



EAST WINDSOR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

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Sunday, February 11, 2024

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

One of the essential aspects of our discipleship that over the years I have come to understand and appreciate more fully is the fact that no matter what, God always chooses us. 32 years of hearing confessions has taught me that so many of us are so hard on ourselves and have trouble truly embracing the fact that Jesus loves us unconditionally. It is not dependent on our list of good acts versus our sins. It has nothing to do with whether we are worthy or unworthy. In fact, it has nothing to do with us at all. It has everything to do with God's eternal plan that His Son came to reveal to everyone, a plan of love and mercy.

That's why our Gospel is so important today. The leper asks Jesus, "If you choose, you can make me well." Jesus responds with an emphatic "I do choose, be made well." Let that sink into our hearts and minds every single day: Jesus will always choose for us and our healing and our well being. Always!

Lent begins this week. Please note we will have two masses on **Ash Wednesday**: 9:15 am at Our Lady of the Atonement along with the children of L A Desmarais School; and an evening one at St. John Vianney at 7 pm. Ash Wednesday is a universal day of fast and abstinence from meat. Please take advantage of the Lenten prayer materials available at the doors of the churches.

UPDATE ON FR. JIM: The knee surgery was successful and he has started his recovery process. He is thankful to everyone for all your prayers.

Pastoral Team

Pastor:

Fr. Rob Rocheleau

Associate Pastor:

Fr. Jim Higgins

Pastoral Minister:

Rachelle Leslie

Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry:

Maria Mollica

Priest Chaplains to St. Anthony:

Fr. Barnabas Kiss OFM & Fr. Angelus Ligeti OFM

Mass Schedule

Saturday

5 pm Our Lady of the Atonement

5 pm St. John Vianney

Sunday

8:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

9:00 am St. John Vianney

10:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

11:00 am mass St. John Vianney

The mass for Hungarian Community is on hold
for time being

Sacrament of Reconciliation

1st Saturday 11 am - noon @ SJV

3rd Saturday 11 am - noon @ OLA

or by appointment

Baptism

Contact the Pastoral Minister to discuss baptism.

Marriage

Contact the office at least eight months in advance.

Marriage preparation is required.

Sacrament of the Sick

Communal Celebrations Seasonally.

Individually anytime - Speak to one of the priests.

Office Hours

Monday: 9 am-3 pm

Tuesday-Friday: 9 am-4pm

Vocations Calendar Please pray for...	Mass Intentions
Tuesday, February 13 9 am @ SJV Fr. Glen Ball	Ints. of Marie McKenna- Kay MacLellan Donna Masse -husband Gary & Family Ida Patella -son, Italo Patella & Family Sonia Coletti -Silvana & Italo Patella Keith Wilbur (5th Ann.) - wife, Claire & Family
Wednesday, February 14 9:15 am @ OLA Ash Wednesday Day of Fast and Abstinence from meat 7 pm @ SJV	Ash Wednesday Parish & L.A. Desmarais School Jean Claude Begin -Carol Beausoleil Antonio Rodrigues- Baltazar & Maria Amelia John Miller (27th Ann.) - Paula & Family Jean Hind -Bonnie & Family Ernest Cabagay -A Friend Darbara Hebert - Catholic Women's League Ernest Lalonde -Richard Levesque Hank Lalonde -Richard Levesque Jane Rogers- Herminigildo Lamug Jr. -Joy Deluna Petra Dumlao -Joy Deluna Souls in Purgatory -F.O.S.S.
Thursday, February 15 9 am @ SJV Fr. Philip Joseph	Bill Couvion -Sandra Couvion Esperanza Valerio -C. Tay & Family Dak Saba -wife, Juliette
Friday, February 16 9 am @ OLA Fr. Clare Coleman SJV: 6 pm Exposition of the Eucharist 7 pm Stations of the Cross	Ints. of Michelle Cannon for Good Health & Prosperity- Dave & Theresa Cullen Evaristo Fregonese -Onorina & Family Jacinata Takio Makiling & Family- Susan, Lina & Jun Edoardo Teany Makiling & Family- Susan, Lina & Jun Harvey Seney Sr.- Harvey & Nilda Seney Bruno DiMambro- John Canestrano
Saturday, February 17 5 pm @ OLA & SJV Lynn Tibor, Youth Minister	Intentions of the Parishioners
Sunday, February 18 1st Sunday of Lent 8:30 & 10:30 am @ OLA 9:30 am @ SJV **Note Mass Time** Den. Jose Viveiras	Intentions of the Parishioners

LENT BEGINS FEBRUARY 14TH



Ash Wednesday Schedule:

2 masses

9:15 am **Mass** at Our Lady of the Atonement along with L A Desmarais School

7 pm **Mass** at St. John Vianney

Please note we have 3 other school liturgies that day so we are limited to one morning mass and one evening mass. Plan to attend as your schedule allows at either church.



