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PRE-AUTHORIZED MONTHLY SUNDAY OFFERTORY GIFT (PAG)

Contact Jolanda Squire at ext. 208

FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON Cherylann Grace

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SCHEDULE OF EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.
St. Josephine Bakhita (African Caribbean Catholic
Community) Mass - 4th Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday No mass
Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 noon
Wednesday & Friday 8:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Kateri School 519-675-4410
St. Mark's School 519-675-4421
St. Michael's School 519-675-4424
St. Catherine of Siena School 519-675-4437
Mother Teresa Secondary School 519-675-4433

MINISTRIES TO CHILDREN - 10:30 a.m. Mass

Liturgy of the Word - age 4-9

Babysitting - Toddlers under age 3

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism - 1st Sunday of each month at 2:00pm or any Sunday Mass

Baptismal Preparation - Contact Fr. Pio D'Oria

Marriage - Arrangements to be made at least six months in advance

Marriage Preparation - Apr 17-19, 2020

Priesthood/Religious Life - Fr. Murray Sample, Fr. Pio D'Oria

Sacrament of the Sick - available upon request

First Reconciliation (Gr. 2) - registration required in September

First Communion (Gr. 2) - registration required in September

Confirmation (Gr. 8) - registration required in September

Hearing assistance device to hear mass available.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK: Contact the Parish Office.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE (CWL): President - Margaret McGee

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Grand Knight - Keith Rodrigues

PRAYER LINE: Prayer requests are received at
stmichlon@dol.ca or phone 519-433-6689

Exposition 1st Friday of every month & Benediction at 3:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Chaplet each Friday at 3:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - Noon & 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Free Bus Service to 10:30 a.m. Mass

9:35am 64 Wyndham
Blackwater east of Adelaide - Bus Stop
Grenfell just east of Blackwater
Fanshawe/Trossacks - Bus Stop on Corner
770 Fanshawe - east of Fremont (Bus Stop)
Fanshawe - west of Fremont
Adelaide/Fanshawe - Bus Stop south of Fanshawe
Kipps Lane/Adelaide - Bus Shelter just east of Adelaide
Kipps Lane/Barker
Kipps Lane - Bus Stop east of Barker
Kipps Lane/Kenmore Place - Bus Stop
295 Briarhill
Cheapside/Boullee
Huron/Wedgewood - Bus Stop east of Wedgewood
10:15am Royal York Apts - 3 stops
Go to St. Michaels Church



Items for Bulletin due by noon Monday.

NOVEMBER 24TH, 2019 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



ADVENT...A Time of Anticipation, Expectation, Preparation

Advent is often the liturgical season in our church that gets passed by because we are busy preparing our homes and families for Christmas season filled with parties, activities and gift-giving. The season of Advent is a time of counter cultural preparation. Advent reminds us that we are also called to prepare our hearts and homes to encounter and welcome the incarnation of God in our midst and to prepare for that day when heaven and earth are wed and welcomes God's presence through his son. Advent invites us to create space to prepare to receive Emmanuel – God With Us. To help you enjoy this season to its fullest, you are invited to intentionally clear some time each day to enter into the mystery of the incarnation, to ponder Mary's yes and what that means for us.

Because printed resources were scarce this year the pastoral team at St. Michael's invites you to consider some online, daily reflections.

Henri Nouwen <http://wp.henrinouwen.org/>

Dynamic Catholic <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever>

Ignatian Spirituality <https://www.ignatianspirituality.com/advent/>

FORMED <https://watch.formed.org/advent-reflections-preparing-for-the-birth-of-our-savior-with-tim-gray>

Bishop Robert Barron <https://adventreflections.com/thank-you-english>

May this season of anticipation, expectation and preparation be a blessed and sacred time for you and yours.



Lifeteen Encounter Worship 12:30 pm Mass

Please join us for a more contemporary sound as The Encounter Worship band leads us into worship and a Eucharistic Mass at every 12:30 pm Mass.

LIFETEEN Youth – All H.S. students are encouraged to speak up and share your ideas, your needs for our High School youth gatherings once per month. Please contact Syl, our Youth Minister or email with your ideas @ spatry@dol.ca



Teen Life - For Students in Gr. 5-7 - EDGE

Join us for great student gatherings with a lot of faith, food and fun for all Gr. 5-8 students. Register on line for free. Next EDGE night Wed Dec 4th.



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Confirmation 2019-2020 CHOSEN Gatherings

Meet and greet our new Confirmation team! First gathering will be **Sun Nov 24th** from 11 am to 12:30 pm with an invitation to the 12:30 pm mass.

CHOSEN Confirmation gathering dates are Dec 15th, Jan 26th, Feb 23rd, Mar 29th, Apr 26th & May 3rd.



St. Michael's CWL Bake Sale

After All Masses this Weekend Nov 23rd & 24th

Along with our homemade baking we will be selling our frozen apple pies. Please join us in the hall.

