

MASS INTENTIONS	
Tuesday April 10 8:00am	Russell Sauvé ~ the family Joseph ~ Shaji Shyma T.M. Joseph ~ Shaji Shyma
Wednesday April 11 8:00am	Robert Béchard ~ his wife Pauline & family Maurice Tellier ~ Bob & Suzanne Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ parishioners
Thursday April 12 8:00am	Gilles St. Pierre ~ Anne St. Pierre Irene LeBoeuf ~ Andy & Terry Barrette Madeline Diesbourg ~ Mae Tremblay
Thursday April 12 10:00am	CHAPEL AT SEASONS LAKESHORE Russell Sauvé ~ the family Laura Derdaele ~ Frank & Wende Bracken Rachel Lesperance ~ Marr & Rita Huson
Friday April 13 9:30am	Leonard Trepanier ~ Phil & Jean Beaulieu Louise Catton ~ Bob & Carmel Chauvin Richard Gauthier ~ Pam Trepanier
Saturday April 14 9:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ parishioners Josephine Reaume ~ the Reaume family Edward Bellemore (2 nd Ann.) & Denis Bellemore ~ Marie & family

Marie Rose Place

(519) 253-1383, marierose@mnsi.net, 318 Randolph St., Windsor
Please pre-register a week in advance by phone or e-mail. Thanks!
Thursday, April 26, 1 – 4pm

Witness to the Gospel: Jean Vanier

Jean Vanier is a philosopher, writer, religious and moral leader and the founder of two major international community-based organizations, L'Arche, and Faith & Light, that exist for people with intellectual disabilities. He has spent more than four decades as a deeply radical advocate for the poor and the weak in our society. Through film clips and documentaries we will explore the life and works of this remarkable human being. Join us and be inspired! Facilitators: Joe Quinn csb and Janine Rocheleau snjm, Suggested offering: \$15 includes snacks

WELCOMING THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

ADDISON CURD

DAUGHTER OF NOLAN CURD & KIRSTEN KETT

ASHLEIGH SYLVESTRE & PAIGHTON SYLVESTRE

DAUGHTERS OF RYAN SYLVESTRE & SUSAN PONIC

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EVENTS AT A GLANCE

MONDAY APRIL 9

- St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, 7:00pm, Blue Room

TUESDAY APRIL 10

- First Communion Retreat, 6:30pm-7:45pm, Church
- Prayer Gathering every Tuesday, 7:15pm

WEDNESDAY APRIL 11

- Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30am-1:00pm, Church
- Youth Group, 3:30pm - 5:00pm, Hall
- First Communion Retreat, 6:30pm-7:45pm, Church

THURSDAY APRIL 12

- Choir Practice, 7:00pm, Church

FRIDAY APRIL 13

- School Mass, 9:30am, Church

SATURDAY & SUNDAY APRIL 14 & 15

- First Communions, All Masses
- Youth Involved Mass, Sunday, 11:00am

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday April 8, 2018

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm



Exposition and Adoration
of the Blessed Sacrament,
Chaplet of Divine Mercy,
Benediction,
Individual Confessions.

Divine Mercy Sunday is enriched by a plenary indulgence which is granted under the usual conditions (*sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intention of the Supreme Pontiff*) to the faithful who, completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, and take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy.

St. Simon & St. Jude Parish

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 9:00am to 3:00pm
Closed between 12:00pm & 1:00pm

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Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday to Thursday 8:00 am
Friday 9:30 am
Saturday 9:00 am
Reconciliation
Saturday 9:30am to 10:30am

2nd Sunday of Easter ~ Divine Mercy Sunday

April 8, 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.

PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION

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FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. ANTONY

My Dearest Parishioners in Jesus Christ,

Thomas refused to believe there could be something gloriously wonderful after the death of Jesus. He refused to accept and contemplate Jesus in faith. He wanted physical and tangible proof, knowledge of the senses rather than knowledge of faith. So Jesus took him at his own word and granted his desire. However, Jesus corrected Thomas: **“Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.”**

Faith brings blessedness; it is a never failing source of strength, an undying spring of power, a sure sign of victory. This blessedness, this power and strength, are ours only if we believe in Jesus. God created man for happiness. God's plan for man is one of confident and serene living, not one of anxiety, worry and defeat. This is the whole thrust of the Bible; to invite and persuade us to trust in God. So John logically ends his Gospel: “Now Jesus did many other signs which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that, believing, you may have life in His name.”

