



London South Catholic Family of Parishes

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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

6:00 PM - St. Francis-St. Martin **Eng**
6:00 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**

FILIPINO COMMUNITY MASS

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

ADORATION TIMES

Thursday

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

Friday

8:30 AM - St. Justin

RECONCILIATION TIMES

Tuesday - Friday

5:30 PM - St. Leopold Mandic
Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday
5:30 PM - St. Francis-St. Martin

Wednesday

6:00 PM - St. Justin

Saturday

11:00 AM - St. Justin

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.

NEW PARISHIONER

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



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PASTOR'S PEN

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY - MAY 26, 2024

"As human beings, we're a mystery to ourselves and often our own worst enemies. Our inner complexity befuddles us, and nowhere is this truer than in our struggle with love and intimacy." - Fr. Ron Rolheiser

Today on Trinity Sunday we come face to face with the greatest mystery of all - God and God's inner life. What we know of God is from God's self and definitive revelation, Jesus - the Word Made Flesh. We know that "God is love" (1John 4:8). We know that the inner life of God is love, relational love. St. Bonaventure (1221-1274) put it this way. "Called the Trinity a 'fountain fullness' of love. God is unhindered dialogue, a positive and inclusive flow, an eternal waterwheel of self-emptying and outpouring love - that knows it can completely self-empty because it will always be filled back up. This is the very definition and description of divine love; all human love merely imitates, approximates, and celebrates this same pattern." (R. Rohr) So, imagine a waterwheel that empties to fill another bucket and then itself is filled. Of course, these are imperfect human images but the best we can do to describe the indescribable. We do our contemplation of God on our knees, waiting patiently for God's response. God is not a problem to be solved but a mystery to be entered. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Our third installment of "Church Etiquette" [The Liturgy of the Word.](#)

We are fed by two "tables" or two "altars" at Mass: the table of the Word and the table of His Body and Blood.

We have a 3-year cycle in our Sunday readings: A-Matthew, B-Mark, and C-Luke, and a 2-year cycle for weekday readings Series 1 and 2.

Most of the Liturgy of the Word is made up of readings from Scripture. On Sundays and solemnities, there are three Scripture readings. During most of the year, the first reading is from the Old Testament and the second reading is from one of the New Testament letters. During Easter Time, the first reading is taken from the Acts of the Apostles which tells the story of the Church in its earliest days. The last reading is always taken from one of the four Gospels" USCCB

The Responsorial Psalm is sung between the readings. The psalm helps us to meditate on the word of God.

"The high point of the Liturgy of the Word is the reading of the Gospel. Because the Gospels tell of the life, ministry, and preaching of Christ, it receives several special signs of honour and reverence. The gathered assembly stands to hear the Gospel and it is introduced by an acclamation of praise. Apart from Lent, that acclamation is "Alleluia," derived from a Hebrew phrase meaning, "Praise the Lord!" A deacon (or, if no deacon is present, a priest) reads the Gospel." USCCB

We sit for the 1st reading and responsorial psalm and the second reading (if there is one), and we always stand for the Gospel. Now a question - just before the Gospel reading, the celebrant leads us in the gesture with our thumbs making the sign of the cross on our foreheads, lips, and hearts. Who created this and why? As early as the ninth century, the faithful were making the sign of the cross on their forehead and breast at the reading of the Gospel. Then, in the 11th century, we find the deacon and the faithful making the sign of the cross on the forehead, mouth, and breast after the words, "A reading of the holy gospel . . ." (Jungmann, Mass of the Roman Rite).

According to Jungmann, the original idea of this signing of oneself is probably indicated in the scriptural text frequently cited in this connection, the quotation about the wicked enemy who is anxious to take the seed of the word of God away from the hearts of hearers (Mark 4:15). But another explanation takes over by degrees; an ever-increasing stress is placed on the readiness to acknowledge God's word with courage. The meaning is this: For the word which Christ brought and which is set down in this book we are willing to stand up with a mind that is open, we are ready to confess it with our mouth, and above all we are determined to safeguard it faithfully in our hearts. (CIN-Origin of the Sign of the Cross, Father Mateo, July 28, 1991)

This brings us to the homily which is to explain the sacred Scripture and apply it to our everyday lives. It is to be an encouragement, a help to live in our daily lives the scripture we have heard. Pope Francis has said that a homily should provide, "a thought, a feeling, and an image, so that the people may bring something home with them....homilies are "sacramentals" to be "prepared in prayer" and "with an apostolic spirit," he said.

