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Sunday, February 19, 2023

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

A message from Fr. Rob....

Over the last few weeks we have listened to the words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount. Today on this last Sunday before we begin the Season of Lent, our readings once again push the boundaries of our discipleship. I recall that when visiting the Gr. 12 classes at St. Joseph's High School to talk about moral issues, I would begin by writing the word "respect" on the board. This is at the heart of our readings today. St. Paul reminds us that we are the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. We are to reverence the presence of God in each person. Moses recounts in the Leviticus version of the 10 Commandments our starting point: "You shall be holy for the Lord is holy." Our discipleship is all about growing in holiness.

The journey we are about to embark upon for Lent is one in which we are desiring to grow in holiness. Jesus demands we go further. He challenges us today to embrace respect, reverence and reconciliation. Our world is in dire need of all three of these things. There is war, conflict, misunderstanding, prejudice, nastiness, mistrust and the list goes on. Again we are invited to be salt for the earth and light for the world.

May we pray for one another as we begin this journey on Wednesday. Take note of the numerous masses being offered on that day. It is a day of fasting and abstinence as we call upon the Lord for the grace of conversion. We have included the insert of our Lenten program again so keep it handy.



"Let the serenity of your spirit shine through your face. Let the joy of your mind burst forth. Let words of thanks break from your lips." **St. Peter Damian**

"Repent and believe in the Gospel." **from the Liturgy of Ash Wednesday**

The office is closed on Monday for Family Day

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

New Mass Schedule (Temporary times due to COVID-19):

Saturday

5 pm Our Lady of the Atonement

5 pm St. John Vianney

Sunday

8:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement for
St. Vincent de Paul Parish

9:00 am St. John Vianney

10:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

The mass for Hungarian Community is on hold
for time being

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available by appointment only at this time.

Call the office to arrange a time.

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 FOR THE WEEK
Tuesday, February 21 9 am @ SJV Fr. Cecil Nunez	Bruno DiMambro- Phil & Diane Arpino Fulton Roy -Leo Marchand Eleanor Trementi -Tullio Tremonti
Wednesday, February 22 <u>OLA Ash Wednesday Masses</u> 9:15 am @ <u>OLA</u> Day of fast and abstinence 12 pm (Noon) @ <u>OLA</u> 7 pm @ <u>OLA</u> SJV Ash Wednesday Masses 12 pm (noon) @ <u>SJV</u> 7 pm @ <u>SJV</u>	<u>OLA Ash Wednesday Masses</u> Parish Mass along with students & staff of H.J. Lassaline School Simone Mellat-Bonita Elahee Kearns Virginia Benedet--Leo & Family Sr. Mary St. Louis-Sisters of St. Joseph Parish Mass along with students & staff of L.A. Desmarais School Dak Saba-wife Juliette Bruno DiMambro- Josephine Canestraro Noela Alexander-Kay MacLellan Kazimar Cigan-His Family Louise & Martin Copot-Their Family Sandra Nardone-Her Family <u>SJV Ash Wednesday Masses</u> St. John Vianney School: will be <u>staff and students only</u> due to their large population and no room left in the church Jane Rogers- John Farkus- John & Virginia Soave Helen Janisse- Ed & Gloria Dada & Family Margaret Dufour-Friend Antonino, Giuseppa,Vito Gucciardo- Vincenzo, Stella Gucciardo & Family Antonino & Lina Sparacino- Vincenzo, Stella Gucciardo & Family
Thursday, February 23 9 am @ SJV <i>St. Polycarp</i> Mrs. Margaret Olszewski Pastoral Minister	Tom Zakoor -Barb Morris Joan Cueter -Sr. Yvonne Parent Stanley Winters-Sunday Coffee Group
Friday, February 24 9 am @ OLA Fr. Ronaldo Tagines	Sr. Mary St. Louis -Hayes Family Araceli Dela Cruz -Her Family Keith Campbell -Tony Simone
Saturday, February 25 5 pm @ OLA & SJV Mrs. Kim Bornais Coord. of Youth Ministry	Intentions of the Parishioners
Sunday, February 26 First Sunday of Lent 8:30 & 10:30 am @ OLA 9:00 am @ SJV Mrs. Maria Mollica Coord. of Youth Ministry	Intentions of the Parishioners



FAMILY OF PARISHES

SHROVE TUESDAY

PANCAKE SUPPER

Tuesday, February 21st

hosted by Youth Ministry in the Atonement Family Centre.

4-6:30 pm;

Adults: \$8

Children 6 & under \$3


Come and enjoy pancakes and sausage. Proceeds will be given to Street Help in their ministry of serving the homeless.

EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

We have seen the devastation in Turkiye and Syria because of the recent earthquakes. There has been tremendous loss of life and many continue to suffer. We pray for those who have died and for those who are struggling to survive.

We will forward donations received to our Catholic partners working in the area via Development and Peace-Caritas Canada, CNEWA & Jesuit Relief Agency.

Mark an envelope with your name, address, parish, envelope # and return over the next few weeks. Cheques are payable to the parish. Thank you for answering this call for help.




PALMS FROM LAST YEAR

Feel free to bring them in over the next few weeks and we will take care of disposing of them. If you have a fireplace they can be burned in there or in a backyard fire pit as well. Palm Sunday is March 25/26.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Will be available Saturday, March 4th 11 am to noon at St. John Vianney. It is also available as time permits during the week after daily mass as sometimes we end up with Saturday funerals and have to cancel. Check with one of the priests after mass.



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:

Suzanne Belanger, Kim Hamelin, Jeannette Lefaive

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.

What's Happening

Mon. Feb. 20 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Food Preparation Course
Tues. Feb. 21 @ 4-6:30 pm	OLA	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper (Atonement Centre)
Tues. Feb. 21 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	SSVDP Meeting (St. Francis)
Thurs. Feb. 23 @ 1 pm	SJV	Faith Formation (Vianney Hall)
Thurs. Feb. 23 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Faith Formation (St. Francis)
Mon. Feb. 27 @ 10 am	OLA	Food Handlers Exam (St. Francis Hall)
Tues. Feb. 28 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Parish Family Youth Group
Wed. Mar. 1 @ 6:30 pm	SJV	1st Eucharist Class (Vianney Hall)
Wed. Mar. 1 @ 7:30 pm	SVDP	Prayer Group (St. Francis)
Thurs. Mar. 2 @ 1 pm	SJV	Faith Formation (Vianney Hall)
Thurs. Mar. 2 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	Faith Formation (St. Francis)
Thurs. Mar. 2 @ 6:30 pm	OLA	1st Eucharist Class (Atonement Centre)
Fri. Mar. 3 @ 2 pm-4 pm	SJV	World Day of Prayer
Sat. Mar. 4 11 am -noon	OLA	Confessions in Church



SJV Pre-authorized Donation users

FYI: we had a glitch in the system in January that was just discovered at month end. It appears the file we sent to the bank was received but because of the glitch no action was taken. Thanks to those who noticed your monthly donation was not taken out and let us know. The problem has been fixed and you will notice **additional** activity in February. Don't panic! This is just adjusting for your missed January donations. Sorry for the inconvenience.

The Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board is seeking input to its 2023-24 Budget Development through a budget survey which has been posted on the Board's website at www.wecdsb.on.ca. Interested stakeholders are invited to provide comments using the survey. Additional information and survey instructions are provided on the Board's website. Survey submissions are encouraged by Friday, March 3, 2023."

PREPARATION FOR 1ST RECONCILIATION & 1ST EUCHARIST

Congratulations to the children who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this past week. It is always a joyful moment as they experience God's love and mercy. After a short break, classes will resume on Wednesday, March 1 (SJV) and Thursday, March 2 (OLA) as we begin learning about the Eucharist.

**Windsor-Essex Catholic District School Board
Kindergarten Registration www.wecdsb.on.ca
Tuesday, February 21st to Friday March 3rd, 2023**

**Open House/Evening Registration
at your local Catholic School.
Thursday February 23rd from 5:00pm to 7:00pm**

Requirements: Birth Certificate, Baptismal Certificate,
Health Card and Immunization Record

Junior Kindergarten:

Children must be 4 years of age by December 31, 2023

Senior Kindergarten:

Children must be 5 years of age by December 31, 2023



World Day of Prayer- All Welcome to Share

When: Friday, March 3, 2023 at 2 pm

Sponsor Country: Taiwan

Where: St. John Vianney Parish

385 Dieppe St. Windsor



Family Day Free Skates: The Diocesan Youth, Young Adult & Family Ministry office will be hosting a Regional Family Free Skate event on Monday, February 20 at Tecumseh Arena from 10:00 am-11:30 am for Windsor and area. There is no cost to this family fun skate.

Please note: Children must wear helmets at all times.

Please register at: <https://dol.ca/deanery-family-events>.

LENTEN PRACTICES

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstaining from meat. This applies to those 18-59 for fasting and 14 onward for abstaining from meat. Of course those burdened by illness or with chronic health conditions are not required to follow these prescripts. These penitential practices help us to acquire a spirit of detachment from the things of this world. They help us to think less of our own needs and desires and provide a focus for a spirit of sacrifice. Of course many find ways to incorporate other days of fasting throughout Lent as a spiritual practice.

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