

# St. Michael's Parish

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## PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY SUNDAY OFFERTORY GIFT (PAG)

Contact Jolanda Squire at ext. 208

**PASTORAL COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON** Cherylann Grace

## 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

Blessed 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 2:00 p.m. or mass of your choice.

*Baptismal Preparation* - Contact Sr. Kathy O'Keefe

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

*Marriage Preparation* - Weekend Feb 10, 11, 12, 2012

*Priesthood/Religious Life* - Call Fr. Sample, Fr. Sharp or Sr. O'Keefe

*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.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Grand Knight - Bud Jardine


## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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.

**Stewardship Reflection**

“They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh...” - Matthew 2:11

Notice the distinct order of events in the Magi’s visit. First they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we presume to present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what gifts God might be asking us to share. But when we kneel before Him in prayer we will find the answer.

**Pre-Authorized Offertory Gifts**

At St. Michael’s Parish we have an Automatic Bank gift giving program to make your regular donations to the Parish easier for you. Your Offertory donation may be made by authorizing a monthly deduction from your bank account. You will never need to worry about forgetting your envelope and your regular support of St. Michael’s Parish.

If you would like more information about this program please call Jolanda Squire at the Parish Office at 519-433-6689 ext. 208.

**THE WORD ON THE PAGE - A CREATIVE WRITING BLOG**

The Word on the Page, our creative writing group has evolved into an online blog at <http://stmichaelswordonthepage.blogspot.com/>. We will post on a regular basis articles and resources related to creative writing within the spirit of our Catholic faith. Parishioners of all ages are welcome to visit us at this site and share comments and even some of their own works of creative writing.

**Mom and Dads Group will start up again in 2012 on Wednesday, January 11th at 9:30 am**



There is still time to join or **renew your CWL membership for 2012**. Envelopes can be placed in the regular collection basket at mass. Be sure to include your full name, address, phone number and the \$20.00 membership fee. New members are always welcome!

**You Are Not Alone**:- A friendship and faith-sharing group for people in recovery from mental illness and people supporting a loved one with a mental illness. We meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month, 7:00 to 8:30 P.M., at St. Michael’s Parish, in Room D. For information, call Cathie Gauthier 519-850-0600, or Deacon Bob/Joanne Hartman 519-473-2263.

**Gr. 8 Parent Information Night John Paul II Secondary School**

Wed. Jan 11, 2012 7:00 pm  
Come learn about registration & course options.  
Take a guided school tour.

**A Busy Person’s Spiritual Retreat**

Do you wonder how to find the time to be a part of a directed retreat? Are you asking yourself who can help you to explore questions about prayer and growth in your relationship with God? A Busy Person’s Retreat may be a place for you to start. Beginning Sunday, January 22nd, 2012 at 7:00 P.M., we will start a week long retreat in our parish, with Spiritual Directors available to meet with you around your schedule. The retreat will end on Saturday, January 28th, 2012 with a Closing Session and Social Gathering following the 5:00 P.M. Mass. For more information see the brochure at the back of the church or contact Sister Kathy O’Keefe, csj at 519-433-6689 Ext. # 203.

*Please do not leave valuables in your vehicle.  
There have been thefts from vehicles in the parking lot.*

**YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER**

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

**CHRISTMAS CARD ART CONTEST: We have our winners!**

Thank you to all of the youth in Grades 5-8 who entered their Christmas Cards into our art contest. The volunteers that looked through each of them were amazed at all of the outstanding creativity and work that you put into them. The winners were Sachu Jinson, Juan Jimenez, Lauren Blaha, Emily Jones, Patrick Zwinkels and Leo Kim. Congratulations to all of you! The winners each won a gift card to Michael’s Craft Store. All cards that were entered in this contest will be displayed in the main foyer of the church during the Christmas season.

