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Epiphany of the Lord

JANUARY 2ND, 2022 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Dear Friends.

Throughout the Advent and Christmas season we at St. Michael's Parish prepared our hearts and homes well to celebrate the birth of Jesus. We rediscovered the greatest and most perfect gift God has ever given. Through the lighting of candles, decorating the sanctuary and church, singing the carols and all those other preparations we made, we reminded ourselves once again that the gift of Christmas came in the person of Jesus, wrapped in swaddling clothes.

I offer words of thanks to all who made the Christmas celebrations a great success. A special thank you to our dedicated staff and volunteers. There was a great sense of joy and enthusiasm in the air despite the reality of COVID restrictions. Thank you to our music ministers who always enliven our celebrations. Thank you to all who helped out with the various ministries during our Christmas celebrations. Thank you to those who decorated our church and grounds so beautifully for the Christmas Season. Thank you for the many Christmas cards, gifts and goodies sent to the office and rectory. Please know these were greatly appreciated.

Father Daniel

A house blessing on the feast of the Epiphany

There is a tradition of inscribing door lintels with the initials, 20+C+M+B+22, using chalk on this day. These letters represent the three initials of the Magi's names written between the number of the year, separated by four crosses. The letters also form an acronym for a most appropriate prayer: Christus Mansionem Benedicat, "May Christ bless this house."

Happy New Year and Happy Epiphany, St. Michael's Staff

<u>Sunday Mass - Reservations are Needed to Attend</u> Saturday 5:00 pm, Sunday 8:30 am, 10:30 am and 12:30 pm.

The number of people in the church will be guided by the directives of the government and the Bishop of London. We require registering. This can be done by going to the Parish website https://stmichaelslondon.ca/mass-reservations or by phone 519-433-6689 for those who are unable to use the website.

Arrival for Mass: We would like to remind everyone that we are still required to maintain COVID protocols to attend Mass. This includes registering for Mass as well as checking in at the entrance to the Church. Our volunteers dedicate their time and are here 45 minutes before Mass to do this properly. Our volunteers also wish to celebrate Mass with the congregation, and they cannot do this when they are checking in late arrivals. This is a reminder to arrive early for Mass as the doors will be closed and late admittance cannot be permitted.

<u>The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop's for Daily Readings.</u> <u>http://ec2-34-245-7-114.eu-west-1.compute.amazonaws.com/</u>



Walking With the RCIA:

It takes a parish to initiate!

With the Advent Season complete, we enter into the Christmas Season and celebrate the great gift of

God With Us. We continue to pray with and for our Inquirers and Candidates who have responded to the whispers of the Spirit inviting them to journey in relationship with our Triuune God. Not even a pandemic can silence the call of the Holy Spirit.

We are blessed to have sponsors who are the bridge to the community for these seekers. Let us give thanks to God for so many blessings! What are you thankful for today?

Alexandra, Stephanie, Tiffany, Katianna, Cora, Jano, Courtney, Natalie, Geoffrey, Dawn, Katie, Mikyla, Emmanuel, Kim, David, Abdbukola, Genivieve, Nicole, Kim, Andre, Avery, Julian, Scarlett, Lukas, John May you continue to respond to the prompting of the Holy Spirit in your life.

CWL News

Happy New Year to all our members!

As we begin 2022, it is a good time to reflect on the CWL's core values of faith, service, and social justice and how we can live these out in our lives.

<u>January Prayer Intention</u> - As the colder months are upon us, let us pray for our brothers and sisters who are homeless.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHRISTMAS ART...

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the Knights of Columbus Christmas Art competition. St. Kateri and St. Catherine of Siena Schools clearly have some

budding artists.

Each piece of artwork is a masterpiece reflecting the how the story of Christmas dwells in the heart of the artist. The outstanding pieces of art are on display in the Narthex.

Thank you Mike Specht, member of the Knights of Columbus for continuing this tradition. The artwork certainly brings a spark of hope, light and joy to the halls of St. Michaels.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Congratulations to the following students who won prizes from the Knights of Columbus Council #12820 "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest: A

Ages 5-7 First place – Sophie Wood - St. Catherine of Siena

Ages 5-7 Runner Up – Gosim Anaedu - St. Catherine of Siena

Ages 8-10 First Place - Aliya Serezo - St. Mark

Ages 8-10 Runner Up – Jessica Damaren – St. Mark

Ages 11-14 First Place – Aeryn Gonzales – St. Mark

Ages 11-14 Runner Up – Kyla Ross – St. Catherine of Siena
Thanks to all who submitted a Christmas poster this year!

<u>Livestream Masses</u> - To participate Live with us please visit: www.stmichaelslondon.ca/live-stream and click on the link provided. Masses will be archived on the parish YouTube channel (St. Michael's London Masses), Facebook page (St Michaels London North parishes) and Vimeo page (St. Michael's Parish London, ON)



First Reconciliation and First Communion this year, Registration is now open on St. Michael's website or forms are available in the Narthex.

with you and your family to prepare your child to meet Christ in Sacrament



Offertory Envelope Pick Up - The 2022 envelopes are available from the parish office during regular office hours. Please call if you plan to come by. If you do not have a boxed set assigned to you and would like one, please contact the office stmichlon@dol.ca or 519-433-6689.

