

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday January 16 8:00am	Russell Sauv� ~ the family Leonard Trepanier ~ May Durocher Joe King ~ Irene King & family
Wednesday January 17 8:00am	Roland Poisson ~ Lon & Beth Jeffrey Ken Farano ~ Ray & Theresa Bracken Art Chauvin (6 th Ann.) ~ the family
Thursday January 18 8:00 am	Gilles St. Pierre ~ Anne St. Pierre Bill Snyder ~ Wayne & Kathy Harcus Xuan Huynh ~ Luong family
Thursday January 18 10:00am	CHAPEL AT SEASONS LAKESHORE Madeleine Tremblay ~ Alice Reaume & Arthemise Marentette Rev. Patrick Fuerth ~ Mike & Theresa Mullins Ernie Bezaire ~ Don & Rita Hamelin
Friday January 19 9:30am	St. Joseph; those dying & in purgatory ~ parishioners Robert Hladki ~ Dan & Yvonne Vickerd James, Sheila, Raymond Power ~ Seamus & Janice
Saturday January 20 9:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ parishioners Bernadette (50 th Ann.) ~ Moe & Rachelle Peltier Theresa Papineau ~ Mae Tremblay

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION

The registration form is now available for First Reconciliation and First Communion. It can be found at the church entrance, at the parish office and on the parish website. There is a **parents' only** meeting on **Wednesday January 24, 2018 at 7:00pm** in the parish hall. Registration for these sacraments will be accepted at the parent meeting. It is important we receive your registration at this meeting. Thank you for your cooperation.

*If you have any questions, please call our
Pastoral Minister, Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Marguerite Hewer at 519-728-3381 ext#29*

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
The K of C needs more members as our population ages. Please consider joining us. For more info, please contact the K of C office and leave a message at 519-728-2828.

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

- TUESDAY JANUARY 16**
- Pastoral Council meeting, 6:30pm
 - Prayer gathering every Tuesday, 7:15pm
- WEDNESDAY JANUARY 17**
- Staff meeting, 11:30am
 - Youth Group, 3:30pm - 5:00pm, Hall
- THURSDAY JANUARY 18**
- Choir practice every Thursday, 7:00pm
 - Bingo every Thursday, 7:00pm, Hall
- SUNDAY JANUARY 21**
- Youth Involved Mass, 11:00am

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Fr. Antony Kolenchery	Gayle Lepine
Sue Hofgartner	Jeff Powell
Mary Jo Battaglia	Gerald Quinn
Denise Deimling	Jeanne Setler
Meghan Lauzon	Marguerite Hewer

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Fr. Antony Kolenchery	Angela Rice
Sue Hofgartner	Pam Trepanier
Debbie Baldi	Simon Ducharme
Michael Deimling	

MEDIA CENTRE

Media of the month: CD001 "Finding Happiness in Marriage" by Dr. Tim Gray

Start the New Year right! Feed your soul by creating a new habit! Read a good spiritual book, listen to a spiritual CD or enjoy a spiritual movie. You can find the list of resources on the parish website under media centre. We always need your media donations which can be deposited in the pink box near the Media Centre. If you need advice in your search for a good resource or help using the Centre, please do not hesitate to call us at 519-715-9406 or email us at bilorich@hotmail.com and we would be more than happy to help you.

Remember GOOD BOOKS or MEDIA are food for the soul.

ST. SIMON & ST. JUDE PARISH

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Closed between 12 pm & 1 pm

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MORNING MASSES
Tuesday - Thursday 8:00 am
Friday 9:30 am & Saturday 9:00 am

RECONCILIATION
Saturday 9:30 am - 10:30 am



2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
January 14, 2018

MISSION STATEMENT

ST. SIMON & ST. JUDE IS A VIBRANT, LIFE-GIVING, CHRIST-CENTERED PARISH COMMUNITY THAT IS GENEROUSLY AVAILABLE AND CHALLENGING IN THE TRUEST SENSE OF THE GOSPEL MESSAGE.

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FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. ANTONY



My Dearest Parishioners in Jesus Christ,

To be God is to be a caller, inviter, initiator, father and lover. A God who does not beckon, beget and befriend me and whom I do not experience as One who beckons, begets and befriends me is a false God, worthy neither of belief nor of worship.

For man, to be, is to be called, to have a vocation. Our response makes our life authentic. Responding not only befits a man, it makes him. Response is a radical decision, a fundamental choice. If calling is proper to God, response is proper to man. The counterpart of the calling God is the responding man. What happens when a person responds positively to the invitation of the other? A relationship starts; a relationship of dialogue. And for better or worse, their lives will not be the same again, both here on earth and beyond.

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INFORMATION ON THE SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS
Please call the office to register and make an appointment with our Pastoral Minister - Sue Hofgartner

ANointing OF THE SICK
This is primarily a sacrament of physical healing and spiritual strengthening. The sacrament is administered to those facing serious surgery or illness. If you desire this sacrament please call Fr. Antony. We offer a communal Anointing Service in the Spring and Fall.

