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On Thanksgiving,
Give thanks to the Lord
for His many Blessings

THANKSGIVING APPEAL – Happy Thanksgiving to you and your families! As you contemplate support of this year's appeal, please remember that all of your gift remains here in the parish and goes directly to cover the operational costs, programs and committee support of St. Michael's. We are truly blessed to have such a vibrant and active parish life, and with such activity and commitment, there are considerable costs. During a year that has witnessed generous support for our parish home, we know that providing more may be a stretch. Thank you very much for your consideration. Have a blessed and joyous Thanksgiving weekend.

London Knights Ticket Draw! - St. Michael's would like to keep current our e-mail addresses for our parish families. This will hopefully become a more ecological way of keeping the parish aware of information about the goings on in the parish and the Diocese. You can e-mail the Parish office at stmichlon@dol.ca or call 519-433-6689 or drop by the office with your current email address. One entry per person. The date of the game is to be determined and the random draw will be held on Monday November 2, 2015.

This fall, Father Don will be leading a fascinating Bible study that takes you on a journey through the entire bible. It is 'The Bible Timeline-The Story of Salvation' by Jeff Cavins. Go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of scripture. See how the major people, places and events of the bible reveal the remarkable story of our Catholic faith. The program will start on Thurs Oct 22 and run for 24 weeks, every Thurs evening at 7:00 pm -except for the 3rd Thurs of each month. Each session will be a presentation followed by a led discussion. You are welcome to attend as you please. There is no fee. <http://evangelization.com/preview/program/the-bible-timeline-the-story-of-salvation?context=browse> for a preview.

Diocesan Thanksgiving Mass-All are invited to attend

From Bishop Dabrowski: This year dedicated to "Consecrated Life" gives us an opportunity for renewal in our service among the faithful for thanksgiving for the abundance of God's love. Sunday October 18th, 3 pm at St. Peter's Cathedral, London Celebration will be followed by a social with refreshments.

Aftercare for Bereaved Parishioners

Following the death of a loved one, many people struggle in silence to resume anything resembling their former lives. St. Michael's Parish recognizes the challenges faced by survivors of life changing losses and intends to introduce an initiative of Aftercare for those who may be interested. The intent is not to provide a prepackaged, time limited program, but one based on the needs of the participants. We propose a co-facilitated gathering of people who are journeying through the grief process in a spirit of mutual support. Our mission is to give voice to our inner loneliness and set the path of our grieving in a new direction.

If this initiative speaks to you as a participant, you may register by contacting the Parish Secretary (519-433-6689) with your name and contact information. You will be personally contacted with time, date and parish location for a mid October start-up.

Do you like to read? Is writing an interest of yours? Looking for a way to share your interest with the parish? The Newsletter Committee is actively seeking interested persons to join them in helping to edit and assemble the Parish Newsletter. Sharing news of all the ministries, outreach and events with our parish family is important in keeping everyone informed and engaged. If you have an interest in helping and your gifts can be shared with this committee, please contact the office and leave your name and contact information. Thank you!

Mass Attendance Count

Bishop Fabbro has asked the Parishes of the Diocese to have an annual mass count. On Oct 17 & 18, Oct 24 & 25, Oct. 31 & Nov 1, & Nov 7 & 8 you will see people counting the number of people in the pews. This assists us in recognizing the vibrancy of the Parish. It also helps us know the number of hosts to put out at each mass in order for those attending to be fed a consecrated host from the mass they attend.

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!

The Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place next May 14 and 15, 2016. Registration forms can be found in the main foyer of the parish and they are due to the parish office by Tues Nov 10. The parent & candidate meeting will be on **Tues Nov 3 from 7-9pm** in the hall.

Check Us Out on Facebook and Twitter!

For Youth Ministry updates, Catholic links and inspirational quotes, be sure to "Like" our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/sync.stm) and follow our Twitter account (@syncstm)



Knight's Table - Coming Events

Refundable Bottle and Can Drive - October 17 & 18, 2015
Proceeds for the Special Olympics Fund
Please bring in your bottles next weekend.



**ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH
REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE**

PRESENTS

**BUILDING BRIDGES, MAKING CONNECTIONS
INFORMATION NIGHT**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2015 AT 7 PM.

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH HALL
511 CHEAPSIDE ST. LONDON, N5Y3X5

ST. MICHAEL'S REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE WILL DISCUSS **HOW TO BEST ASSIST REFUGEES AND HOW YOU CAN HELP TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED
ALL WELCOME

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MAUREEN BEAMISH, TEL. 519 858 1790
OR EMAIL US AT REFUGEETEAM.STMICHAELS@GMAIL.COM

YANA Are you giving support to a person struggling to manage a mental illness? Come share your wisdom and resources, lighten your worries and deepen your faith. We will be meeting at 7pm the second Wed of the month; next meeting **Oct 14th** at St. Michael's. If you would like to chat to see if YANA is the support you are looking for, call Cathie at 519-850-0600

New Day A faith-based support group for people living with a mental illness. Come - receive and share in the compassion and strength of this welcoming group. We meet every Tues afternoon 1:30-3:00 pm at the Parish Office building of St. Peter's Basilica. If you wish further information call Cathie at 519-850-0600 or Theresa at 519-850-3627

Development & Peace Fall campaign asks us to take action on climate change. Pope Francis reminds us of our responsibility to act in his encyclical Laudato Si: "The pace of consumption, waste and environmental change has so stretched the planet's capacity that our contemporary lifestyle... can only precipitate catastrophes. The effects of this imbalance can only be reduced by our decisive action, here and now." Even small changes in your everyday life can make a big difference. To learn about how you can Create a Climate of Change visit devp.org/climateofchange. Be part of the Days of Action and Prayers for the Climate being organized all across Canada. All parishioners are invited to join the London Deanery in an evening of prayer and fellowship at a Vigil Prayer for the Environment on Tuesday Oct 20, 2015 at 7:00 pm at Christ the King Chapel, Wemple Building, 266 Epworth Avenue. (For free parking, please say that you are coming to Church)

