

Announced Masses

St. James Parish, Seaforth

WED. MAY 23	6 - 7 pm 7:00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Intentions of Mike & Cecelia Foltz (50th Wedding Anniv) - Jerry & Heather Int. of the Godparents of Isaiah Sills - Don & Lindsay Sills Cronin <i>Reg Dick (2nd Anniv) and living and deceased relatives of the Kenny, Dick and Fell families - Mrs. Louise Dick</i>
FRI. MAY 25	9:15 am	Fred & Gary Malone - Len & Audrey O'Rourke Joe Van Dooren - Bill & Martha Murray and family Joan McIver - Rita Moylan
SAT. MAY 26	9:00 am - - - 9:30 am	Praying the Rosary For world peace and healing Brad Ferguson - Kevin & Geraldine Coyne Isabelle Culliton - Rose Ann Simonsen
SUN. MAY 27	5:00 pm 9:00 am	St. James Parish Family St. James Parish Family



St. Patrick's Parish, Dublin

TUES. MAY 22		No Mass today
THURS. MAY 24	6 - 7 pm 7:00 pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Garry Van Loon - Jo and family Agnes Flanagan - Barb & John Freriks Frank Crowley - Ferg & Anne Kelly
SUN. MAY 27	11:00 am	St. Patrick's Parish Family

Pre-Authorized Donations will soon be available for the convenience of St. Patrick's and St. James parishioners.

NEWLY BAPTIZED...



Welcome *Charlie Walkom*, son of Steve & Leanne (nee: Murray) and *Norah Finnigan*, daughter of Franklyn & Amanda (nee: Murray) who were both baptized on Saturday, May 12th during Mass at St. James Church.

PRAYING THE ROSARY IN DUBLIN...



St. Patrick's CWL will be praying the rosary before Mass in Dublin during the month of May in honour of Our Blessed Mother. We invite you to join us in honouring our ultimate intercessor!

PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS...

As individuals, as families and as communities, pray for your pastors, your priest-chaplains and all of the priests who have touched your life over the years. Pray that they may be faithful and constant in carrying out the mission of Christ and that they may be reinvigorated and strengthened this month.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION...



May 13, 2018: SEAFORTH: Regular env. \$2,162.60, loose \$177.85, Building Fund \$335.00. *Thank you for your generosity!*
DUBLIN: Regular env. \$805.00, loose \$57.00. *Thank you for your generosity!*

Fr. Clare is attending the Priests' Retreat May 28 to June 1. The diocesan website contains several Prayers for Priests at www.dol.ca. Go to "Prayer & Worship" on the top bar. On the left select 'Common Retreat for Priests' where you will find 3 prayers.

For online donations go to www.CanadaHelps.org and search for "St Patrick's Church Dublin". Tax receipts will be issued for all donations.

CONFIRMATION

Our Confirmation Retreat this past Thursday was an incredible success! I'd like to thank ALL the volunteers who helped make it the success that it was! **Confirmation is on Sunday, May 27 at 2:00 p.m.** at St. James Church. Please keep our kids in your prayers. *Karen Doyle - CYM*

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Monday, May 21 we are finally getting to dodge ball. Who would have thought we would have an ice storm in April? We will be meeting at St. Patrick's School 7:00 p.m. Then over to our hall for a short program and snacks.

Franciscan Youth Conference July 20-22. The cost for Steubenville is \$273.00 per person. This year we need to cover or partly cover some young people to go. I am very grateful for all your support for this youth conference. Our teen program has grown significantly and I believe this conference is one of the reasons why. I have posted a promo on our Facebook page. Please check it out. You will be happily surprised.

Karen Doyle - CYM

Please check out our Facebook page: **St Patrick's Dublin / St James Seaforth Youth Ministry**

ELECTION GUIDE FOR CATHOLICS...

With a provincial election coming in the next month, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto - as they have done in the past - has put together an Election Guide for Catholics, together with sample questions to ask of election candidates. These are available online at <http://www.catholiccharitiestor.org/Special-Pages/Ontario-Election-Guide-2018.aspx>. As the website states, "When you cast your vote in the Ontario General Election to elect members to Ontario's Legislative Assembly you want them to create a more democratic society, robust economy, environmentally sustainable future and one that safeguards basic human dignity."