MARRIAGE
Couples desiring to marry please call the office and contact Fr. Antony. Arrangements must be made at least nine months prior to the wedding.

WE THANK THE FOLLOWING FOR GENEROUSLY SUPPORTING OUR BULLETIN:

Floor Coverings International	519-735-5515
Lanoue Insurance Brokers Ltd.	519-728-1432
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Melady Funeral Home by Arbor Memorial	www.meladyfuneral.ca
Michael Sutton - Managing Funeral Director	- 519-728-1500

FROM FR. ANTONY, continued

What can happen when one of the dialogue partners is God, whose call makes us to be, in whom we live, move and have our being, who created us for Himself so that our hearts are restless until they rest in Him? Changes are bound to happen. Change of name for example. Simon became Cephas. The change of name is not just external; it is a sign of internal, attitudinal change of heart and mind. Therefore Samuel spontaneously pleaded, "Speak, Lord, for Your servant hears."

Once the love-dialogue begins between God and a person, it will not only be written in the scroll of the book, but in the secret folds and inner chambers of one's heart, that the only worthwhile thing is to do the will of God.

Man's heart delights in God's law, God's law of love, God's covenant of love, in God's friendship. It is not a superficial delight; it is a delight in the depth of the heart, a profound delight, deeply experienced.

Man needs God to call him into life. He needs God to keep him in life. He needs God to call him, to invite him to a higher, nobler life. He needs God to call him to the right path when he goes astray. Man is a lonely loafer on the highway of life, wasting his time in marketplaces; still he is called to the vineyard. He is a sheep lost in the wilderness till the Good Shepherd calls him by name and lifts him up. And, at the end of his life, man needs God to invite him, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father!"

As we pray over these readings today, let us ask ourselves: **In my day-to-day life, how do I recognize God's call? What is my usual response to God's call: Readiness or Resistance?**

With kindest regards,
Fr. Antony Kolenchery

FROM OUR PASTORAL MINISTER, COORDINATOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY

With a new year we ponder resolutions or best ways to move forward. It's good sometimes, to take pause to review the past year, even the past *day*, not with regrets, but through the healing, hope-giving, lens of Gratitude. Remembering those who went before me, showed care, encouraged, welcomed, inspired, accepted me as I am. Did I thank them? Thank God for them? If I enjoyed food, running water, clothing, love of family, a heated home, job, transportation, a school to attend, warm showers on cold mornings, a spectacular sunset, was I thankful? For many have gone without.

Jesus taught us to give thanks to our Father, even before we receive. Jesus, our Friend and Healer knew all along what medical research recently confirmed: That an "Attitude of gratitude", prayer and faith bring great healing benefits. They make us more patient, open doors to healthier relationships, improve physical, emotional and spiritual health, and reduce aggression (bullying!). Research also shows that grateful people sleep better, improve in self-care, self-esteem, enhanced empathy for others, and tend to stop over-eating. Gratitude eases depression, gives happiness that lasts. The list goes on. How often Jesus said "Your faith has made you well!" Looks like gratitude can help us keep New Year's resolutions – better yet – gratitude can BE a New Year's resolution!

Loving God, Author of all grace and healing, today, let me resolve to thankfully take joy in the privilege of my most ordinary circumstances, tasks and chores... With every dish I wash, may I remember there was food and be thankful. For many wait for food, have no dish or table to sit around. May my prayers and actions help those more in need than myself in gratitude for the abundance I have already been given and yet to come.

A New Year's Challenge for our Dear Youth: Find a pocket-sized journal at a dollar store. Each night, before going to sleep, write down two things you were thankful to God for that day. (You may think of way more! God's love is seen even in the ordinary circumstances of your life!) In the silence, **Share your hopes with God, ask Him your questions, then simply listen in the quiet of your heart as young Samuel did, in this Sunday's Gospel.** You'll fall asleep counting your blessings instead of stressing about tomorrow. You'll soon find that, the more you look for where God was in your day, the more God will show you. The more you thank God for everything, the more God will bless you with. Your friendship with God will grow all your life. One day, you may re-visit your "Attitude of Gratitude" Journal... And you'll see how God has been with you, all along, loving and guiding you, and always will! This will inspire you with hope for what lies ahead in life. Blessed, safe and beautiful New Year, friends! With prayers and gratitude, for the gift you are to our faith family, Marguerite.

PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

DIANE REAUME	DIANE LAUZON	RICHARD HARGREAVES
KIM O'NEIL	CLAIRE RUGGABER	RENE TELLIER
LISA BOND	A.J. LALIBERTE	THERESA BEAULIEU
LUCILLE TELLIER	LOUANNE HAMELIN	MAY DUROCHER
MADELEINE DUPUIS	DONALD POISSON	CARMEL LETTENBICHLER
ALICIA DAVEY	LINDA LEE CASSIDY	JACKIE BARRETTE MOJESKE
JIM LIGHT	LUCILLE ROY	MIKE LANOUE
SHAELYN POISSON	MADALAYNA DUCHARME	ROSELLA PINSONNEAULT
MARI SCHROEDER	STEPHEN ILIJANICH SR.	