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

<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, 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!

<u>Catholic Websites:</u> www.stmichaelslondon.ca, www.catholiccemeteries.on.ca, www.saltandlighttv.org, www.dol.ca, www.catholic.net,www.catholicnews.com & www.vatican.va

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Reservations are <u>not</u> needed for Weekday Mass All required protocols for mass attendance will continue to be practiced.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 4 - 12:00 noon

Ruth Cowan requested by Mike Cowan Dr. Zelenko requested by Phoeby Sheldan Intentions of Dr. Valerie-Dawn Girhiny requested by The Bodnar Family

Wednesday, January 5 - 8:00 am

Nicola & Marianna Ferro
requested by Carmen & Claudio De Vincenzo
Christina & Silvestro Del Re
requested by Carmen & Claudio De Vincenzo
Pasquale & Pasqualina De Vincenzo
requested by Carmen & Claudio De Vincenzo

Thursday, January 6- 12:00 noon

Fr. Stephen Bodnar requested by The Bodnar Family Intentions of Father Nicholas requested by The Bodnar Family Father Marton Hernady requested by The Bodnar Family

Friday, January 7 - 8:00 am

Norbert Patrao requested by Philameno Patrao Paschal Ojukwu requested by Chinelo Ojukwu Anita Renaud requested by Theresa Bombardier



January 9th, 2022 Baptism of the Lord First Reading: Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7 Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 http://www.usccb.org/bible/

Please pray for all those who have died.



The Children's Bible is available online weekly at https://thekidsbulletin.com/#jp-carousel-3374 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. For those unable to attend mass, you can tune into Sunday mass by following this link as well. https://stmichaelslondon.ca/sunday-mass

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

<u>Safety is Key</u> – In the interest of caring for each other, you can be a great help in maintaining a safe environment. If you are entering or leaving the Church and feel that the walkways on premises are at all unsafe or that weather may be cause for concern; please advise one of the priests, staff or ushers of this fact. We will deal with it in a timely manner. Thank you for your attention.

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

Please check Facebook page <u>London Ontario i.d.</u> visit <u>www.id916.com</u> or email <u>id916london@gmail.com</u> to get the latest information about i.d.9:16 upcoming events and how to register.

FAMILY OF PARISH

Check this area of the bulletin each week for news and notes on our Family of Parish. What do we have to share? Our Family will consist of St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica, St. Josephine Bakhita African-Caribbean Community and us! When does it start? The Family will be officially announced January 2022 with Pastor and Associates named.

We will be activated in July of 2022.



Sunday Collection December 19th, 2021

Regular Offertory \$4,675 Pre-Authorized Gift \$3,852 PayPal \$310 & Pllenty \$356 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.

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, January 3

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

Friday, January 7

- 8:30 am to 10:00 am—Exposition—Nave
- 10:00 am to 10:30 am—Benediction—Nave
- 10:30 am—Divine Mercy—Nave

Saturday, January 8 and/or Sunday, January 9

Live Stream Mass—Please Visit Website for Mass Time

https://stmichaelslondon.ca/live-stream

<u>Divine Mercy Chaplet</u> - Immediately following the 8:00 am mass, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed in the Church. Each Friday we will continue this beautiful prayer. Please note on the first Friday of the month, the Chaplet will be prayed following 10:00 am Benediction.



St. Josephine Bakhita African-Caribbean Catholic Community. London, Ontario - We are inviting all Afri-

cans, 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 will be celebrated on Sun Jan 23, 2022 at 2:30 pm.

Extension of the Dispensation from the Sunday Obligation - As communicated to priests and parishes in the diocese on November 12th, 2021, Bishop Fabbro has extended the <u>dispensation from the Sunday obligation up to and including Sunday February 27th, 2022</u>

Please visit the Diocese of London website at https://www.dol.ca/ to find the latest updates from Bishop Fabbro, scroll to Diocesan News.

Please follow the Diocese of London on:

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YouTube - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqJU-

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Adult Faith Formation from the Comfort of Your Own Home

The Diocese of London continues to partner with Dayton University to provide all parishioners with affordable, high quality formation opportunities. The next cycle of classes starts January 17, 2022. Registration is now open and closes on January 12. The next cycle of learning offers a number of courses. For a complete list of course offerings and for more information https://vlcff.udayton.edu/calendar/#cycle 1 2022 English If you have questions, please email us at pastoralservicesadmin@dol.ca.

St. Peter's Cemetery

Please visit https://dol.ca/about-our-catholic-cemeteries or phone 519-451-9120 to find out the most up to date protocols.

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

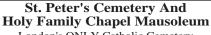


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