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St. Michael's Parish



Weekend Liturgical Schedule

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(No Masses)

St. Joseph's 310 Sherk St. Leamington, ON

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. -Italian/English 10:30 a.m. - Family 12:00 NOON -Portuguese/English 3:00 p.m. - Spanish 7:00 p.m. - Youth

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 2:30 p.m. Followed by Divine Mercy -3:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Saturday 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Or call for an Appointment

Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament 22 Middleton Line Wheatley, ON

Sunday - 10:30 a.m.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD March 20, 2016

Dear Friends,

"... The time is now at hand when we enter on a new beginning: the proclamation of the blessed Passover, in which the Lord was sacrificed. We feed as on the food of life, we constantly refresh our souls with his precious blood, as from a fountain. Yet we are always thirsting, burning to be satisfied. But he himself is present for those who thirst and in his goodness invites them to the feast day.... God who first established this feast for us allows us to celebrate it each year. He who gave up his Son to death for our salvation, from the same motive gives us this feast, which is commemorated every year. This feast guides us through the trials that meet us in this world. God now gives us the joy of salvation that shines out from this feast, as he brings us together to form one assembly, uniting us all in spirit in every place, allowing us to pray together and to offer common thanksgiving, as is our duty on the feast. Such is the wonder of his love: he gathers to this feast those who are far apart, and brings together in unity of faith those who may be physically separated from each other." (from Saint Athanasius)

With thanks to Father Clare for inviting me to send a pastoral greeting for holy week. I will indeed be with all of you in my heart during this HOLY WEEK, with thanks for so many who make our liturgies beautiful: musically, in service of the Altar, through the youth presenting the journey of Jesus to his Cross and Resurrection, through the sponsors and catechists who are close to our catechumens and candidates for full communion in the Church. May this week bring you untold joy in the Lord who marks out the way for us all to be with him in our common journey through suffering to new Life.

Special thanks to members of the building committee who will bring the newly blessed Holy Oils and Sacred Chrism from the Cathedral. Before too long now, the bishop will come to bless and dedicate the new St. Michael's church and re-consecrate the Altar with the Sacred Chrism. As you see the building advance, please continue to grow strong in your hope that our new building reflects the Spirit-filled life of our community of Faith, Hope and Charity. May the Lord increase your joy through the sacrifices you make to bring about this renewal of our parish family.

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Pastoral Team

Rev. Patrick W. Fuerth Ext 25 Pastor Rev. Christopher Pietraszko Ext 26 Rev. Danny Santos Ext 27 Associate Pastors Rev. Christian G. Campos F.M.M. Hispanic Ministry Alex Litt John Vezina Deacons Veronica Costa Ext 28 Youth Co-ordinator Simone Seres Ext 29 Pastoral Minister

Parish Advisory Chair Mary Shaw Finance Committee Chair Joe O'Neill Knights of Columbus Ted Wigfield Catholic Women's League Peggy Barrette St. Vincent de Paul Kim Teskey Ext. 51

Office Staff

Beth Impens Ext 21 Business Manager Sandy Foldesi Ext 10 Secretary

Sacraments

Baptisms - Call office First Reconciliation -Preparation begins in January First Holy Communion -Preparation begins in March Confirmation - Preparation begins in September Marriage - Meeting with Clergy minimum six months in advance. Marriage classes Spring and Fall Holy Orders - See clergy Sacrament of the Sick -Upon request

RCIA and RCIC - Call office

God bless all of you with the joy of New Life in our Risen Lord, Jesus as we welcome to full Communion those who will be baptized and confirmed, and as we renew the Faith given us in our Baptism.

.....Fr. Pat

Joyeuses Pâques ... Buona Pasqua ... Happy Easter ... Feliz Páscoa ... <u>復活節快樂</u> ... Zalige Passdagen ... Froke Ostern ... Felices Pascuas ... <u>Zalig Poas'n</u> ...

2016 HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY SCHEDULE Holy Thursday—March 24th St. Josephs—7:00pm Mass-Adoration until Midnight

& Special Retreat for Young People

Good Friday—March 25th

Day of Fast and Abstinence OLBS: 3:00PM English ST. JOSEPH: 10:30am—Children 3:00pm—English 5:00pm—Portuguese/English 7:00pm—Spanish/English

Holy Saturday—March 26th St. Joseph—8:00pm Easter Vigil Followed by a reception and welcome to new Catholics

Easter Sunday—March 27th

St. Joseph (Same as Sunday Schedule) OLBS—10:30 am English

PHOTO DIRECTORIES!

The St. Michael's Photo Directories have arrived! If you had your picture taken for the Directory, your copy is available to be picked up at the office.



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to John and Jane DeGoey on the occasion of their **40th** Wedding Anniversary!

May we be gifted in unity to serve God and all peoples in authentic love

EASTER SUNDAY

The joy of Easter fills all the earth. And this is the joy of Easter—that death has been conquered. Easter is the victory. Easter is the "good news" which the apostles were sent to preach to the ends of the earth.

