



# EAST WINDSOR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

Our Lady of the Atonement | St. Anthony of Padua | St. John Vianney

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January 11, 2026 Feast of the Baptism of the Lord  
Message from Fr. Rob...

Our Christmas Season comes to close with this weekend's celebration. Jesus begins His public ministry by arriving at the Jordan to receive baptism by John. Of course Jesus does not need to be baptized. John was calling people to repentance and offering forgiveness of sin. He in fact tries to discourage Jesus and says Jesus should baptize him instead. Of course Jesus has a plan. He tells John to let it be for now to fulfill all righteousness. That means, God has a plan.

As the baptism takes place, the Spirit of God is seen and a voice of approval and encouragement comes from heaven. Jesus is firmly taking up the mission that the Father has entrusted Him with for the salvation of all. Remember at Christmas that Mary and Joseph were told to name the baby Jesus-the One who saves.

The gift of baptism saves us from the stain of original sin and prepares us for the life of grace. We should always be mindful of our baptism and it's great importance. Saying yes to the Lord involves putting aside our own plans and trusting in God's plan for each one of us.

Let us pray for the children receiving baptism this year as well as our catechumens who are preparing for the Easter sacraments. We also have some high school students who have been meeting each week with some teachers and who are discerning God's plan for them as members of the church. All good news indeed.



"Belief and faith are proved by works, not by simply saying that one believes, but by real actions, which are kept up, and by a heart burning with love."  
*St. John Chrysostom*

## Pastoral Team

### **Pastor:**

Fr. Rob Rocheleau x 22

### **Associate Pastor:**

Fr. Mark Poulin x 24

### **Coordinator of Youth & Family Ministry:**

Maria Mollica x 23

### **Business Manager:**

John Sutton x 31

### **Priest Chaplains to St. Anthony:**

Fr. Barnabas Kiss OFM & Fr. Angelus Ligeti OFM

### **General Office:**

Robin Orosz x 21

## Mass Schedule

### **Saturday**

5 pm Our Lady of the Atonement

5 pm St. John Vianney

### **Sunday**

8:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

9:30 am St. John Vianney

10:30 am Our Lady of the Atonement

11:30 am St. Anthony of Padua Hungarian

@ SJV, 3rd Sunday of the month

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

1st Saturday 11 am - noon @ SJV

3rd Saturday 11 am - noon @ OLA

or by appointment

### **Baptism**

Contact the office 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 - Friday 9 am - 4 pm

<b>Vocations Calendar</b> Please pray for...	 <b>Mass Intentions</b>
<b>Tuesday, January 13</b> 9 am @ SJV  <b>Fr. Michael Parent</b>	<b>Morrie Gallagher (1st Ann.)-</b> wife Jean & Family <b>Giuseppe Patella</b> -son, Italo & Family <b>Giuseppe Mollica</b> --Family <b>Bernardo &amp; Rosina Ceccacci</b> - Family
<b>Wednesday, January 14</b> 9 am @ OLA  <b>Jenn Steward</b> Pastoral Minister	<b>Vincenzo &amp; Rosaria Scalia-</b> daughter-in-law, Angela & Family <b>Pauline Grech-</b> Tony & Emma Ellul & Family <b>Jack Oslovcan.</b> -Family <b>Bill Lattimer</b> -Donna Mae Finn <b>Salvatore DiGiorgi-</b> Wife, Maria DiGiorgi & Family <b>Marcie Stiers</b> -husband, Mark
<b>Thursday, January 15</b> 9 am @ SJV  <b>Fr. Jude Ogbenna C.S.Sp.</b>	<b>Ints. of Andrew Tay</b> -Cora Tay <b>Joyce Rocheleau</b> -- Denise & Jack Morneau <b>Souls in Purgatory</b> -F.O.S.S. <b>Pablo &amp; Petra Dumlao</b> -Their Family <b>Hermiginildo Jr.-Anacleta Lamug-</b> Their Family <b>Esperanza Valerio</b> -Cora Tay
<b>Friday, January 16</b> 9 am @ OLA  <b>Dcn. Thomas MacLeod</b>	<b>Ints. of Caroline Ngui</b> -Ely & Family <b>Rosa Bannano</b> -Francesca Adamo <b>Daniel Laporte</b> -Georgette Laporte <b>Darla MacMaster &amp; James Manning-</b> Sandy, Kendall & Imelda <b>Nicanora Magat</b> -Her Family <b>Ronald Johns</b> -Bill & Sue Beck
<b>Saturday, January 17</b> 5 pm @ SJV & @ OLA <i>St. Anthony of the Desert</i>  <b>Fr. Martin Nyland</b>	<b>Intentions of the Parishioners</b>
<b>Sunday, January 18</b> <i>2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time</i> 8:30 & 10:30 am @ OLA 9:30 am @ SJV <b>Dcn. Reginald Quesnel</b>	<b>Intentions of the Parishioners</b>

**1st Reconciliation & Eucharist**

Information was sent home with the children in Gr. 2 at our 3 parish schools. For those who attend other schools-French Catholic, public, out of area, please pick up the information at the back of the churches or contact Maria: mmollica@dol.ca, 519-735-6023 ext. 23.

