



CENTRAL ESSEX COUNTY CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

Serving Christ in the Heart of the County

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"The Family of Parishes model will enable our priests despite their declining numbers, to continue to minister to the needs of our people. Parishes can work together to be more effective in their mission with hope, patience, prayer, and hard work. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit we will be a vibrant, mission oriented Church."

Bishop Ronald Fabbro
Diocese of London



Dear Friends in Christ,

August 7, 2020

The early Christian community prayed together and supported one another to spread the gospel message. They were committed in their missionary zeal to bring the message of Jesus to different communities. Even in the midst of uncertainties and unknowns they saw the many challenges as an opportunity to share their stories of relationship with Jesus. They were very intentional about the proclamation of the Good News and open to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. Thus communities of believers were formed. We have a similar responsibility of sharing the gospel message in our communities.

The Family of Parishes is a missionary model envisaged to bring all our faith communities together, to equip everyone to have a personal relationship with Jesus, and to form disciples of Jesus. Any growth necessarily involves change and change is challenging. In any such situation we experience a tension between our expectations and reality. The invitation then is to accept the fact that change is necessary and there is a reason for this change – in our case to focus on a mission oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus. Let us pray and support one another and be open to the Holy Spirit and to new ways of evangelization. May we use our many varied gifts and resources in an effective proclamation of the Gospel. It is a process and will take time.

A transition team representing all four parishes was formed in January 2020. I am grateful for the hard work and input of the transition team on various areas like naming the Family of Parishes, developing the weekend/weekday Mass schedule, the integration of ministries, developing a pastoral plan for our spiritual growth, the office location, financial sharing, etc. They gathered regularly to pray, discuss and discern how to move forward as a hospitable and vibrant community to celebrate and share our faith in the Family of Parishes model. This new model of Family of Parishes requires patience, understanding with hope and a spirit of openness. It calls us to move beyond our comfort zone to encourage one another to enter into a personal relationship with Jesus.

The pastoral demands in our Family of Parishes are many and we have limited resources at hand to meet them all. We had to make many decisions using the best possible methods of evaluation of the available data with a desire to address new realities as best we could. We will evaluate the situation as we move forward so that adjustments can be made based on our lived experience.

Bishop Fabbro approved a name, The Central Essex County Catholic Family of Parishes - Serving Christ in the Heart of the County, and a new weekend/weekday Mass schedule for our Family of Parishes. You may find more details on the reverse side. It will be activated **September 1st, 2020**. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns. We are committed to ensuring this transition as smooth as possible.

As the saying goes, popular decisions are not always right and right decisions are not always popular. We will get through this together. Come Holy Spirit, come!

In Christ,
Father Seejo, Pastor

“Consult not your fears but your hopes and your dreams. Think not about your frustrations but your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in but with what it is still possible for you to do.”

Pope John XXIII

PARISH LOCATIONS AND MASS TIMES



ST. CLEMENT PARISH

Est. 1880

9567 County Road 11, McGregor

SUNDAY MASS AT 9:45 AM

HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH

Est. 1887

146 Talbot St. S., Essex

SATURDAY MASS AT 6 PM

SUNDAY MASS AT 11 AM

LIFE TEEN MASS ON 4TH SUNDAY AT 6 PM



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH

Est. 1874

1688 County Road 46, Woodslee

SATURDAY MASS AT 4:30 PM

ST. MARY PARISH

Est. 1846

12048 County Road 34, Maidstone

SUNDAY MASS AT 8:30 AM



DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

ST. CLEMENT PARISH	TUESDAY	7:00 PM
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH	WEDNESDAY	8:30 AM
ST. MARY PARISH	THURSDAY	8:30 AM
HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH	FRIDAY	8:30 AM
	SATURDAY	8:30 AM

*CONFESSIONS

ST. CLEMENT PARISH	TUESDAY	6:15 - 6:45 PM
ST. MARY PARISH	THURSDAY	9:00 - 9:30 AM
HOLY NAME OF JESUS PARISH	SATURDAY	9:00 - 9:30 AM
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH	SATURDAY	3:45 - 4:15 PM

*OR BY APPOINTMENT

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