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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.

FROM FR. ANTONY, continued

“Believing, you may have life in His name.” St. John in today’s second reading shows what precisely is this life. “Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is a child of God.” So the life that faith generates in us is divine, God’s own life. He who believes that Jesus is God becomes a child of God. This is a stupendous statement. What should be the nature and power of this faith to effect such a profound transformation in us?

It is a new way of being in the world, a triumphant way of being. For St. John adds: “Whatever is born of God overcomes the world, and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith. Who is he that overcomes the world? He who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.” Faith gives birth to new possibilities which enable us to overcome the world. Ours is a crisis-ridden life. We are often troubled and worried, harassed and haggard. Despair eats into our psychological, moral and spiritual systems and drives us to depression. What is the remedy? Remember the words of St. Augustine; “Faith is to believe what we do not see. The reward of this faith is to see what we believe.” As we continue in the joy and hope of the Risen Lord, let us ask ourselves;

- Does my faith help me to overcome the pressures and persuasions of the world?
- Does it help me to live a joyful life?

With kindest regards,
Fr. Antony Kolenchery

FROM OUR PASTORAL MINISTER/YOUTH MINISTER, MARGUERITE HEWER

Blessed Easter season, dear St. Simon and St. Jude family! Truly a season to celebrate our Lord's agape love, so freely given. His love comes to us in many ways, one of them, being through family.

One little boy came up to his mom as she worked preparing dinner, and handed her a piece of paper he'd been writing on. After drying her hands on her apron, she read it, and this is what it said:

- For cutting the Grass \$5.00
- For tidying my room this week \$4.00
- For going into the store for you \$2.00
- For watching Billy while you did groceries \$1.50
- For taking out the garbage \$1.25
- For getting a good report card \$8.00
- For cleaning up & raking the yard \$5.00

Total owed: \$26.75

She softly smiled as he stood there expectantly. Tender memories flashed across her mind. She picked up the pen and wrote on the reverse side:

For the nine months I carried you as you grew inside me, NO CHARGE.
For the nights I sat up with you, doctored and prayed for you, NO CHARGE.

For the trying times and tears over the years, NO CHARGE.
When you add it all up, the cost of my love is NO CHARGE.

The toys, the food, the work, the clothes and even wiping your nose, there's NO CHARGE my sweet son.
The cost of REAL LOVE then, is: NO CHARGE.

With big old tears in his eyes, the little boy looked straight up at his mother. **“Mom, I sure do love you!”** Then he took the pen, and in great big letters wrote: **“PAID IN FULL.”**

JESUS' tender, merciful REAL LOVE for us is PRICELESS, yet: NO CHARGE.

He has PAID IN FULL for our transgressions. There IS NO GREATER LOVE.


This Easter Season, may we look up to Him, with loving, joyful tears of a child to declare: **“JESUS, I SURE DO LOVE YOU! THANK YOU! -For the many ways you show me your love!”**

You remain in my prayers, dear faith family. With gratitude,
~Marguerite.


**Country Home Warming
Steak Dinner and Dance**
featuring *Crystal & Ryan St. Denis*
Saturday, April 14, 2018
St. Simon & St. Jude Parish Hall
Doors open 5 pm • Dinner 6 pm • Show 8 pm

Tickets \$25.00 each
Contact Rick Toulouse (Chairman) 519-728-4726
Belle River Council office/voice mail 519-728-2828

Belle River Knights of Columbus
267 Meunier St, Belle River



**SPECIAL THANKS TO
PITMASTER JULES MAILLOUX
FROM THE BBQ DEN
FOR PREPARING OUR STEAKS**



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE
Bursary applications are still available. Forms and criteria can be found at the entrance of the church as well as at the high schools. Sorry, we are no longer accepting milk bags. Thank you for your support in this endeavour.


