVP on the memo line or for an electronic donation, select SSVP from the drop-down list on Pllenty.

This Week at St. Michael's

Monday, February 15

- 5:30 pm—Northern Hospitality take out meals—Outside Pick up at south east corner Hall Doors

Please Mark Your Calendars

Hospitality North Take Out Meal - Feb 22 - 5:30 pm



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. Masses currently on pause until further notice.

Stay Up To Date - Visit St. Michael's Parish Website

Please visit our parish website to find information about the Parish.

Our home page web address is:

<https://stmichaelslondon.ca/>

To view our latest news:

<https://stmichaelslondon.ca/latest-news>

To make a donation online:

<https://stmichaelslondon.ca/make-a-donation>

For information about sacraments:

<https://stmichaelslondon.ca/sacraments>

To register at the Parish:

<https://stmichaelslondon.ca/form/registration-form>

To view the Parish bulletin:

<https://stmichaelslondon.ca/bulletins>

**To make mass reservations online:

<https://stmichaelslondon.ca/mass-reservations>

**Paused until new directives from the provincial government

Extension of the Dispensation from the Sunday Obligation - As communicated to priests and parishes in the diocese on 29 January 2021, Bishop Fabbro has extended the dispensation from the Sunday obligation until the end of the last Saturday of the Easter Season; that is, up to and including Pentecost Sunday.

Diocesan Updates - Please visit the Diocese of London website at <https://www.dol.ca/> To find the latest updates from Bishop Fabbro scroll down to Diocesan News.

2021 Parish Offertory Envelopes - Pick Up Parish Office

The 2021 envelopes are available. Please email stmichlon@dol.ca or leave a message at 519-433-6689 if you would like your 2021 boxed envelope set mailed to you or to arrange curbside pick up. Thank you for your continued support of the Parish.

St. Mary Catholic School Choir and Orchestra Program

Application Information - St. Mary School has begun the application process for entrance to Grade 5 for 2021/2022. Application to the program is open to all Grade 4 Students of the London District Catholic School Board. All applicants must meet the admission requirements. Brochures with application forms are available in all LDCSB Catholic elementary schools. Please contact your Principal for further details of the application and audition process or call St. Mary School at 519-675-4423. Application Brochures are also available on the St. Mary School Website (<https://mal.ldcsb.ca/>). Applications are due by February 19, 2021.





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