- Our CWL members will be in the Narthex following all Masses today to renew memberships and to welcome new members. Our fee is \$25.00. Our monthly meetings are divided into 3 components, Faith, Fun and Fulfillment. We do a lot of good stuff and we have fun doing it.
- Our next meeting is our Christmas social on **Dec 2nd at 7:00 pm**. It will be a wonderful evening with treats and caroling. Please bring along a baby gift for the Birthright Shower. In the past we've had a \$5.00 gift exchange which you are more than welcome to participate in or in lieu of that, donate the \$5.00 to go towards a gift for a nursing home resident or you're welcome to do both.

St. Michael's Four-Part Harmony Choir Christmas Concert

Sunday Dec 15 at 2:30pm. Enjoy beautiful carols to help celebrate the advent and Christmas season



S.S.V.P. Angel Tree 2019

The Society St. Vincent de Paul Outreach are asking for assistance to help the needy children in our community. The Angel Tree will be set up Nov 23rd/24th in the Church. Tags with the age and gender of a child will be on it. Please consider being an 'angel' and taking a tag from the tree and return an unwrapped gift that would be appropriate for that child. Please return gifts with the tag ATTACHED on the weekends of **Nov 30th/Dec 1st & Dec 7/8th**. Monetary donations will be gladly accepted. We do not need any more wrapping paper this year. We cannot accept gifts after 12 noon on Mon Dec 9th. Thank you for your generosity.



Knights Table

December 1st - Parish Breakfast 9:30 am to 12 pm

The due date for applications to the **Knights of Columbus 12820 Lay Ministry Bursary & Mary Kay Rogister Memorial Lay Ministry Bursary** is **December 1, 2019**. These bursaries are available to parishioners of St. Michael's Parish, London, who are enrolled in Lay Formation programs at St. Peter's Seminary, London. Applications are available from the Parish Office.

Christmas Cards - The Knights of Columbus will have Christmas Cards with a religious theme available for sale in the narthex before and after all Masses this weekend - Nov 23/24, 2019.



Attention First Reconciliation Retreat Cancelled

Please Note - the parent/child reconciliation retreat that was scheduled for December 1, 2-4 pm has been cancelled.

St. Michael's Pastoral Team hopes your time of preparation for your child's First Reconciliation has been a grace-filled time and we look forward to seeing you at the celebration you have chosen to participate in.

1st Reconciliation will be celebrated: Tues Dec 3rd @ 6:30 pm, Wed Dec 4th @ 6:30 pm and Sat Dec 7th @ 10:00 am.

Our parish community continues to pray for those preparing to meet Christ in Sacrament.

2019 Bazaar: a HUGE Success!!!

A very special thank you to the over 150+ volunteers who helped make this year's bazaar such a huge success. We profited over \$11, 500 which will help so many people in need within our community through our social outreach programs and specific ministries. Our parish community came together in so many ways by using their **talents** in sewing, baking and preserving, crafting, painting, wood-working, crocheting, knitting and preserving; many gave of their **time** to help seek donations, to setup, cook, sell and cleanup and serve on the Planning Committee; and many gave of their **treasures** by donating and shopping at the bazaar. Close to 700 attended. When a community responds to the invitation and comes together to share its **time, talents and treasures**, we ALL benefit! Thank you to all the angels among us!



Remembering Tree

As a way to remember those who have died, the Decorating Committee is inviting you to make a donation in memory of your loved one. An ornament with their name will be made. At the end of the Christmas Season we invite you to take it home with you.

The donations will help with the purchase of the flowers and the environment for the Christmas Season. Donations can be made through the Remembrance Tree Ornament envelope located at the welcome desk after all masses on the weekend or in the parish office during the week.



Thanksgiving Appeal

As the annual thanksgiving appeal winds down we wish to thank you for your support of St. Michael's by your gift to the appeal. It is the most important request for financial support that we have each year and its success is directly a result of your gifts. Thank you for your generosity. The appeal is open year round.

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Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 26 - 12:00 noon

Ken Squire requested by The Squire Family
Flora Campit requested by Cora & Gerry Garber
Katherine Prendergast Grasdahl requested by Joe & Marilyn Dewan

Wednesday, November 27 - 8:00 am

Sofia & Gabriel Sr. Paiva requested by The Paiva Family
Jim & Marg Ryan requested by Mike & Colleen Williams
Domingos Machado requested by Sophia Machado

Thursday, November 28 - 12:00 noon

Special Intentions
The Souls in Purgatory
Intentions of Catherine & Joseph

Friday, November 29 - 8:00 am

Agnes & Cy O'Donnell requested by Barry & Theresa O'Donnell
Phyllis Mae Wellington requested by Amelia Gandia
Intentions of Carrie Davis requested by mom

Saturday, November 30 - 9:00 am

Mary & Bernard Flanagan requested by The Family
Wesley Bryce requested by Marg Bryce
Deceased Members of the Bryce & Pitel Families
requested by Marg Bryce

December 1st, 2019 First Sunday of Advent

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/>

There will be No Confessions the morning of Sat Dec 7, 2019
(Time set aside for our 1st Reconciliation Candidates)



All those who are sick, including:

Joseph Gooding Greg Giesen Lucas Ferreira
Cala Hendrichson



And all those who have died, including:

Michael McCaffrey father of Joel & Matthew McCaffrey
Asumani Asimba father of Binwa Asimba Kema
Sr. Jean Zadorian of the Sisters of the Holy Name of Jesus & Mary

Memorial Masses at St. Peter's Cemetery

On the 2nd Tues each month, Rosary at 4:00 pm, Mass at 4:30 pm
Everyone is welcome to come to pray for their loved ones.

