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Office Hours Tues. - Fri 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Emergency Priest Contact: (226) 234-8020

## Vision

*To be a home for those seeking Christ, united in diversity, for the service of God.*

## Mission

*Empowering the faithful for the service of God by calling each person forth to know and share their gifts in mutual service.*

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Sunday

8:30 AM - St. Justin  
9:00 AM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Eng**  
11:00 AM - St. Justin  
11:00 AM - St. Leopold Mandic **Cro**  
11:30 AM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Spa**

### Tuesday

8:00 AM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Eng**  
7:00 PM - St. Leopold Mandic **Cro**  
6:30 PM - St. Justin

### Wednesday

6:00 PM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Spa**  
6:00 PM - St. Leopold Mandic **Cro**  
6:30 PM - St. Justin

### Thursday

8:00 AM - St. Justin  
6:00 PM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Spa**  
6:00 PM - St. Leopold Mandic **Cro**

### Friday

8:00 AM - St. Justin  
6:00 PM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Spa**  
6:00 PM - St. Leopold Mandic **Cro**

### Saturday

4:30 PM - St. Justin  
4:30 PM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Eng**  
6:30 PM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Spa**

## NEW PARISHIONER

Please take the time to register at either the Welcome Desk, online or call one of the offices.

## ADORATION TIMES

### Thursday

5:00 PM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Spa**

### Friday

8:30 AM - St. Justin

## RECONCILIATION TIMES

### St. Leopold Mandic

Tuesday - 6:30 PM

Wednesday - Friday - 5:30 PM

### St. Francis-St. Martin

Wednesday & Friday - 5:30 PM

### St. Justin

Wednesday - 6:00 PM

Saturday - 11:00 AM

## MARRIAGE

Congratulations! We ask for a minimum of 12 months before the date you wish to begin our journey with you. Please make an appointment with one of the priests. We invite couples to attend a Marriage Preparation course recognized by the Diocese before the celebration of the sacrament.



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**Custodian - STJ**

## FILIPINO COMMUNITY MASS

3rd Sunday of the month @ 3:30 PM  
Contact: Marina Simonetta (519)933-9157

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## PASTOR'S PEN

### 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT - SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025

We gather now as a people who have set out on a wilderness journey, a desert journey with the Lord – we have begun the discipline or the experience of Lent in our lives and as a community.

Watchfulness, an attitude I am going to propose as one which is useful during the season of Lent and our whole journey through life, is usually one which springs up during the Advent season, but I think it is useful for us to give some time to think about it this weekend. Jesus warns us against “sleeping,” against being out of it while the world lurches on in its mindless, violent way. Jesus summons us to regard the world as Gethsemane, to watch and stay awake. Three times he had to awaken Peter, James, and John in the garden as he suffered their abandonment when they slept and later their abandonment in his time of greatest need.

What are the helps that we can practice with God's grace to remain alert, to be watchful?

~ Prayer      ~ Fasting      ~ Almsgiving

Prayer is our dialogue with God - indispensable. Prayer opens us up to God's saving activity in our lives, we become more "vulnerable" to God!

Fasting mortifies the body, sharpens and focuses our minds and hearts. Fasting can be from food, but also from legitimate pleasures - things we can do without.

Almsgiving is an expression of our charity. We give to help others - not only money but also giving of our time.

May we all experience the transformative power of God's grace as we enter the deserts of our lives.

Blessings,

**Fr. Christopher  
Pastor**

### POPE FRANCIS SICK PRAYER

Loving God, Francis, our beloved pope, suffers from grave illnesses, we come before you in prayer.

We ask you to look with mercy on your servant Francis, who has served you devotedly and tirelessly as a Jesuit, a priest, an archbishop, a cardinal, and as pope.

Most of all, he has served you as a faithful Christian sharing the love, mercy, and compassion that your Son showed to all he encountered in his public ministry, especially those who were poor or in any way struggling.

During his papacy, Francis has striven to imitate your Son by reaching out to all who were feeling abandoned, ignored or neglected, making it his special task to care for those who were in any way sick.

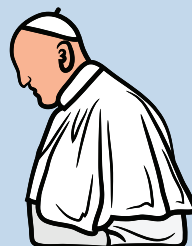
As Francis himself now faces serious and complex illnesses, help the doctors, nurses and medical team who care for him, help him bear any pain with grace and help him to heal quickly.

Send your Holy Spirit, your own breath, into his weakened lungs to heal him, inspire him and raise him up again so that he may live out his vocation as the Vicar of Christ.

But if it is your will, loving God, to take him to yourself, let his passing into new life be painless and peaceful.

We ask all this in your Holy Name.

Amen.