Monthly Eucharistic Adoration
April, 11, 2018
8:30 am to 1:00 pm
April Parish Intention:
Vocations, especially to the priesthood
Please sign up for 30 minutes of adoration using the sheet at the entrance of the church.

**Rise up Women of Truth
Seventh Annual Women's Conference**
Saturday, May 5th, 2018
Holy Name of Jesus Church, Essex
Keynote Speaker: Julie Onderko
Local Speaker: Deacon Art Bondy
Registration:
<http://www.riseupwomenoftruth.webs.com>
or contact Lori Fawdry at (519) 996-4548
Tickets: \$25 for adults, \$20 for students, after April 24th tickets are \$30
The theme for the day is
"The Virtue of Humility"

“A NIGHT TO SHARE” FUNDRAISER

The Knights of Columbus are hosting “A Night to Share” fundraiser for the Ronald McDonald House located at Metropolitan Hospital. The event is to be held Saturday, May 12, 2018 at St. Simon & St. Jude hall at 5:00 pm. The evening will include a cheese bar, hors d'oeuvres, shrimp, dinner and music. There will be plenty of raffle prizes, silent and live auctions, and two wheelbarrows of spirits to be won. Tickets for the wheelbarrows of spirits are \$5 each or a book of 5 for \$20. Tickets for the event are \$100 and all net proceeds from the evening will go to RMHC Windsor. To purchase tickets for the event or for the wheelbarrows, or to make a charitable/prize donation please contact Mike Kovacs at 226-363-0603, mkovacs@cogeco.ca or call the K of C office at 519-728-2828 and leave a message. Thank you for your support.

FOUNDATIONS IN PARISH NURSING PROGRAM



Are you a registered nurse who would like to integrate your spirituality with your nursing practice and also learn more about the exciting field of parish nursing? Join us from **July 8 to 14, 2018** at Brescia University College in London. For more information visit <http://www.stpetersseminary.ca/Programs/Parish-Nursing/21> or contact Catherine Leach at 519-432-1824 ext. 281 or toll-free at 1-888-548-9649 ext. 281.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED

Windsor Regional Hospital, Ouellette Campus (Old Hotel Dieu) is in need of Eucharistic Ministers for one Sunday every two months. If you are interested in helping, please contact Marlene Bafaro, Spiritual Care Secretary, 519-973-4411 ext. 33180.

Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar
2nd Sunday of Easter

April 8	~ Ursuline Sisters of the Agonizing Heart of Jesus
April 9	~ Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord Most Rev. Donald Theriault
April 10	~ Deacon Joseph Ryu
April 11	~ Memorial of St. Stanislaus Rev. Leo Walsh, C.S.B.
April 12	~ Rev. Leonard Desjardins
April 13	~ Mrs. Virginia Eade, Pastoral Minister
April 14	~ Deacon Andrew Alway

PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

DIANE REAUME	A.J. LALIBERTE	CARMEL LETTENBICHLER
LISA BOND	LOUANNE HAMELIN	JACKIE BARRETTE MOJESKE
LUCILLE TELLIER	LINDA LEE CASSIDY	MIKE LANOUE
MADELEINE DUPUIS	LUCILLE ROY	JULIETTE RIVEST
ALICIA DAVEY	MADALAYNA DUCHARME	
JIM LIGHT	STEPHEN ILIJANICH SR.	
MARI SCHROEDER	RENE TELLIER	
DIANE LAUZON	THERESA BEAULIEU	

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.

Offertory Collection	March 30, 2018	April 1, 2018
Regular Offering	-	5,200.98
Regular Offering - Direct Deposit	-	445.00
Loonie & Toonie	-	495.57
Development & Peace/Share Lent	-	40.00
Restoration Campaign	-	445.00
Restoration Campaign - Direct Deposit	-	80.00
Holy Land - Good Friday	2,446.45	-
Living Stations of the Cross	-	527.00
Easter	-	6,943.00
Easter Flowers	-	60.00
Total Deposit	\$2, 446.45	\$14,236.55

Thank you, your generosity is greatly appreciated!