Ministering to the Sick & Homebound - If you have a friend or family member who would appreciate receiving Eucharist and a pastoral visit, please contact the parish office, 519-433-6689.

Seeking Funeral Choir Members - We need your help to show our love and support to the families of the deceased. Come and share your voice at morning funerals. Practice is 20 minutes before the funeral. Contact the Parish Office if you would like to join this Music Ministry.

Mass for the Unborn - Dec 27th - St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica, beginning with the Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 7:00 pm and followed by Mass at 7:30 pm. Bishop Joseph Dabrowski will preside. This special celebration is sponsored by the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus. Everyone is welcome to attend.

St. Michael's Moms' Group - Calling all mothers! Come to learn more about the Catholic faith together, connect with other moms and share faith and fellowship over coffee. Babysitting provided most days. No registration necessary. Our dates are twice monthly on **Tuesday mornings from 10am-12pm**, next session **Nov 26th 2019**.

St. Mary's Family Theater Cinema Classics - 345 Lyle St.

Dinner at 5pm & speaker will prelude the film. Film at 6:30 pm.

Full of Grace - Dec 8th - Ticket \$12. Phone 519-434-9121.



Sunday Collection

Nov 10th 2019

Regular Offertory \$6,460

Pre-Authorized Gift \$3,851

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Some of our Parishioners have allergies and are sensitive to perfume. We invite people to refrain from using perfume and cologne.



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

collection for the needy within our parish boundaries is the 2nd Sunday of each month. Thank you for your support.
(Make cheques payable to St. Michael's Parish and write SSVP on the memo line.)

This Week at St. Michael's

Monday, November 25

- 5:30 pm—Northern Hospitality Meal Colborne St. United—Hall
- 7:00 pm—Communications Meeting—St. Anthony Room

Tuesday, November 26

- 10:00 am—Moms Group—St. John Paul II Room

Wednesday, November 27

- 9:30 am—St. Catherine of Siena School Mass—St. Catherine of Siena School
- 7:00 pm—CWL Ukulele Group Practice—St. Francis Library
- 7:00 pm—RCIA—St. John Paul II Room
- 7:00 pm—AA—St. Andre Bessette & St. Kateri Rooms

Thursday, November 28

- 10:30 am—Chartwell Mass—Chartwell Long Term Care
- 1:00 pm—Young at Heart Bridge (YAH)—Hall
- 7:00 pm—Lector Formation Meeting—Nave
- 7:00 pm—Bible Study—Hall

Friday, November 29

- 9:00 am to 11:00 am—Art Club—St. Francis Library
- 3:00 pm—Chaplet of the Divine Mercy—Nave

Sunday, December 1

- 9:00 am to 12:00 noon—Parish Breakfast—Hall
- 2:00 pm—Baptisms—Nave

Please Mark Your Calendars

Last day for gift drop off for Angel Tree - Sun Dec 8th
Richmond Woods Mass at Richmond Woods - 1st Wed - 2:00 pm
Masonville Manor Mass at Masonville Manor - 2nd Thurs - 10:30 am
McGarrell Place Mass at McGarrell Place - 3rd Thurs - 10:30 am
Chartwell Mass at Chartwell Long Term Care - Fri Dec 20 - 10:30 am

Looking for inspiration, a chance to grow your Catholic faith or wanting to encourage someone else?

Lighthouse CD's are available in the Narthex.

Change someone's life simply by giving a CD or grow your faith. Suggested donation amount \$5 per CD. ENJOY!

Employment Opportunity - St. Michael's is recruiting for the position of parish secretary. The parish secretary is responsible for greeting and providing direction in a professional manner and is responsible for a wide variety of office/clerical and administrative functions within the parish. Start date is February 17, 2020. Full time with salary and benefits per the Diocesan guidelines. For a detailed job description and qualifications, contact Doug Manners - Business Administrator at 519-433-6689 ext. 205 or dmanners@dol.ca

Applications will be accepted until December 20, 2019. Interested persons should submit a cover letter, resume along with a minimum of two references to: St. Michael's Parish, Hiring Committee 511 Cheapside St. London, ON N5Y 3X5 Or email to: dmanners@dol.ca

Retrouvaille - If your marriage has lost the sense of closeness it once had, if you are living more like roommates, Retrouvaille can help you recapture that closeness. To learn more about Retrouvaille, or to register for the up-coming weekend **Jan 17-19, 2020** at the Michaelite Centre, email retrouvaillelondonstthomas@gmail.com. Visit us on the web at www.helpourmarriage.com.

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