**Parent Meetings THIS WEEK!**

Wed. Jan. 14 6:30 pm @ SJV in church  
Thurs. Jan 15 6:30 pm @ OLA in church  
Attend the meeting which suits your schedule and bring the completed form.

**THANK YOU...**

To our offertory counting teams who were kept busy this Christmas season with all the extra masses. We appreciate your dedication every week.

**UPCOMING NURSING HOME MASSES 2 pm**

**January 13 @ Heron Terrace**

**January 20 @ Aspen Lake**

**February 3 @ Riverside Place**

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

**NEW**  **Sunday Offertory Envelopes 2026**

Thanks for picking up so many of the 2026 envelopes. **Please note:** numbers change every year. **Please recycle 2025 & earlier envelopes. Use only 2026 envelopes and if you could for the first few weeks put your name and address on it. That would be of great assistance.**

If you do not use envelopes presently and would like a set, please contact Lamis at ext. 35. She can also assist if you would like to sign up for the pre-authorized giving. This is a simple way of making your donation.

*The Lord will bless his people with peace.*

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
11 am-noon  
  
**Sat. January 17 @ OLA**  
**Saturday, February 7 @ SJV**

**St. Anthony of Padua Hungarian**  
**Sun. January 18 @ SJV @ 11:30 am followed by parish meeting.**

**Liturgy:** we will refrain from offering the Precious Blood until the flu season has tamped down. Be sure to wash your hands, stay home if feeling ill and let's keep one another healthy. Sanitizer units are at all entrances.

***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:*

***Ryan Arquero, Gary Brown, Chris Goetz, Abboud Mamari, Shirley Pfaff***  
*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.*

## VOCATIONS

Our Diocesan Vocations Director is hard at work in his role of promoting vocations and journeying with those who are discerning God's call.

### EVENTS:

***Open House Discernment Night*** on Friday, Jan. 30th at 7 pm at Immaculate Heart/St. Michael's Parish in Windsor. Time for prayer, adoration and discussion. Contact Fr. Rob Renaud at [vocations@dol.ca](mailto:vocations@dol.ca) or speak to Fr. Mark or Fr. Rob.

***Jeremy Day:*** for young men grades 8-12 to spend a day at St. Peter's Seminary: Saturday, Feb. 7 10 am to 3 pm.

***Come and See Weekend*** for those aged 17+ who are considering a priestly vocation and possible application to the seminary.

For any of these events contact Fr. Rob Renaud [vocations@dol.ca](mailto:vocations@dol.ca) or speak to Fr. Mark or Fr. Rob.

We all need to pray actively for priestly vocations in our Diocese. We are critically short of priests and the next few years are crucial. We are grateful for the international priests who have come to this mission land to serve. But we also need our young people to respond to God's call.



### CWL-OLA

They have resumed the sale of chicken pot pies on Mondays in the Atonement Family Centre. Sales take place 1-3 pm. There are no sales on holiday Mondays. They ladies are grateful for your continued support.

## PARISH MISSIONS

We have received notes of thanks from our Mission partners for the support we offered in 2025 -over \$12,000. They are grateful for our prayers and support. Our annual appeal is the first weekend of February (Feb. 1st). Donation envelopes are in the offertory boxes or can be found at the back of the churches year-round.

## PARISH COUNCIL

We are in need of three new members. The council assists the pastoral team in identifying the pastoral needs of our Family of Parishes and in helping to find ways to strengthen the faith life of all of our parishioners. While members are drawn from a particular parish where they worship, all members serve the entire Family. Members should be open-minded, able to see the big picture, have a solid and optimistic hope in the mission of the church and dedicated to faith and ministry.

We need one member from St. John Vianney and two members from Our Lady of the Atonement.

Submit to Fr. Rob via email ([rmgr@dol.ca](mailto:rmgr@dol.ca)) or drop off to office or give to him at church a brief bio outlining what gifts you can bring to this council to serve our Family of Parishes. Council will follow a discernment process to engage new members. Deadline is Wednesday, January 14th.



## FUNERAL SERVER MINISTRY

We have a lot of funerals in our Family of Parishes. We would like to add a few more servers to the number we already have so that we have more people available to assist in this important ministry. Servers are called upon to assist at **both** churches as the need arises. Training is provided.

There will be a short meeting and training gathering for any new people interested as well as our seasoned servers. This will be on ***Tuesday, January 27th following the 9 am mass at St. John Vianney.*** The serving procedures are the same at both churches. If you would like to join this ministry please contact Robin in the office and plan to join us at the gathering. We are grateful to these ministers who provide this important outreach to our grieving families. Their prayerful presence is appreciated by the families.

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