> First Reading (Acts 10:34a, 37-43) Second Reading (Colossians 3:1-4) Gospel (John 20:1-18)



St. Jose	ph's March 21—March 26
Mon. 8:00am	Joao Simas and Deceased Family Members Mary Hudders Sara Orlando
Tues. 8:00am	Leonilda and Jose Pacheco & Manuel Mendonca Leonardo Conceicao, Antonio Amaral & Antonio Freitas Mary Mastronardi
Wed. 8:00am	NO MORNING MASS
7:00pm	Fayez Zakaria Ted Wahby Joaquim Da Camara, Conceicao and Jose Rebelo
Thurs 8:00am	NO MORNING MASS—SEE EASTER SCHEDULE
Fri 8:00am	NO MORNING MASS—SEE EASTER SCHEDULE
Sat. 8:00am	NO MORNING MASS—SEE EASTER SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE NO MASSES THIS WEEK AT NEW BEGINNINGS AND THE MENNONITE HOME**



Please Note: For those who are sensitive, there will be incense used **Holy Thursday** and for the **Easter Vigil.**

FIFTH ANNUAL CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE Saturday, May 7, 2016 RISE UP WOMEN OF TRUTH "Daughters of Mercy" Holy Name of Jesus Church 146 Talbot Street South, Essex 8:00am - 4:00pm Main Speaker: Kimberly Hahn Registration: <u>www.riseupwomenoftruth.webs.com</u> Tickets available at St. Michael's Parish Office

\$25.00/Adult \$20.00 Student \$30.00 after April 24th

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Please pray for those in our parish and families who recently passed away: **PIERINA RICCI and**

CARMINA LABBATE



2016 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Wedding Anniversary Mass honouring all married couples in southwestern Ontario will be held on Sunday, May 1, 2016 at 2:30pm, at Visitation Parish in Comber, Ont.. Bishop Fabbro will preside at the Mass. All married couples are invited to attend. Please call the parish office or use the sign up forms in the back of the Church to register. Please have your registration forms back to the office by

April 25, 2016



MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE The marriage preparation course is coming up: Friday April 8th-7pm to 10:00pm AND

Saturday April 9th-9am to 6:00pm (includes Mass at 5:00pm) You must attend both dates.

They take place at **HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH**, 146 Talbot Street, **Essex**, Ontario.

You must register for this course in advance. Please call St. Michael's Church office at (519) 326-2643 ext. 10 for more information or Holy Name Church at (519) 776-8483

This week the Leamington Ministerial Association prays for: St. Michael's Parish



Joyous Easter to Everyone!

Toiletries for men & women are being collected for donation to Sarnia-area shelters @ the CWL Diocesan Convention, April 18-20. The basket

will be at St. Joseph church or bring to the church office. Thank you!

Remind your GRADE 12 child or grandchild to apply for the CWL Bursary. Open to a student from Cardinal Carter and LDSS, apply @ school office.

Save the Date: CWL 65th. Annual Banquet Tuesday May 3, 2016 @ Portuguese Club.



"Thank You to all who have participated in the Called by Name initiative. Please continue to discern on this important Vocation. Cards are still available at the back of the church for anyone interested." Vocations Committee

Foundations in Parish Nursing Program – Are you a registered nurse who would like to integrate your spirituality with your nursing practice and also learn more about the exciting field of parish nursing? Join us from **July 8-14, 2016** at Holy Family Retreat House on beautiful Lake Erie, near Kingsville, Ontario. For more information visit **www.stpetersseminary.ca** or contact Catherine Leach at 1-519-432-1824 ext. 281.

Just a quick reminder!

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS

There is still time to have your loved one's name added to the Easter Memorial. The deadline is March 21, 2016

<u>Veronica's Corner</u>



YAGOTTAWANNA DEFEND FOR TEENS All teens in grades 8-12 are invited to join us on Sunday, April 3 starting at 5:00pm at St. Joseph's Church in the trailer. Dinner will be

provided and we will end our evening with Mass at 7:00pm. Remember YAGOTTAWANNA-You've Got to Want to Get Involved in Your Faith in Order to Grow in Your Faith



SMYL—MOVIE NIGHT All youth in grades 3-8 are invited to our next youth event on **Tuesday, March 22** from **6:30-8pm** at Ecole St. Michel.

HOLY WEEK STATIONS OF THE

<u>CROSS</u> ~ Everyone is invited to join us for our annual Holy Week Stations of the Cross to be held on <u>Sunday, March 20 at</u>



<u>**3 pm at Our Lady of Lebanon Shrine**</u> on Highway 77. We will pray the stations of the cross followed by the rosary in the chapel. Refreshments will also be served.



HOLY THURSDAY TEEN RETREAT

All teens in grades 8-12 are invited to join us for a retreat on Holy Thursday,

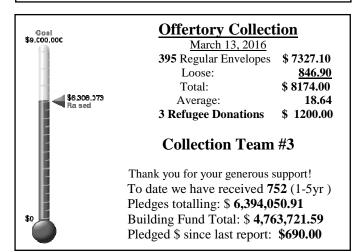
March 24 starting with Mass at 7 pm followed by a retreat in the trailer at St. Joseph's until 10:30 pm. Great way to start off the Triduum.

SOUTH COUNTY YOUTH COR

April 15-17, 2016 at Holy Name of Jesus Parish For youth ages 16-21. Registration is \$35 for the weekend and forms are available at the back of each church and in Campus Ministry at Cardinal Carter. For financial assistance, contact Veronica at 519-326-2643 ext 28.

NEEDED—BABY MONITOR

Do you have a baby monitor that you are not using? We are in need of a baby monitor to be used at St. Joseph's Church in the trailer. If you can spare one for the next couple of months, contact Veronica at 519-326-2643 ext. 28



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