### TODAY'S READINGS

#### 1st Sunday of Lent

#### 1st Reading

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

#### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15

#### 2nd Reading

Romans 10:8-13

#### Gospel

Luke 4:1-13

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION - MARCH

#### FOR FAMILIES IN CRISIS

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

#### SACRAMENTS

If you are interested in getting information for any sacrament, please get in touch with Mary Catherine, Pastoral Minister at (519) 685-2795 Ext. 227 or via email: [mcbishop@dol.ca](mailto:mcbishop@dol.ca) For more information visit our website: [londonsouthcatholic.ca](http://londonsouthcatholic.ca)

### LOTTERY CALENDAR WINNERS

Want to know this month's winners? Visit our website for the latest results! [londonsouthcatholic.ca/](http://londonsouthcatholic.ca/)



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## MASS INTENTIONS

**MONDAY, MARCH 10 @ 10:00 AM**

ST. JOSEPH NOVENA MASS

**TUESDAY, MARCH 11 @ 6:30 PM**

(+) Andrew Lim Jaesan

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12 @ 6:30 PM**

(+) Jeff Gheller Mary Egan  
 (+) Elizabeth Weir Ibbitson Family  
 (+) Michael Gonsalves Michelle Gonsalves

**THURSDAY, MARCH 13 @ 8:00 AM**

(+) Michael Haight Haight Family

**FRIDAY, MARCH 14 @ 8:00 AM**

(+) Michael Hartman Yvonne Hartman  
 (+) Elena Achacoso Achacoso Family  
 (INT) Kent Branch Family

## NEW HEARING AID ASSISTANCE

For those who suffer from poor hearing, a portable device will be available for you to use while at Mass. You will have to sign for it at the Welcome Desk in the vestibule of the Church (and return it after Mass).



## THE SOLEMNITY OF ST. JUSTIN MARTYR MARK YOUR CALENDAR

On Sunday, June 1st, the Solemnity of St. Justin Martyr (for our parish), Bishop Fabbro will celebrate Mass for us at 11:00 am and repose the 1st Class relic of St. Justin under the altar. Those who donated \$100.00 or more will have the names they submitted on a plaque beside the relic's authenticity certificate. Thanks to all who donated to the creation of the niche and reliquary itself. After the Mass on June 1st, we will be gathering at the Marconi Club for our annual Family of Parishes luncheon.

Tickets will go on sale in May. Bishop Fabbro will be joining us. More information to follow. **Save the date!**

## ST. JOSEPH NOVENA BROCHURE AVAILABLE!

Deepen your devotion to St. Joseph with our Novena Prayer Brochure, now available at the Welcome Desk. Pick up a copy and join us in prayer as we seek the intercession of St. Joseph. Visit the Welcome Desk to get yours today!

**St. Joseph, pray for us!**



## PRAYER REQUEST FOR DIOCESAN MINISTERS



Please pray for the following Diocesan Ministers:

Sunday, March 9 - Deacon Andre Dedecker  
 Monday, March 10 - Ms. Betty Hompoth, Pastoral Minister  
 Tuesday, March 11 - Deacon Victor Salazar  
 Wednesday, March 12 - Rev. Gerard Bedard  
 Thursday, March 13 - Deacon James Vandersanden  
 Friday, March 14 - Mrs. Ali Chinnick, Catechist  
 Saturday, March 15 - Rev. Russell (Rusty) Shantz

## LAST CALL FOR 2025 LOTTERY CALENDARS!

Last year we sold just over 1100 calendar tickets with a profit of \$26,627 shared between our three parishes. To date we have sold just over 800 tickets and we only have one month left to sell. We are asking everyone in the family of parishes to consider asking a friend to buy a calendar or perhaps you have a birthday of someone coming up that you could gift them one. There are still over \$12,000 in cash and prizes to be won and one \$25.00 ticket still has over 300 chances to win. So, get creative and help us surpass our sales from last year. All proceeds go to our capital fund which will be used to repair and upgrade areas of our churches. You can get your ticket at St. Justin's parish office during the week or after masses on the weekends. We now accept debit and credit on the weekends. Thank you as always for your support.



## FISH FRY



On **Friday, March 14**, we will gather in Fred Merrill Hall for good food, sparkling conversation, and friends. Enjoy a complete dinner with haddock fish or chicken strips, fries or baked potato, coleslaw, a roll, a drink, and dessert. Eat-in or take-out is available from 4:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

**The cost is \$20 for adults and \$5 for children. See you there!**

## USED ROSARIES WANTED

Do you have rosaries sitting around? Our RCIA program could use them as we teach our new Catholics how to use this powerful prayer tool. Please deposit them in the container on the welcome desk. **Thank you.**

## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday Offertory amounts for:  
 Sunday, March 1/2, 2025 was  
**\$6,492.75**

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