

MASS INTENTIONS	
December 25 10:00am	The Nativity of the Lord ~ Christmas Day ~
Wednesday Dec. 26 8:00am	Mariam Kolenchery ~ Debbie Baldi Rose Renaud ~ Pat & Adrian Renaud Donat Fillion ~ Shirley Fillion & family
Thursday Dec. 27 8:00am	Linda Lee Cassidy ~ Brian & family Theresa Seguin ~ Roger & Annette Bellemore Charles & Rose Gilbert ~ Paul & Rena Gilbert
Thursday Dec. 27 10:00am	CHAPEL AT SEASON'S LAKESHORE Remi Poisson (8yrs) ~ Eleanor Sylvestre Clara Quenneville ~ a parishioner Paulette Giroux ~ Madeleine Desmarais
Friday Dec. 28 9:30am	Aurore Bilodeau ~ Rita & Marr Huson St. Joseph; those dying & in purgatory ~ parishioners Evelyn St. Pierre (27 th Ann) ~ Lorette & Annabelle & family
Saturday Dec. 29 9:00am	Gerald Tellier ~ the Tellier Family Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ parishioners Aurele Ducharme ~ Simon & Gaynor Ducharme
Dec. 31 4:30pm & January 1 10:00am	Feast of Mary Mother of God
Wednesday Jan. 2 8:00am	Int. Fr. Antony Kolenchery (17 th Ann. of Ordination) - Staff Int. of Lawrence Lachapelle ~ Pam Trepanier K of C members, sick, deceased or in distress
Thursday Jan. 3 8:00am	Mariam Kolenchery ~ Pauline & John Levesque Lionel Peltier ~ Moe & Rachel Peltier Souls in Purgatory ~ a parishioner
Thursday Jan. 3 10:00am	CHAPEL AT SEASON'S LAKESHORE Russell Sauve ~ the family Special intention ~ Shirley Fillion & family Betty Marie Closs ~ Pete & Denise Cecile
Friday Jan. 4 9:30am	Lorraine Ducharme ~ Simon & Gaynor Ducharme Special intention ~ a parishioner St. Joseph; those dying & in purgatory ~ parishioners
Saturday Jan. 5 9:00am	Rachel Warnke (2yrs) ~ sister Gen Louis Lariviere (14yrs) ~ Gen & family Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ parishioners

EVENTS AT A GLANCE

THURSDAY DECEMBER 27

- No Bingo; resumes January 3 at 6pm
- No Choir Practice

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 2

- K of C 3rd Degree meeting, 7pm

THURSDAY JANUARY 3

- Bingo every Thursday, 6pm, Hall
- No Choir Practice

FRIDAY JANUARY 4

- First Friday Adoration 8:15 am to 9:15 am

SATURDAY & SUNDAY JANUARY 5 & 6

- Wedding Anniversary Blessing, all masses
- Children's Church resumes, 11am mass

SUNDAY MORNING ROSARY
Every Sunday starting at 8:15am. Join us.

Merry Christmas

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
Monday - Wednesday Dec. 24 - 26;
OPEN THURSDAY & FRIDAY DEC. 27 & 28
Closed Monday Dec. 30 & Tuesday Jan. 1



Thank you, and enjoy your families this Christmas season.

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.

WE THANK THE FOLLOWING FOR GENEROUSLY SUPPORTING OUR BULLETIN:

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ST. SIMON & ST. JUDE PARISH

OFFICE HOURS
TUESDAY – FRIDAY 9 AM - 3 PM
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 MASS SCHEDULE
TUESDAY TO THURSDAY 8:00 AM
FRIDAY 9:30 AM & SATURDAY 9:00 AM

RECONCILIATION
SATURDAY 9:30 AM TO 10:30 AM



The Nativity of the Lord & Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph & Feast of Mary Mother of God
December 25, and December 30, 2018 & January 1, 2019

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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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

My Dearest Parishioners in Jesus Christ,

For us human beings, the birth of the Saviour seems too wonderful, too good to be true or believable, yet we know this is exactly what happened more than two thousand years ago in that stable of Bethlehem; and the poor, humble shepherds were the first ones privileged to receive this good news. God's love for man was so great that He could not leave him in his miserable, sad state of being a slave to sin and to the powers of evil.

So He sent His beloved Son into this world to become one with us and to show us in a tangible way what God is like: the all loving, forgiving, merciful Father who longs for total union with all His children without distinction. And we know that this Child born to us according to the Father's plan freed us from the clutches of sin and evil through His suffering, death and resurrection, thus enabling us to enjoy being God's beloved children. But then, are we aware of it in our daily life and do we sincerely try to live as God's beloved children?

Jesus is Emmanuel, 'God with us'. God's purpose in creating us was that we live in Him by loving Him and loving one another. This Jesus who was born as Emmanuel is with us and in us. That means we have a great responsibility to recognize His presence in ourselves and in our neighbours, and to consider them as our brothers and sisters. As I wish you the Peace and Joy of A Merry Christmas, I want us to reflect on this question:

In my daily interaction with different persons, do I try to understand the immense worth of each person and try to treat each one with love, respect and care?

