



ST. PHILIP'S PARISH

SERVING THE PEOPLE OF GOD IN CENTRAL LAMBTON
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Welcome. "A few updates below" PLEASE READ

On August 14th, Petrolia implemented a by-law requiring the wearing of Masks in all public spaces, including places of worship. Exemptions to the by-law include but not limited to:

- *A child who is under the age of nine (9) years old;
- *A person who is unable to wear a face covering as a result of a medical condition or a disability pursuant to the Human Rights Code, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.19, who is unable to put on or remove a face covering without assistance or for whom a face covering would inhibit the person's ability to breathe;
- *A person while consuming food or drink as part of a religious activity within a place of worship.
- * No person shall be required to provide proof of any of the exemptions. IF YOU ARE ABLE WE ASK YOU TO PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASK WHILE YOU ARE IN THE CHURCH.

Tuesday, September 15th 7:00 pm

† Hendrika VanGorp

Offered by friends

Wednesday, September 16th 8:30 am

† Shirley St. Pierre

Offered by Luke & Carol St. Pierre

Thursday, September 17th 8:30 am

† Deceased members of the VanderVloet & Meeuwssen Families

Offered by Estate of Frank VanderVloet

Friday, September 18th 8:30am

† Frances Verhoeven

Offered by Leroy & Johanna Dubuque

Saturday, September 19th 8:30 am

† Angela Martin

Offered by Michael & Cathy Martin

Share Lent

Back in March as Covid-19 was just getting into full swing, the Bishop announced that the "Share Lent" collection for the Holy Land would be postponed. The share Lent collection will now take place next weekend. September 19th and 20th.

Some of you have already contributed, either through your weekly envelopes or automatic withdrawal. Please be assured these monies have been set aside, and will be sent with funds that are collected next weekend.

As always, especially in these difficult times we truly appreciate our parishioners financial commitment, to our parish and all special collections.

ATTENTION POST SECONDARY STUDENTS

The Holy Rosary CWL, and the Clasina Van Geffin Bursary applications are posted on our Parish Website. Criteria for applications are also posted.

Applications Due by September 30th, 2020.

Any Questions, Please contact Denise in the office.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings all carry reference to the central theme of forgiveness and the importance of showing God's mercy to others in order to receive it ourselves.

In the Gospel, Jesus uses the parable of the unforgiving servant to teach of the need to always forgive our neighbour. We hear today about a man who pleads for forgiveness but is unwavering in his refusal to grant the same. This ironic tale showing the hypocrisy of society aptly presents both the power and difficulty of forgiveness. As recited in the Lord's Prayer and detailed in the readings of today's Mass, we are challenged to demonstrate our desire for God's unconditional love and compassion through our practice of the Golden Rule each day.

We are reminded in today's Gospel how new life through forgiveness far outweighs the cost of any debt owed. Yet, just as the king's remission of the servant's debt mirrors God's invaluable and boundless grace, we, too, must never overlook our calling and responsibility to model the same to each of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

For as we will one day be judged based on our life's body of work as testament of our faith, let us always seek to reflect Jesus' love by modelling his forgiving mercy in both words and deeds.

Matt Charbonneau

Ottawa, ON

First Reading: Sirach 27.30-28.7

Psalms: 103

Second Reading: Romans 14.7-9

Gospel: Matthew 18.21-35

If you have any questions or concerns, Denise, our parish secretary can be reached at dannett@dol.ca or her personal cell phone 519-384-9588.

If you need assistance making your monetary donations,

Denise can help you make it easy. Please contact her for help.

Sarnia/ Lambton Right to Life

Canada has over 100,000 abortions and 5,000 euthanasia a year, with a portion of that right here at Bluewater Health. With over 588 cities and a million participants world-wide, which 92% of say they have flourished spiritually.

40 days for life, starts September 23rd and is 12 hours a day from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., free parking at Central Baptist Church just west of the hospital on London Road. For more information visit website at 40daysforlife.com/sarnia To sign up as an individual or a group for vigil hrs, go to the signup calendar. We can take a stand by standing together in prayer...

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