ST. PATRICK'S CWL NEWS...

To honour all the mothers in our parish on Mother's Day, St. Patrick's CWL has made a donation to 'Right to Life'. We ask God's blessings for all mothers and pray for protection for all unborn children.

MOTHER'S DAY DRAW RESULTS...

WINNERS of the St. James Mother's Day Draw are as follows: 1st Prize: 50/50 Draw in the amount of \$1,005.66 was *Louise Dick*; 2nd Prize: \$100.00 was *Diane Preszcator*; 3rd Prize: \$75.00 was *Nellie Jansen*.

Congratulations to all! Thank you to all the people who sold tickets and those who purchased tickets. Your participation is appreciated!

ST. JAMES CWL NEWS...

Please join us on **June 5 at 6:00 p.m.** at Kate's Station for dinner. There will be a sign up sheet at the back of the church. We will meet at 5:30 p.m. at St. James Church if you want to carpool. **Save the Date** and join us for good food and fellowship! Call *Mary Verberne* at 519-522-0967 for any questions or sign up.

ANNUAL CHICKEN BBQ DINNER...

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus on Thursday, May 31 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at the Kinburn Hall. Take-out available. Adults \$18 (half a chicken), Youth 6 – 12 \$9 and children 6 and under are FREE. Advance tickets only. Contact Joe 519-801-8549; Gerry Vanden Hengel 519-527-0845, Gary Cronin 519-345-2404 or George Kreutzwiser 519-527-1482.

DO YOU LIKE CHILDREN?

Looking for noon-hour monitors for both St. Columban and St. Patrick's Schools for 2018-19 school year. Two hours daily or willing to accommodate a select day schedule or on a supply basis. If you enjoy working with children and may be interested in helping us out please contact Principal, Ms. Dianne Vivian at 519-345-2086.

ROOM2GROW FUNDRAISER...

Our Baby Bottle Campaign is the biggest fundraiser yearly for the Room2Grow Pregnancy Centre. *Helen Van Bakel* will be at the entrance of St. James Church on **May 19 & 20** to give out bottles and sign your name on the list. These will be returned on Father's Day, so clean out your pockets and fill up your bottle! All donations over \$20 will receive a tax receipt. Thank you for your generous help.

ADVENTURE FOR CHILDREN...

Get onboard Cat Chat Airlines and take off on a Radical Ride around the world with Amazing Angels and Super Saints. Buckle up as you prepare to soar through awesome lessons about prayer and how to put it into action! This adventure will take place in the mornings from July 16-20, 2018 in Kinkora. The cost is \$25 per person and is open to children born from 2006-2013. Please email KinkoraVBS@gmail.com for registration forms. Register early as spaces are limited. Registration deadline is **May 31, 2018**. For more info. contact Sonja Huitema (519-348-0920) or Maria Walsh (519-393-8893).

The Vision:

A Church that goes out

I dream of a “missionary option”, that is, a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything, so that the Church’s customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today’s world rather than for her self-preservation. The renewal of structures demanded by pastoral conversion can only be understood in this light: as part of an effort to make them more mission-oriented, to make ordinary pastoral activity on every level more inclusive and open, to inspire in pastoral workers a constant desire to go forth and in this way to elicit a positive response from all those whom Jesus summons to friendship with himself (Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, 27).

In his apostolic exhortation, *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel), Pope Francis offers us a vision for the Church; a Church that is missionary-oriented, that goes out and proclaims the Good News in word and deed.



A Missionary Parish:

Reaches out to all and shares with them the Good News. By its love it invites and accompanies all to encounter Jesus. It welcomes all.

Educates and forms those who have embraced the Gospel so that they can live as disciples of Jesus, preparing all to celebrate the sacraments fully and fruitfully. It offers on-going evangelization and catechesis, and prepares people for leadership roles in the Church.