**NEXT TEEN NIGHT – SUNDAY JANUARY 15, 2012**

Thanks to all of the high school students that continue to make our monthly Teen Nights a success! Our next Teen Night will be held in the parish hall on Sunday January 15 from 7-9pm. New high school students are always welcome. Bring a friend!

**SPORTS SUNDAYS**

Thank you to all youth in grades 5-8 who have joined us for Sports Sundays. We are grateful especially for the leadership of our coordinator, Chris, and our volunteer, Aurene. Stay tuned for the winter schedule...

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION  
ATTENTION ALL GRADE 8 STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

If you are registered for Confirmation already but missed the Parent/Candidate Meeting on Tuesday November 29, please make sure that you pick up a copy of the workbook *Confirmation for Teens* as well as three handouts from the meeting at the parish office. Any questions? Please call Natalie at the parish office.

The Confirmation journal project was due on Thurs Dec 8. If you have not already done so, please hand in your journal to the parish office. The “Confirmation for Teens” booklet must be handed in to the parish on the day that you attend your Confirmation Retreat (either Jan 17 or Jan 18, 2012).

Service hours opportunity: If you are interested in decorating placemats that will be used at the Northern Hospitality meal in January, please contact Natalie at the parish office. The placemats would be due back to the office on Jan 12, 2012. We have around 125 placemats that need to be decorated.

**CONFIRMATION RETREAT**

The Confirmation retreat will once again be lead by a dynamic team of youth called the National Evangelization Team (NET). Those students who attend St. Mark’s, Blessed Kateri, Public School, Private School, High School or any French Immersion School will gather on Tuesday January 17, 2012. Those students who attend St. Catherine of Siena, St. Michael’s and St. Mary’s Choir School will gather on Wednesday January 18, 2012. Each of these days will begin at the parish at 9:30 a.m. and we will conclude with mass at 4:00 p.m. Parents and sponsors are welcome to join us for mass. Candidates are asked to bring their own lunch.

A reminder that the “Confirmation for Teens” workbook is to *be handed in on the day of the retreat.*

**CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL, PRIVATE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

There will be 4 mandatory Confirmation Preparation classes for all Confirmation Candidates who attend public, private or high school. The dates are **Tuesdays January 24 and 31 and February 7 and 14 from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall**. There is no need to register, just show up!

**Refugee Committee Update on New Refugee Family**

Our Iraqi refugee family arrived on November 30, 2011. We have many needs to set up their apartment. Please help as you are able. See our list at [http://www.stmichaels.dioceseoflondon.ca/ministries/Social\\_Justice/Refugee%20Committee/RefugeeNeeds-2011/RequirementsList\\_a.pdf](http://www.stmichaels.dioceseoflondon.ca/ministries/Social_Justice/Refugee%20Committee/RefugeeNeeds-2011/RequirementsList_a.pdf)

# JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2012 EPIPHANY

## Mass Intentions for January 9<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>

### Monday, January 9 - 12 noon

In Thanksgiving requested by Shirley Litt  
Joseph Goodchild requested by Fay Goodchild  
Wib Bruder & Family

### Tuesday, January 10 - 12:00 noon

Gerta Scheid requested by Donald & Mary Kay  
Mary Schloman requested by Terry Brennan  
John Iwon requested by Mary Bartoch

### Wednesday, January 11 - 8:00 am

Souls in Purgatory requested by Sarah Wills  
Francesco & Armando De Piero requested by Rosa & Antonio Castrilli  
Paul Nicholson requested by Tim Nicholson

### Thursday, January 12 - 12:00 noon

Savio Jacques requested by Philomenia Jacques & Family  
Wib Bruder requested by The Chapmans  
Mary Doherty requested by Young at Heart Card Players

### Friday, January 13 - 8:00 am

Donald Collins requested by Joanne Murphy  
Belardino & Concetta Purificato requested by Rosa & Antonio Castrilli  
Pat Glavin requested by Jim & Rita Thorne

### Saturday, January 14 - 9:00 am

Living & Deceased members of the Clayton & Kathryn Looby Family  
requested by The Family  
Michael Said requested by Salvina Said  
Raymond Moir requested by Pauline Devine

### Readings for Next Weekend

January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3-10, 19  
Second Reading: 1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20  
Gospel: John 1:35-42



## Babysitting Schedule January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

10:30 a.m.