PLEASE INFORM THE OFFICE TO HAVE SOMEONE'S NAME ADDED OR REMOVED

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED LOVED ONES, PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS, MAY THEY REST IN PEACE AND MAY THE LORD SEND COMFORT AND CONSOLATION TO THEIR FAMILIES.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

This year's budget was presented and approved at the January 8th meeting. Throughout the year, by way of the bulletin, we will highlight charities we have supported in 2017. You may be amazed at the number of charities we have donated to. Our next meeting is on Monday, February 5th. It is a "Friendship Luncheon," at 12:30pm, in the Parish Hall. More details to follow.

RETRouvaille

Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille weekend program for couples February 16-18, contact Debbie or Darcy at 1-800-705-6356, 1015@retrouvaille.org or visit our website: SaveOurMarriage.ca

Marie Rose Place

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www.marieroseplace.com

Please pre-register by phone or e-mail at least a week in advance. Thank you!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1 – 4PM
A Modern Witness to the Gospel:
Cardinal Nguyen Van Thuan

Cardinal Nguyen Van Thuan was a political prisoner of the communist regime in Vietnam for 13 years, 9 of which were spent in solitary confinement. His remarkable faith sustained him during those long years. We will view a Salt and Light documentary, Road of Hope: The Spiritual Journey of Cardinal Nguyen Van Thuan, which explores this heroic man and his message. Facilitators: Janine Rocheleau snjm and Joe Quinn csb

Suggested offering: \$15 includes snacks

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 1 - 4PM

Wrestling With God: Leonard Cohen

Leonard Cohen, the iconic, gravelly-voiced Canadian poet/singer died on November 10, 2016 at the age of 82. Through CDs and DVDs we will commemorate his life and talent, and attempt to discern some of the spiritual themes that emerged in his songs. Join us to enjoy his remarkable gifts! Facilitators: Janine Rocheleau snjm and Joe Quinn csb

Suggested offering: \$15 includes snacks

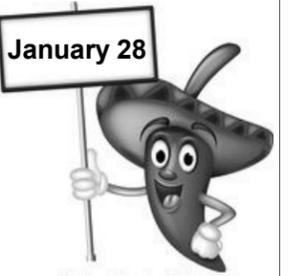
SUNDAY MORNING ROSARY

Every Sunday starting at 8:15am. Join us.



CHILI COOKOFF

On Sunday, January 28, 2018, the Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual "Chili Cookoff" at St. Simon & St. Jude Hall after 11:00 am Mass. The cost will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under, all you can eat while it lasts and includes bread and butter. Pop and water will be available for \$1. There will also be meat draws. The cookoff is open to all, so if you would like to enter your chili, please contact Mike Kovacs at 226-363-0603 or at mkovacs@cogeco.ca. All proceeds from the event will benefit Ronald McDonald House. Thank you and hope to see you all there!



BOARDS AND BEERS

A social gathering for the 18-35 year old crowd!
January 25, 2018 at 7:00pm
Board games and appetizers are on us!

Rock Bottom Bar & Grill, 3236 Sandwich St., Windsor. **Free child care** available until 9:15pm at a local parish. You must book child care in advance by contacting Claire at cbondy@dol.ca by January 19th.

Sponsored by the Diocese of London
Family & Youth Ministry Office and Campus Ministry

HEARTS TOGETHER FOR HAITI CHARITY GALA

Please join us for a great night out and a great cause! We'd love to show you the work that HTFH is doing with our brothers and sisters in Haiti. The gala is on February 10th at Fogolar Furlan; doors open at 5:30 - dinner is at 6:30; tickets are \$75 per person (special prices for children and students). You may call 519-972-3374 or 519-564-6975 for tickets. (Early Bird Draw for tickets purchased by Jan.15 - Prize \$100 Gift Certificate.)

WELCOMING THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

KELVIN SULIK

SON OF PAUL SULIK AND SUSAN (ST. PIERRE)

TRAVELLING VOCATIONS CHALICE ~ JANUARY 13 & 14

4:30 pm: Jackie Gomes
9:00 am: Moe & Rachelle Peltier
11:00 am: Ginny Light

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

JANUARY 7, 2018

REGULAR OFFERING	5,175.72
REGULAR OFFERTORY - DIRECT DEPOSIT	415.00
LOONIE & TOONIE	245.25
INITIAL OFFERING	223.00
RESTORATION CAMPAIGN	3,175.00
RESTORATION - DIRECT DEPOSIT	80.00
CHRISTMAS	58.90
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL	495.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT:	\$9,867.87



Your continuing generosity is greatly appreciated!

Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- January 14 ~ Sister Mary Boere, Pastoral Minister
- January 15 ~ Rev. Eduardo Berrera, F.M.M.
- January 16 ~ Rev. Donatien Lwiyando, S.X.
- January 17 ~ **Memorial of St. Anthony the Abbot**
Rev. Martin Nyland
- January 18 ~ Deacon Reginald Quesnal
- January 19 ~ Deacon Mark Castanier
- January 20 ~ Most Rev. John Michael Sherlock