Have a wonderful week my friends.

Fr. Christopher

HERE & NOW RETREAT - JUNE 1, 2024

Celebrate your identity as a child of God at an event in St. Justin's Parish Hall on June 1, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Register early for a day of prayer, reflection, and discussion.

Lunch is provided, and resources are available in Spanish and English.

TODAY'S READINGS

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

1st Reading

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22

2nd Reading

Rom 8:14-17

Gospel Mt 28:16-20

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION

MAY 2024 FOR THE FORMATION OF RELIGIOUS AND SEMINARIANS

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM

If you want to have your child baptized, contact **Delia Pardo**, Pastoral Minister at (519)433-8175 Ext. 226 or via email: dpardo@dol.ca

For more Sacramental information, visit our website: londonouthcatholic.ca/liturgia-liturgia.



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St. Justin's Parish

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, MAY 28 @ 6:30 PM

- (+) Anthony De Melo Mendonca Family
- (+) Gerry Slegers St. Justin CWL
- (+) Gloria Vega de Baracaldo Diana Malabet
- (+) Sandra Parra Diana Malabet
- (+) Nick Delich K. Mildred

WEDNESDAY, May 29 @ 6:30 PM

- (+) Margaret Felix Opdecam Family
- (+) Derek Walter Hitchens Knights of Columbus
- (+) Armando & Silvana Frias Joe & Rosa Frias

THURSDAY, May 30 @ 8:00 AM

- (+) Theresa Hatcher K. Mildred

FRIDAY, May 31 @ 8:00 AM

Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- (+) Joanne Forrest Fr. Christopher
- (+) Carol Szeryk McLaughlin Family

PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND OCTOBER 17-30, 2024

Fr. John Jasica and Mary Catherine will be leading a pilgrimage to Poland from Oct. 17-30, 2024. To receive a copy of the itinerary, please contact Mary Catherine at mcbishop@nexioncanada.com or call 519-619-1279.

Copies of the brochure are also available on the parish welcome desk.

PRE-PLAN YOUR CATHOLIC FUNERAL

Attend the "Preparing Your Future – Funerals, Wills & Estate Planning" workshop on **Thursday, May 30th, from 7-8:30 pm at St. Justin's Parish Hall.**

Topics include: Pre-planning Catholic funerals, cremation facts, wills, power of attorney, and estate planning. Guest speakers are:

- Fr. Christopher Bourdeau, John Donohue, Ken Duggan, and Joseph Rodrigues.

You don't need to register; please bring a friend. This workshop helps ensure your funeral aligns with your Catholic faith, relieving your loved ones from difficult decisions during their time of grief.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS YARD SALE

Saturday, June 1, from 9 AM to 2 PM at St. Francis-St. Martin's Parish, 46 Cathcart St., London Vendor's welcome! To reserve a table or for more information please contact Chad at 226-559-2402

ROSARY - MAY 2024

In the month of May, we will be reciting the rosary 30 minutes before every Mass.

This recitation of the rosary will be for the ending of the wars between Russia, Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza.

The Knights of Columbus, the CWL, and other organizations within the parish will be asked to provide leaders so that someone will lead the prayers at every Mass.

They will lead the rosary from the lectern. **Please come early and join us in prayer.**

CWL PRESENTS COFFEE SUNDAY WITH SAVE A FAMILY PLAN (SAFP)

Join us for Coffee Sunday following 8:30 and 11 am Mass on Sunday, June 9. Presented by our CWL, we will be hosting representatives from Save A Family Plan, an international social justice organization based at St. Peter's Seminary in London, Ontario. Their mission is to work together with extremely poor families and villages in India to break the cycle of poverty. In the words of Bishop Fabbro, "SAFP is an organization that belongs to all of us: parishioners, clergy, religious, Knights of Columbus, Catholic Women's League, prayer groups, Catholic teachers, and students." Coffee and treats will be provided courtesy of the St. Justin's CWL. **All are welcome!**

RETRouvaille WEEKEND AUGUST 16 - 18, 2024

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EUCHRE TOURNEY & LUNCH

FRIDAY, May 31, 2024 at St. Justin's Parish Hall

Cards & Lunch - \$15; Cards only - \$10
Lunch is from 11:30-12:30 PM; Cards from 12:30-4:00 PM

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sunday, May 18/19, 2024 is \$5,823.20

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