



# St. Justin's Parish

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*Office hours Monday to Friday 9 AM to 12 PM, 12:30 PM to 4 PM*

## WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

- ◆ Saturday at 5:00 PM
- ◆ Sunday at 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM
- ◆ Children's Liturgy Sunday at 11:00 AM (Sept. to June)
- ◆ Filipino Mass every third Sunday at 3:30 PM

## RECONCILIATION:

- ◆ Saturday 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM or by appointment

## BAPTISM:

- ◆ Baptisms are celebrated throughout the year. Forms are available in the narthex, parish office or on our website. Please return completed forms to the attention of Catherine Leach, Pastoral Minister. A minimum of eight weeks notice is required.

## MARRIAGE:

- ◆ Please make an appointment with the parish priest as soon as a decision is made to marry. A minimum of twelve months notice is required. Please make no other arrangements until a date is confirmed with the parish.
- ◆ Couples must attend a Marriage Preparation course recognized by the Diocese of London.

## PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK AND SHUT-INS:

- ◆ The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins of the Parish. Please contact the parish office if a family member is in the hospital or confined at home so they may receive the comfort of the Church's sacraments and prayer.
- ◆ The Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation are available upon request.

## NEW PARISHIONERS:

- ◆ Welcome to St. Justin's Parish. Please introduce yourself and complete a registration form which is available at the Welcome Desk in the church.

## *The Pastoral Team*

Fr. Christopher Bourdeau, *Parish Administrator*

Fr. Mario Cabal, *Parochial Vicar*

Deacon Paul James, Deacon Joe Manzara, *Deacons*

Catherine Leach, *Pastoral Minister*

Melanie Bertens, *Parish Secretary, Hall Manager*

Mary Mendonca, *Parish Secretary*

Donna DeKleyn, *Bookkeeper*

Peter James, Suzette James, *Custodian*

Gary Williams, *Project & Business Manager*

## PARISH BEQUEST:

- ◆ Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember your parish in your Will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

## FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS:

- ◆ Please contact the office before making arrangements with the funeral home.



*Parish Pastoral Council:* Sean Cross, Chair *Finance Chair:* TBA

*Liturgy Committee:* Catherine Leach, Chair *Catholic Women's League:* Maureen Duncan, President

*Knights of Columbus:* Joseph Bartlett, Grand Knight *Director of Music:* Dan O'Brien *St. Vincent de Paul:* John Gruggen, President

# Masses for the Week



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## **TUESDAY, February 1 @ 7 PM**

- (+) Charleen & Monica Duquette family
- (+) Fr. William McKenna
- (Int) Josh DeMelo Michelle Gonsalves

## **WEDNESDAY, February 2 @ 5 PM @ ST. FRANCIS—ST. MARTIN**

- (+) Jose & Isabel Baquiran Angelica Baquiran-Costales
- (+) Dec'd members of Plante family Murielle Plante

## **THURSDAY, February 3 @ 8 AM**

- (+) Michael Ray Pat & Betty McLaughlin
- (+) Isabel Baquiran family
- (+) Emmanuel Doublet Imelda Bezzina

## **FRIDAY, February 4 @ 8 AM @ ST. FRANCIS—ST. MARTIN**

- (+) Gillian Hania Fred & Louise Briffa
- (+) Consuelo & Tomas Lumpan Jr. Rabi family
- (+) Doug Clements & Tabitha Doom Marcus Clements

### **WEEKDAY MASS TIME CHANGES**

***Please make a note on your calendar of the following changes for Mass times and church where Mass will be celebrated***

TUESDAY, February 1 @ 7 PM - *St. Justin's*

WEDNESDAY, February 2 @ 5 PM - *St. Francis/St. Martin*

THURSDAY, February 3 @ 8 AM - *St. Justin's*

FRIDAY, February 4 @ 8 AM - *St. Francis/St. Martin*

### **Please pray for our RCIA Candidates**

Lord we pray for those who have joined the RCIA journey.

Build their faith, open their hearts to the fullness of your love.

Deepen their understanding and set their hearts on fire for your kingdom.

May you guide our Parish and empower us to share our faith with those who need it.

May we always be a welcoming people, who strive to live out our faith. Amen

## **January Monthly Intention of the Holy Father True Human Fraternity**

*We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.*

## **Blessed are those who mourn for they shall be comforted** *Matthew 5:4*

*We Pray for the soul of Stefana Tichbourne  
and Antonio Goncalves Figueiredo*

### **KIND WORDS are like HONEY** **Proverbs 16:24**

If you know anyone who needs a friendly Hello or a break in their day of loneliness or someone to pray with, or make a new friend in Jesus. **WE ARE HERE!!!!!!**



Call the Church office at (519) 685-2795 and give them the name and telephone number of the person, and someone from the Outreach Ministry will be honoured to call them.