Exercises a ministry of love, strengthening its parishioners to live their faith boldly and to share it through witness and outreach to others. Its missionary spirit is made visible and lasting through involvement in social projects, particularly those that serve our brothers and sisters who are poor and marginalized. It promotes everyone’s right to life and the blessings due to every human person.

The missionary mandate of Jesus to evangelize has various aspects, all of which however, are closely connected with each other. They proclaim the Good News in word and action:

- ✓ **Call others to discipleship and teach**
- ✓ **Witness**
- ✓ **Baptize**
- ✓ **Celebrate the Eucharist**
- ✓ **Love one another**

“Proclamation, witness, teaching, sacraments, love of neighbour: all of these aspects are the means by which the one Gospel is transmitted and they constitute the essential elements of evangelization itself” (Congregation for the Clergy, *General Directory for Catechesis*, 46).

Called by Jesus through baptism into his passion, death and resurrection and anointed by the Spirit, we, the people of God in the Diocese of London, are to be living signs of Christ's presence in the world today. United in Christ, the Bread of Life, we commit ourselves to carrying out the mission of proclaiming the coming of the kingdom of God in our time. We embrace the Gospel – believing what we read, preaching what we believe, and practicing what we preach. (Bishop Ronald Fabbro)

To be missionary-oriented means we must be rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ, renewed by the Holy Spirit, refreshed by prayer, and radiating joy as we serve others. This is our hope for all our parishes and our vision for the Families of Parishes. We pray that, filled with the Holy Spirit, we may begin to proclaim the Good News, in word and in action, and that the Lord would send out the Holy Spirit and renew the face of the earth!



Bishop Fabbro in his Pastoral Plan of the Diocese of London, *Embracing a Future Full of Hope*, identifies several key priorities which focus the energies of the diocese so that the Gospel would take root in the life of the Church. The Pastoral Plan affirms much that is already being done in parishes. Its six goal statements establish a clear focus for us as we continue to grow as missionary-oriented parishes.

The six goal statements of the Pastoral Plan call for:

- Goal 1 ***Spiritual Renewal and Personal Holiness***
- Goal 2 ***Evangelizing and Teaching***
- Goal 3 ***Ministering with Justice and Compassion***
- Goal 4 ***Meaningful Liturgical Celebration***
- Goal 5 ***Support ongoing Formation***
- Goal 6 ***Christ-like Servant leadership***

The Church which “goes forth” is a community of missionary disciples who take the first step, who are involved and supportive, who bear fruit and rejoice (Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*. 24).

This is the first in a series of five information pieces introducing the plan for the Future Care of Parishes. Watch for part 2 coming soon: “Equipping the Saints”

Bulletin Announcement:

1. **Discernment and Nomination Process** – I would like to thank everyone who responded and prayed during our recent discernment process for nominations for parish leadership. We received a good response and over 50 names were brought forward for consideration. The present parish pastoral Council (PPC) received the list of names and at their last meeting they review them as well as the present needs of the PPC. After much discussion and discernment I'm pleased to announce that the following parishioners will be coming on to the PPC:

- Cathy Garrick
- Angela Looby
- Frank Vincent
- Mark Vogels

The remaining list of names will be passed on to the finance and building committees for their discernment for new members for their committees.

At this time I would also like to thank the outgoing members of the PPC in recognition for their years of service to the parish and for the help that they gave during these past years of transition. The thanks of the parish go out to:

- Melita Cronin
- Mary Helen Van Loon

2. **Parish Photo Directory** – We are looking into the possibility of publishing another parish photo directory, the last was published in 2008 – we have all changed since then! It was felt that this would be important, especially as we prepare ourselves for the Family of Parishes. However in order to move forward with this project we will need volunteers from both parishes. If you are interested in this short-term project please contact a member of the PPC or myself.
3. **Parish Picnic** – we will be hosting a parish picnic for both parishes this year – on July 22, 2018 at the Seaforth Lions Park. We will have a common mass at 10 AM in the morning at St. James Seaforth, like we did for the Family Day that was held in St. Patrick's in Dublin in February of this year. **Help will be needed!** There will be more information in upcoming bulletins – please save the date.
4. **PPC Minutes** – the minutes of our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) meetings can be found on the parish website.