No Youth Group on Tuesday, February 13th due to the Parish Family Pancake Supper.

See you next week!

UPCOMING NURSING HOME MASSES 2 pm

February 13 @ Heron Terrace

February 27 @ Aspen Lake

Volunteers should arrive at 1:30 pm in order to greet the residents. Please check the doors as you enter for any masking requirements.

FIRST RECONCILIATION CELEBRATION



Our preparation classes are now complete and our students will celebrate first reconciliation:

Tues. Feb. 20th 4-6pm at SJV;

Thurs. Feb. 22 4-6 pm at OLA.

Congratulations to all those receiving this sacrament for the very first time.



RECONCILIATION

Saturday, February 17 @ OLA

11 am to noon

Saturday, March 2 @ SJV

11 am to noon

We can also accommodate requests following weekday mass depending on the day's schedule.

There is a Time for Everything under Heaven...

Let us all pray for all those who are in need of healing, at home, nursing homes or in hospital, and all those who care for them. Let us pray also for our deceased parishioners and family members who have died:

Eileen Nikita, Sally Paquette, Pamela Pickle, Rudy Querin & Norm Renaud

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

May the Risen Lord bring peace and comfort to those who mourn.

FYI: TAX RECEIPTS: CRA requires us to have receipts finished and mailed out/distributed by the **end of February**. Receipts are in process and will be available for pick up at masses **in the parish halls on the weekend of February 17/18**. Those not picked up will be mailed out. Thank you.



PARISH MISSION PROJECTS

Thank you for the support of our annual parish mission appeal last weekend. It is greatly appreciated. Donations can still be made over the next few weekends and then we will be able to get the funds to our partners. Donations can also be made year round using the green mission envelopes found at the back of the churches. Let us continue to keep them in our prayers.

FUNERAL SERVERS NEEDED

We are in need of a few more people willing to act as funeral servers. We have many funerals in our Family of Parishes and a few extra helpers would be wonderful. Servers are called as needed and minister at both churches. If you would like to get involved in this special ministry please contact Rachelle: ext. 30 or rlslelie@dol.ca Training is provided.

Update on St. Anthony of Padua Hungarian Community:

I am happy to announce that we are able to resume mass with this community after a long time. It has been challenging with COVID, the border closure and some other wrinkles. I met with Fr. Barnabas and Fr. Angelus last week along with the Vicar General Fr. Comiskey to discern a way forward. With the closure of St. Vincent de Paul, we struggled to find a way to accommodate a suitable mass time and the schedule of the Friars and their parish in Detroit. With our new schedule at St. John Vianney with one Sunday morning mass, we are able to offer a mass for St. Anthony at a more accessible time for the community and the Friars.

We will start on Sunday March 17th at 11:30 am and have planned for the 3rd Sunday of the next four months for the time being: March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16.

I am thankful for the patience of this community and the willingness of the Friars to continue to assist as their present pastoral responsibilities in Detroit allow them.

What's Happening

Tues. Feb 13 @ 4-6:30 pm	OLA	Parish Family Pancake Supper (Atonement Family Centre)
Tues. Feb 20 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	SSVDP Mtg. (St. Francis)
Tues. Feb 20 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Parish Family Youth Group
Tues. Feb 20 @ 4-6 pm	SJV	First Reconciliation (Church)
Thurs. Feb 22 @ 4-6 pm	OLA	First Reconciliation (Church)

Youth Ministry Invites our Parish Family to our Shrove Tuesday Pancake & Sausage Supper



**Tuesday, February 13th,
4:00-6:30 pm**

At Our Lady of the Atonement,
2940 Forest Glade Drive
(Atonement Family Centre)

Adults \$10.00 Children \$5.00 (8 and under)

All Proceeds to support Street Help


All are welcome!

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS-TODAY

Sunday, February 11th 2-3 pm @ Our Lady of the Atonement. This monthly time has been set aside for our Family of Parishes to pray for the children and youth of our Diocese so that they can hear and respond to the Lord's call. We all must play a part in actively praying for vocations. You would be amazed how the Lord works in our hearts when we set aside this quiet time to pray and worship before the Blessed Sacrament. Let us pray that the Lord of the harvest will send labourers into the harvest.

Sleepwalk Receipts: If you made a donation to the Sleepwalk by way of OLA St. Vincent de Paul conference and did not receive a receipt please contact Linda at 519-253-7481.

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