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PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY SUNDAY OFFERTORY GIFT (PAG)

Contact Jolanda Squire at ext. 208

PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON Gail Brown

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 to 10:30 a.m. & 4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism - 1st Sunday of each month at 2:00pm or mass of your choice.

Baptismal Preparation - Contact Fr. Seejo John

Marriage - Arrangements to be made at least six months in advance

Marriage Preparation - Feb 27th, 28th and March 1, 2015

Priesthood/Religious Life - Fr. Murray

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 - George J. Rogister

PRAYER LINE: Prayer requests are received at prayerline@rogers.com or call 519-433-6823

1st Friday of every month & Benediction at 12:00 noon.

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	
9:50am	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.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Sponsored by St Michael's Parish Knights of Columbus

on **Tues Feb 17th from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.**

See Posters on bulletin boards for more details.

Any men who are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus are encouraged to talk to our membership committee members at the Supper.



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Celebrations for Ash Wednesday - February 18, 2015

At Masses: 8:00 am, 12:00 noon and 7:00 pm

Liturgy of the Word at

St. Mark's, St. Catherine of Siena, Saint Kateri and St. Michael's Elementary Schools at 1:30 pm

Ash Wednesday is a Day of Fast and Abstinence. This means we abstain from meat (no meat on Ash Wednesday). Fasting means we eat very little to mark the beginning of this great season. We also fast on Good Friday.

Thoughts for Lent

Ash Wednesday on February 18th begins the forty days of preparation before Easter. Traditionally, this is a time to take stock of the direction our lives are taking and particularly our relationship with God and neighbour. The reason we give up things for Lent is because Jesus gave up his life for us. Fasting, prayer and almsgiving are three main pillars of the spiritual life that we try to strengthen during Lent. Fasting not only from food but from things that take us away from God. Prayer is not only saying more prayers but deepening our prayer life by learning to know how God speaks to me personally, meditating on Scripture and asking for whatever it is I lack as a genuine disciple of Jesus. Almsgiving is giving of our time, talent and treasure but not from a surplus or what is in excess but challenging oneself to "Give until it hurts. Love, if it is genuine must cost us." (Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta)

Weekday Masses During Lent

Mon, Tues & Thurs 12:00 noon; Wed & Fri 8:00 am and Sat 9:00 am

Stations of the Cross

Friday's during Lent at 12:00 noon beginning Feb 20/15

Parish Mission Mar 22-24

The Three Sacred Days - Tridium

Please mark your calendar & invite others to join you in a

Lenten Mission March 22-24, 2015

with Terry Nelson-Johnson. Each evening he will share a reflection on the Three Great Days of Lent

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

brings the Joy of the Gospel for Share Lent 2015

On Ash Wednesday, Development & Peace will launch its annual Share Lent campaign with the theme "Sow much love ... to give." This annual campaign raises funds to support its mission in more than 30 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East. This year, each of Development and Peace's weekly bulletin announcements features quotations from Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel. We hope the Holy Father's inspiring words will lead you to read the full text, and move you to give generously to the Share Lent campaign. Learn more at devp.org/sharelent.

CAPITAL CORNER:

Capital Corner: Your gift to the Give to Grow capital campaign can be made in many forms: a pledge amount with payments equally divided over 5 years, a simple monthly pre-authorized gift from your bank account, a gift of stocks to save the capital gains taxes or, of course, a lump sum gift. And, all gifts are tax deductible! Thank you for investing in the Foundations for the Future of St. Michael's.

"Lord Teach me to be generous" – St. Ignatius of Loyola.

SYNC YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER

Serving Youth in Christ at St. Michael's Parish

Check out the Youth Ministry bulletin boards at the main entrances to the church for other good news in Youth Ministry!

A FAMILY DAY REFLECTION

A Reading from a letter of Paul to the Colossians (3:12-17)

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

TEEN NIGHT

All teens in grades 9-12 are invited to attend our Teen Nights that take place on the 1st and 3rd Sunday's of the month. Come and join us for games, prayer, prizes, snacks and an opportunity to learn more about your Catholic faith. Invite a friend!