Danielle G, Stephanie  
& Sarah



**Please Note:** Some of our Parishioners have allergies and are sensitive to perfume. We invite people to refrain from using perfume and cologne.



## St. Vincent de Paul Outreach

Loose Collection for SVDP is  
the **2nd Sunday**  
of each month.

## ALTAR SERVERS

JAN 14TH & 15TH

### 5:00 p.m.

Aakaash Dominic  
Vikaash Dominic  
Mackenzie Mason  
Olivia Gatt

### 8:30 a.m.

Kallen Merrison  
Angela Denomme  
Stephen McIver  
Andrew Denomme

### 10:30 a.m.

Mauricio Rocha  
Valeria Rocha  
Patrick Rocha  
Mark Beukeboom  
Jacob Beukeboom

### 12:30 p.m.

Alex Gyenis  
Daniel Gyenis  
Bruce Maas  
Brennan Rae



*"Serving God With  
Gladness!"*

## This Week at St. Michael's

### Monday, January 9

- 1:00 pm—Faith Sharing Group—Former Cloak Room
- 7:00 pm—English Learning—Former Cloak Room

### Tuesday, January 10

- 4:00 pm—Property & Maintenance—Room D
- 7:00 pm—1st Communion Parents Meeting—Hall
- 7:15 pm—Social Justice—Room D
- 7:30 pm—New Horizons—Room E

### Wednesday, January 11

- 8:45 am—Exercise—Hall
- 9:30 am—Moms and Dads Group—Room D
- 7:00 pm—Youth Commission—Room D
- 7:00 pm—RCIA—Room E
- 8:00 pm—A.A.—Rooms B & C

### Wednesday, January 12

- 1:00 pm—Cards—Hall

### Friday, January 13

- 10:30 am—Exercise—Hall

### Sunday, January 15

- 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm—Teen Night—Hall

## Please Mark Your Calendars

CWL - no meeting in January  
Knights of Columbus - no meeting in January  
Baptismal Preparation - Jan 17 - 7:30 pm  
Finance Committee - Jan 19 - 3:30 pm  
Pastoral Council - Jan 19 - 7:30 pm  
African Caribbean Catholic Mass - Jan 22 - 2:30 pm

## Medaille Retreat House

Has many upcoming programs, retreats. For more information  
phone (519) 641-1379 or email medaille@csj.london.on.ca.



*All those who are sick, including:*

**Ryan O'Quinn, Lillian Inglis,  
Phil Shepherd, Kathleen Graham,  
& Maria Brevini**

*And all those who have died, including:*

**Jack Camara** father of Louis & John Camara  
**Wong Jim Ming** father of Vina Wong  
**Anthony Sperandeo** husband of Dorothy

## Land of St. Paul and St. John

Have you ever read the Letter of St. Paul or the Gospel of St. John and wondered about where did they proclaim this message about Jesus?

September 6-19, 2012 I will be acting Chaplain to a Group of Pilgrims, who are going to walk in the footsteps of St. John and St. Paul. We are going to visit Turkey and go to Istanbul, Cappadocia, Pamukkale, Kusadasi, Ismir and Ephesus. If you are interested in the details please contact Joan Bolt at 519-471-6373.

## Holy Family Retreat House - Oxley ON

For information on retreats at the Holy Family Retreat House  
please visit their web site at [www.holyfamilyrh.com](http://www.holyfamilyrh.com)  
or phone 519-738-6136.

**Young at Heart cards will start up again in 2012 on  
Thursday, January 12th at 1:00 pm**

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