



EAST WINDSOR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

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March 1, 2026 Second Sunday of Lent Message from Fr. Rob...

As we continue our Lenten journey, we are reminded to keep our eyes on the Cross. St. Paul encourages us: "Join with me in suffering for the Gospel, relying on the power of God..." These 40 days are meant to be a sort of spiritual ordeal that will test us but that will ultimately help us to grow in holiness and faithfulness. Along the way we must take advantage of the gifts of grace that come our way which are meant to strengthen us.

Jesus knew that the disciples would face many obstacles as He prepared them for the task of continuing His mission. By inviting them to experience the Transfiguration, He was giving them a moment of grace and insight. We all need these moments to help us to see God's plans.

RITE OF ELECTION: This weekend we celebrate this Rite with our catechumens. In this Rite the church elects (chooses) them to receive the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter. Let us continue to pray for them in these special days of spiritual growth: **William Layman, Davor Srsen & Jerome Williams.**"

MINI MISSION: Please join us for 2 days of prayer that will help us to grow spiritually this Lent. Fr. Gary Goyeau will lead us on two evenings on Peace and Hope. Join us for mass each morning followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all day. The graces that flow from adoring the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament are innumerable. See the insert for more details.



"Virtues are formed by prayer. Prayer preserves temperance. Prayer suppresses anger. Prayer prevents emotions of pride and envy. Prayer draws into the soul the Holy Spirit and raises a person to heaven."
St. Ephrem the Syrian

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

| Vocations Calendar Please pray for... |  Mass Intentions |
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| Tuesday, March 3 9 am @ SJV Fr. John Pirt | Teresa Ferrari- daughter, Silvana & Family. Fred Blain-Marie-Anne Knapp Souls in Purgatory-F.O.S.S. |
| Wednesday, March 4 9 am @ OLA Dcn. Paul James | Ints. of Eric & Nina Exaltacion- Yousif & Karma Zoma-Their Family John Rocheleau Sr. -Barb Fitzgerald Giuseppe Mollica (14th Ann.)-Family Dino Pergolesi-His Sons Roman Halitsky-Bill & Sue Beck |
| Thursday, March 5 9 am @ SJV Dcn. Andrew Alway | Mary Bernard (10th Ann)-- Mary Ellen Bernard Grondin Charles Zichichi-wife, Theresa & Family Darbara Hebert-Dolores Rice |
| Friday, March 6 9 am @ OLA followed by Exposition of the Eucharist until 11 am <i>Lenten Devotions @ SJV:</i> 6 pm Adoration 6-6:30 pm Confessions 7 pm Stations of the Cross Fr. Phil Guimaraes | Pamela Miller-Paula & Family John Rocheleau Sr.-- Don & Sheila Petrozzi Mike Ganley (2nd Ann.)-Family Don Kearns-wife, Bonita Gene & Gerry Dalton- Dan & Joan Soulliere Leo & Dorothy Soulliere- Dan & Joan Soulliere |
| Saturday, March 7 5 pm @ SJV & @ OLA St. Perpetua & St. Felicity Fr. Chris Gillespie | Intentions of the Parishioners |
| Sunday, March 8 3rd Sunday of Lent 8:30 & 10:30 am @ OLA 9:30 am @ SJV Fr. Fred Howard-Smith | Intentions of the Parishioners |

UPCOMING NURSING HOME MASSES 2 pm
March 10 @ Heron Terrace
March 17 @ Aspen Lake
April 7 @ Riverside Place
Volunteers should arrive by 1:30 pm in order to greet the residents. Please check the doors as you enter for any masking requirements.

 **Family of Parishes Youth Group**
Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Atonement Family Centre. For children in Gr. 3-8. A warm welcome to all the kids of our Family of Parishes to join up and grow in discipleship.

Our Lenten journey
Works of Mercy & Love
Suggested Lenten donations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Food Cupboards:
3rd Sunday of Lent March 7/8:
Canned meat, tuna, soup, pork & beans, canned vegetables, canned tomatoes, canned potatoes, Mr. Noodles, Sidekick Noodles & Rice
LENTE DVD SERIES:
COFFEE AND CONVERSION
Wednesdays in Lent following the 9 am morning mass at OLA. Seven Deadly Sins: Seven Lively Virtues.
This week March 4: Envy & Admiration
Each session will be about 45 minutes-hour. Join us for coffee and conversion.

FYI: All remaining tax receipts not picked up at mass were mailed out on Monday, February 23rd.

St. Anthony of Padua
Hungarian Mass
at 11:30 am at SJV
March 15, April 19
& May 17

Confessions
11 am-noon
Sat., Mar 7 @ SJV
Sat., Mar 21 @ OLA & SJV

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST



Congratulations to the children who celebrated their first reconciliation this past week. May they always treasure this gift of mercy.

Preparation now begins for first communion and the classes resume this week: Wednesday 6:30-7:45 pm at SJV
Thursday 6:30 -7:45 pm at OLA

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:
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.



World Day of Prayer 2026
Ecumenical Worship Service
 on Friday, March 6, 2026 at 2 pm
 hosted at St. John Vianney Catholic Church

"I Will Give You Rest: Come"

Matthew 11:28-30

Fellowship to follow service with a reception.
(Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada)

REMINDER: if you or a loved one are hospitalized, please be sure to tell them you are Roman Catholic immediately so that pastoral care will be informed. If you do not tell them, no notation is made because it is not one of the questions they ask. You must inform them. That way if you are in need of anointing or pastoral care the chaplain will be advised. Anointing of the Sick is always available in the parish as needs arise: just ask Fr Rob or Fr. Mark at any weekday or weekend mass and they can attend to this, especially if you are preparing for surgery.



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

LITURGICAL REMINDER: as soon as we have said ***"Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof..."*** the congregation is to rise in preparation for the communion procession.



Annual Blues Buster-Rock & Soul Dinner Fundraiser
Knights of Columbus #9528

Saturday, March 14th

Doors open at 6pm, Dinner 7pm

At the Windsor Sportsmen Club

2401 Dougall Avenue

Dinner includes: Chicken, Pork Sliders, Baked Beans, Mac N' Cheese, Coleslaw, Roll, Coffee, Tea & Dessert

\$50 per person (Advance Tickets Only)

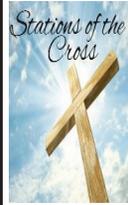
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LENT

Pray + Fast + Give



LENTEN DEVOTIONS

Join us this week: Friday, March 6th

6 pm: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

6 pm-6:30 pm: Confessions

7 pm: Stations of the Cross and Benediction

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We are planning for baptisms in April, May and June. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Mark as soon as possible to make arrangements for an upcoming baptism. 519-735-6023 ext. 24

Development and Peace-

Caritas Canada's work in a nutshell

Dignity, participation, solidarity, the preferential option for the poor and integrity. These are the values at the heart of the work of Development & Peace-Caritas Canada, the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada. Since 1967, we've been walking hand in hand with communities in the Global South to promote **justice, peace and dignity.**

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Visit: devp.org on their Lenten Resources page for more information.

Our Share Lent collection will be taken on the 5th Sunday of Lent-Solidarity Sunday-March 21/22.

Envelopes are in the offertory boxes and can be found at the back of the churches.





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