Upcoming Teen Nights: SUN FEB 15 (7:30-9pm St. Michael's School Gym), SUN MARCH 1, COFFEE HOUSE (7:30-9pm Parish Hall)

S.Y.N.C. TEEN COFFEE HOUSE – SUN MARCH 1, 7:30-9:00pm

All youth in grades 8-12 are invited to come out to St. Michael's Parish Coffee House on Sun March 1 from 7:30-9:00 p.m. for live music in our parish hall – Admission is free! Enjoy a hot cup of coffee, tea or hot chocolate all for a good cause. Bring your loonies and toonies because all proceeds from coffee, tea and sweet treats will go to local charities in our community. If you are interested in performing, please contact Natalie at nhleba@dol.ca

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

If you are in Grades 8-12 and are interested in participating in the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday (April 3) at the 10 am service, you are invited to our **first practice held in the church on Mon March 9 from 7-9 pm.** This is an awesome chance to share your time and talents with our faith community as you lead our parish in reflection of the last days of Jesus' earthly life. You can also receive service hours towards the Confirmation program or your High School requirements. The other practices are Thurs March 12, 7-9pm, Thurs March 26, 7-9pm and Mon March 30, 6-9pm. The dress rehearsal will be held on Thurs April 2 from 9pm until midnight following Holy Thursday Mass at 7:30 pm. If you are interested in participating, please email Natalie at nhleba@dol.ca

WORLD YOUTH DAY, POLAND 2016

If you are a young person between the ages of 18-29 interested in participating in a World Youth Day pilgrimage to Poland (July 17-Aug 2, 2016), the Diocese of London is currently organizing a group and has open their registrations. The pilgrimage costs \$2,700 Canadian dollars per person and a deposit of \$500 is due by Feb 27, 2015. For more information on travel itinerary, etc. please contact Dan Moynihan at dmoynihan@dol.ca or Wendy O'Toole at wotoole@dol.ca (or call 519-433-0658 ext. 252)

Marriage Preparation

St. Michael's will be hosting the Marriage Preparation weekend from Friday February 27 to Sunday March 1. If you are marrying this year and have not yet registered for the weekend, please do so by calling the office at 519-433-6689, before Feb 19/15. The Cost is \$125.00.

Parish Response Form

It is still not too late to complete the Parish Response Form included in your December newsletter. Please take a moment and complete the physical copy, drop it off at the welcome desk or the office or perhaps even simpler, complete the short response from the parish website. By completing this important information we can continue to deliver services and ministries to serve the needs of the parish. One per person in each household is encouraged. Thank you for your responses.

FEBRUARY 15TH, 2015 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, February 17 - 12 noon

Fr. Stephen Bodnar requested by The Family
Intentions of Loretta M. Bayne requested by Louise & Al Murphy
Intentions of Frances Murphy requested by Louise & Al Murphy

Ash Wednesday, February 18 - 8:00 am

Cathy Palmieri requested by Tony Palmieri
Antonio Pizzuti requested by His Wife & Family
Intentions of Nick Greeson requested by Richard & Marian Zientara

Ash Wednesday, February 18 - 12:00 noon

Margaret Sgariglia requested by David & Anne Cook
Elma Cabanayan requested by Adoracion Knott
Carol Burns requested by Gary & Carole Murphy

Ash Wednesday, February 18 - 7:00 pm

Ian Clifford requested by Scott & Melissa Veenvliet
Chacko Joseph requested by Nigil Chacko
Intentions of Mary Miller requested by Don & Mary Kay

Thursday, February 19 - 12 noon

Virgilio Lopes requested by Maria Juliett
Intentions of Marcella Rijavec requested by Bob & Rosemarie Granger
Patrick Moir requested by Ilene Moir

Friday, February 20 - 8:00 am

Deceased members of the McLaughlin Family
Christopher Turino requested by Rosa Nufrio
Special Intentions for Linda requested by Paul & Bunny Harris

Saturday, February 21 - 9:00 am

Belardino & Concetta Purificati requested by Rosa & Antonio Castrilli
With thanks for a special intention requested by Maria Michienzi
Gwyn & Doreen Samuel requested by Mary Pat Leidl

February 22nd, 2015 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/>



All those who are sick, including:

**Jeff Talbot, Greg Giesen, Mary Storey,
Nick Greeson, Andre Tallieu, Welly Garber,
Maria Garcia del Castillo & Albin Kovacic.**

And all those who have died, including:

Leyla Betancourt grandmother of Wendy Betancourt
John Maciuk father of Alison Fieder

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.