### **6 WEEK COMMUNAL ACT OF CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH**

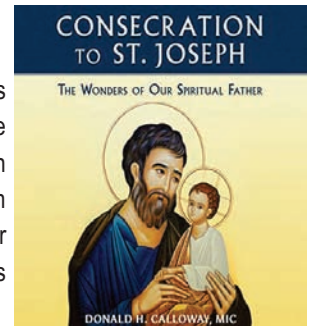
St. Francis/St. Martin, St. Leopold and St. Justin's Parishes  
February 16th to March 16th  
7 PM to 8:30 PM

Consecration date: Saturday, March 19th (Solemnity of Saint Joseph)

*"Now is the time to consecrate yourself to St. Joseph! God is telling his Church that, in order to defend marriage and the family, elevate morals, recover lost grounds, and win souls for Jesus Christ, we need to bring St. Joseph onto the battlefield. He is the Terror of Demons! With his powerful spiritual fatherhood, incredible love for his spiritual children, and constant intercession, the Church can be renewed as a light to the nations, a beautiful city on a hill".*

Please request an invite by completing the information on the website.

We will be using Fr. Donald Calloway's book: Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father. You can get your copy from: us or you can buy them from Mustard Seed, Peaceful Dove or Amazon. Fr. Donald H. Calloway's book is available for \$20, in English or Spanish.



## January 30, 2022 - 4th Sunday Year C

Discerning the presence of God in our lives, God's reign and his kingdom "The Year of the Lord's favor".

"Marco Polo is one of the most famed explorers of history. It seems he inherited the travel bug from his father. In 1260, when Marco Polo was 6, his father and uncle traveled to Mongolia (part of modern day China). When they arrived there the Mongol emperor revealed an interest in Christianity. He asked the brothers to take a letter to the Pope requesting as many as 100 wise men to spread the Gospel among his subjects. Three years later the brothers arrived home, and two years later set out on their return trek. Did they take the 100 wise men with them? No. Just two friars, for this was all the church felt they could spare. And even those two didn't make it, turning back shortly into their journey. What a tragedy! Imagine if the Kublai's request had been fulfilled. Perhaps the whole history of China may have been changed." Missed opportunities, not seizing the day, not seeing with the eyes of faith. All of these can apply to our Gospel reading today.

The prophet **Jeremiah** reminds us of the intimacy of our relationship with God. That being formed by God we are known by God but we are also sent by God – there is work to be done. "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you; I have appointed you as prophet to the nations".

- We are created with love and intimacy. God knows you and I personally through and through.
- He sends us, we are commissioned and sent as his apostles.

"So now brace yourself for action. Stand up and tell them all I command you....Do not be dismayed at their presence..."

- Be prepared for rejection, the Lord reminds us.
- "They will fight against you but shall not overcome you, for I am with you to deliver you – it is the Lord who speaks."

**Paul** reminds us that charity, love are God's way, and that at times his message of love and mercy can be antithetical to the ways of the world.

### **Paul to the Corinthians**

"Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes. Love does not come to an end"

Now we come to our Gospel reading from Luke – part two you might say from last week's reading. "...and they were astonished by the gracious words that came from his lips...." The they said, 'This is Joseph's son, surely?' (not Shirley but Jesus ).

His words are attractive, compelling, **BUT** he's from Nazareth, he's Joseph's son. Who does he think he is – He is equating himself with the Christ, the Messiah, the Son of God – Blasphemy. "When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him down the cliff, but he slipped through the crowd and walked away". They missed their time of visitation; they did not discern the reality of who was speaking to him. They categorized him, judged him and wanted to pass sentence on him – death. Are we intent on listening for God's word in our lives and putting it into action? Do we ever judge or categorize other people by what they say or by what they believe?

When we do this, categorize someone, we put them in a box and believe that we know the sum of who they are. Like some in the time of Jesus who said, "This is Joseph's son", he's just the son of a carpenter, who does he think he is; we can at times try to limit, to define someone, when in fact we are called to judge no one. Let us pray that with the grace of the spirit, we will recognize God's activity and presence in ourselves and in one another. Let us be open to being surprised by those we think we have figured out or categorized. Even be surprised by ourselves. Let us be merciful!

### **Transition news:**

Last week Fr Jojo (from St Leopold's) Fr Mario and myself attended virtually a two-day retreat for all of the 7 last families to be formed this coming July. I must admit that at first, I thought this was going to be a "bore" 6 hours for two days on Zoom - but I actually was enthused after the two days!

There is going to be a lot of support staff from the Diocese to assist us in our transition and they have learned much from the other parishes. So, I truly believe that as long as we remain faithful to our covenant of prayer - all will go well. We have met virtually for the first time with our Transition Team and I have given their names. One of the next things we are going to be discussing with you is the "Why?" of all of this. Why are we doing this? What are the realities that the Church is facing in our modern world? What are the implications of our Baptism? Why are we talking about this now ?

More to come.... **Blessings, Father Christopher**

PS Going away for a week's break to sunny Windsor Jan 31 till Feb 8<sup>th</sup> - Fr Paul Baillargeon will be assisting Fr Mario with Mass coverage on the weekends. Note that the weekday Mass schedule has been altered for next week. Peace

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