OCTOBER 11TH, 2015 TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 12 - 10:00 am Thanksgiving

Sophie Balko requested by Jean Vandenberghe
Vincenzo Pisani requested by Doris Barrett
Shirley Wunder requested by The dodds Family

Tuesday, October 13 - 12:00 noon

Virgilio Lopes requested by Maria Juliett
Leo Schmida requested by Doris Montag
Bryan Simmers requested by Don & Mary Kay

Wednesday, October 14 - 8:00 am

Leo & Cecelia Meidinger requested by Doug Meidinger
Intentions of Kelly requested by Nick & Candace Schiestel
John Clifford requested by Margaret Jasinski

Thursday, October 15 - 12:00 noon

Cathy Palmieri requested by Tony Palmieri
Marianne McLaughlin
Dixi Cooray requested by Alex, Gem, Menaka, Davin & Ashanti

Friday, October 16 - 8:00 am

Deceased Mambers of the McLaughlin Family
Sofia Paiva requested by The Paiva Family
In Thanksgiving requested by Theresa Batucan

Saturday, October 17 - 9:00 am

Tony Michienzi requested by The Machienzi Family
In Thanksgiving
Bryan Simmers requested by Terry & Fran Craig

October 11th, 2015 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

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



All those who are sick, including:

**Gabriel Paiva, Greg Giesen, Nick Greeson,
Jane Oreskvic, Steve Morgan, Fr. David Butler
Jane Tyers & Stefan Konigsberger**

And all those who have died, including:

Lucille Roffey mother of Mike & mother-in-law of Joan Roffey
John Hoevenaars husband of Antoinette Hoevenaars
Margaret Waters
Youngha Huh mother of Giju Han

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 Oct 13/15, Nov 10/15 & Dec 8/15.

New Diocese Database - This spring, the Diocese instituted a new database. We have been working with them to help to match the extensive needs of a parish and what they want a final version to be. This has been quite a challenging process. As we begin mailings to our parishioners starting with the Thanksgiving Appeal this month, there may be some differences to how items may be addressed. These might be spelling, salutations, or address issues. We invite all to be in contact with us if there are concerns. We welcome address, telephone changes and of course encourage email addresses. Please note that with this database change there are no changes to confidentiality protection. Thank you for your continued understanding.

Come and See Weekend-St. Peter's Seminary, London invites you to a discernment retreat for men 17-55 years old considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a firsthand experience at the life of a seminarian, spiritual helps for discernment, and an opportunity to meet current students and faculty. The weekend is scheduled for Oct 23-25. Contact vocations@dol.ca or 1-888-548-9649 for more info.

PARKING-For the school year please remember our parking arrangement here at St. Michael's. Parking during the week is available ONLY along the fence line. All spots beside the church and against the School building are for school staff ONLY. Thank you for continuing to be courteous and respectful.



Sunday Collection

September 27th, 2015

Regular offertory \$7,055
Pre-Authorized Gift \$3,178
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.

This Week at St. Michael's

Monday, October 12 - Thanksgiving

- Parish office Closed

Tuesday, October 13

- 10:00 am to 12:00 noon—Art Club—Hall
- 10:00 am to 12:00 noon—Moms Group—Room E
- 4:00 pm—Property & Maintenance —Library Room
- 7:00 pm—1st Reconciliation Parents' Meeting—Hall
- 7:15 pm—Social Justice Meeting—Room D

Wednesday, October 14

- 8:45 am—Exercise—Hall
- 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm—RCIA—Room E
- 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm—Youth Commission—Room D
- 7:00 pm—Rosary Guild—Hall
- 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm—YANA—Library Room
- 8:00 pm—AA—Room B&C

Thursday, October 15

- 1:00 pm—Cards—Hall
- 3:30 pm—Finance Committee—Library Room
- 7:30 pm—Pastoral Parish Council (PPC)—Room E

Friday, October 16

- 10:30—Exercise—Hall

Saturday, October 17

- 4:30 pm to 6:15 pm—Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive—Church Parking Lot

Sunday, October 18

- 8:30 am to 1:45 pm—Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive—Church Parking Lot
- 1:45 pm to 2:45 pm—Sacramental Preparation—Room D
- 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm—Teen Night—Hall

Fall Newsletter-A reminder that the parish newsletter for fall is now available! This edition is another valuable and lively update on life at St. Michael's. It also contains the Annual Report. Please pick up your copy after Mass or from the office during the week. Remember that the full edition is available on-line from the parish website: <http://www.stmichaels.dioceseoflondon.ca>

St. Michael's Parish is embarking on a Health & Safety initiative. It will cover various aspects of training and preparedness to best equip the parish to respond to various situations. One of the specific program components will include the installation of an AED (automated external defibrillator) in our church. **Please note:** we have re-scheduled the dates of the training. The parish office will have very limited services on November 17th as we have a training day for the staff. The training for committed and involved parishioners will be held on Saturday November 21st. If you have a sincere interest in taking this training and would physically be able to offer assistance in an emergency, please contact the office to register no later than November 7th.

Dear friends of St. Michael's Art Club- This is just a friendly reminder, that we are again "creating an art" of your choice, every Tuesday at our church hall from 10:00 till 12:00. Feel free to bring with you also your friends, naturally beginners are welcome. We will be pleased to help you using whatever medium you like, pencil, choke, acrylic or oil to explore your own art dreams. Hope to see you there for 2 hours of uplifting fun.

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