Tues Mar 10/15, Apr 14/15, May 12/15, Jun 9/15

The Knights Table

Feb 17 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake/Sausage Dinner

Feb 24 - 7:30 pm Executive Meeting

Mar 3 - General Meeting

Mar 8 - Community Breakfast

In conjunction with the Community Breakfast, Council 12820 will be conducting a membership drive. Any men who are interested in joining the Parish Knights of Columbus are encouraged to talk to members of our membership committee at the March 8th Breakfast.



CWL News: Save the Date - 95th Annual Diocesan Convention will be held in London this year from April 20 - April 22. The keynote speakers are Fr. Tom Lynch "60 Ways to Evangelize", and Ellis Katsof, Chief Executive Officer, Pathstone Mental Health. For more information contact Joan Lobsinger at 519-438-4909.



Sunday Collection

February 1st, 2015

Regular Offertory \$6,462
Pre-Authorized Gift \$3,172
Thank you for your continued generosity!

Prayer requests/petitions can be submitted to St. Michael's Prayer Line email address
prayerline@rogers.com
or call 519-433-6823



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.

English Learning

For any person from a non-English speaking country wanting to learn about the Mass and it's responses in English, please come to a class offered on Mondays 5:30 to 6:30 pm in the Library Rm.

This Week at St. Michael's

Monday, February 16 - Family Day

- Parish Office Closed
- No Community Meal

Tuesday, February 17

- 10:00 am to 11:30 am—Art Club—Hall
- 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm—RCIC—Room E
- 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm—Pancake Supper—Hall
- 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm—Baptismal Preparation—Room E
- 7:00 pm—SVDP—Room D
- 7:30 pm—Knights of Columbus Executive—Library Room

Wednesday, February 18 - Ash Wednesday

- 8:45 am—Exercise SOTM—Hall
- 9:30 am to 11:30 am—Moms Group—Room E
- 7:00 pm—Rosary Guild—Library Room
- 7:30 pm—RCIA—Room E
- 8:00 pm—AA—Room B&C

Thursday, February 19

- 1:00 pm—Cards—Hall
- 1:30 pm—Faith Sharing—Library Room
- 3:30 pm—Finance Committee—Library Room
- 7:30 pm—Parish Council—Room E

Friday, February 20

- 10:30 am—Exercise SOTM—Hall

Sunday February 22

- 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm—First Communion Class—Room E
- 2:30 pm—African Caribbean Catholic Mass—Church

Lenten Booklets

Not by Bread Alone—the booklets for Lenten daily reflections are available from the back of the Church starting this weekend. The cost is \$3.00 per booklet.

Parish Newsletter

As was noted in the December issue of the St. Michael's newsletter, to help in keeping costs down the newsletters will no longer be mailed out to each and every parishioner. They will be available in the Church, from the office and as always on the Parish website. It will continue to be printed at Easter, in the Fall and at Christmas. If you wish to have a copy mailed to you, please contact Doug Manners at 519-433-6689 Ext. 205 or at dmanners@dol.ca

Knights Table - Parish Yard Sale

The Knights of Columbus will again be organizing the Parish Yard Sale in conjunction with the CWL and other volunteers. In 2014 the Yard Sale raised over \$3,400 for St. Michael's Parish. This year the Yard Sale will be held on May 30th. Please start setting aside your surplus garage and household items for this year's sale.

Hospitality

Thank you for more people coming forward to be the welcoming face of St. Michael's before Masses. It is making a difference, comments have been tremendous! We still encourage more to assist. Ideally we would like at least 4 people at each Mass; 2 at the Maitland St. entrance and 2 in the main foyer. Please contact the office to volunteer. Thank you.


Save the Date: Day of Confessions March 25, 2015

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