With kindest regards,
Fr. Antony Kolenchery

FROM SUE, MARGUERITE & DEACON DON

Dear Parishioners, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The beautiful scene of the nativity of Jesus invites us to slow down and savour the special moments in life. Like Joseph and Mary, we have a part in bringing the Kingdom of God into our world. We bring to life the Kingdom of God when we welcome Jesus, into our lives and hearts. Like the innkeepers in Bethlehem, we are being asked to make room for Jesus.

We welcome Jesus when we are generous in offering our family, coworkers, and neighbours spiritual gifts of patience, prudence, encouragement, faith, hope, and love.

Pray for the grace to live our life as a clear sign of our love for Jesus. Help us to make room for the Christ Child to be born in our hearts, that our lives may be changed forever.
~ Sincerely, Sue

How beautiful God's gift of Love! Our salvation in one sweet tiny baby! Mary and Joseph trust God's holy plan, obey the census law, set out for rugged travel to Bethlehem to be counted among their family fold. No room, no welcome at the Inns. They find people busy, preoccupied. One good person chooses to not turn them away. A stable is offered —their best under the circumstances. Exhausted, grateful, Mary and Joseph make the best of it, transform it into a place of light, hope, beauty, welcome, and bring Pure Love to birth! Loving God, thank you for our Saviour Jesus! Help us to set out in trust, offer what we can to make our church a place of light, hope and love; make "room at the Inn" of our hearts, welcome the stranger, traveler, or any returning to our fold to be counted this Christmas. Dear SSSJ family- May you be richly blessed in peace and joy, in the promise and hope of our New Born King! ~ Marguerite

From Deacon Don - A Christmas Message
On behalf of Rita and I, we wish you a very Merry Christmas. During this season of Advent and the coming of our Saviour and Lord Jesus Christ, we will be celebrating Peace, Hope, Joy and Love. All of us should be thankful for the gifts and blessings that Jesus has and continues to give us. This Christmas, as in previous years, we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the Son of God and the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. He took on our human nature so that we might be saved and inherit eternal life with Him for all eternity. Without Christ's presence in us and among us, we would be lost. Through Jesus' presence in our lives, we are being healed, transformed, reconciled and made whole. Rita and I pray that you will be blessed always and especially during this Christmas season.

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Dec.30 ~ Rev. James Roche

Dec.31 ~ *Institute of Secular Missionaries*

Jan. 1 ~ **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**
Sisters of Service

Jan. 2 ~ **Memorial of Basil and St. Gregory Nazianzen**
Deacon Rudolph (Rudy) Pflanzner

Jan. 3 ~ Rev. Canon Mitchell Kaminski

Jan. 4 ~ Rev. Frank Leslie

Jan. 5 ~ Deacon Gaston Mabaya

PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK

DIANE REAUME	RENE TELLIER	JULIA GAGNON
LISA BOND	CARMEL LETTENBICHLER	KEVIN DUCHARME
LUCILLE TELLIER	MIKE LANOUE	PAUL DUCHARME
MADELEINE DUPUIS	JULIETTE RIVEST	BETTY ALEXANDER
ALICIA DAVEY	HANY YOOSOF	ADRIAN RENAUD
JIM LIGHT	PAT BOWSER	ANGELA RICE
MARI SCHROEDER	PAT BUTLER	LOIS & CLARENCE JANISSE
DIANE LAUZON	CECILE STRONG	DALE SIMMONS
A.J. LALIBERTE	BETTY SIGRIST	LUELLA LEBOEUF
LOUANNE HAMELIN	MIKE PRESTON	
MADALAYNA DUCHARME	JACKIE BARRETTE MOJESKE	

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

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



Our Christmas wish to all members of the League...



"May the miracle of the first Christmas fill your hearts with joy"

Merry Christmas from Co-Presidents
Lee Levergood and Linda Prestyko



Sometimes the distance between a husband and a wife can seem so wide that it cannot be repaired. Retrouvaille is a marriage program designed to bring couples closer together. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program, contact the registration team: Debbie or Darcy at 1-800-705-6356, or visit our website: SaveOurMarriage.ca

MASS SCHEDULE

HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
Sat. Dec. 29th, 4:30 pm
& Sunday, Dec. 30th, 9:00am & 11:00am
FEAST OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD
Monday, Dec. 31st, 4:30 pm
& Tuesday, January 1st, 10:00am

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION

Registration forms are now available for First Reconciliation and First Communion. They can be found at the church entrance or at the parish office and copies are available on-line [www.stsimonstjude.dol.ca - Sacraments]. There is a parents' meeting on **Wednesday January 16, 2019 at 7:00pm** at the parish hall. Registration for these sacraments will be accepted at the parent's 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

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE HOME BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

You can still take home a baby bottle and help new mothers in crisis. Fill it with money and return it to the parish by January 6th. For a tax receipt, provide your name and address.



May God bless you for your generosity!

ALLIANCE OF THE TWO HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY

MONTHLY ALL NIGHT COMMUNION OF REPARATION EUCHARISTIC VIGIL
AT OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION ROSARY CHAPEL ON JANUARY 4th AT 8:30PM TO JANUARY 5th AT 7:30 AM.
FIRST FRIDAY MASS AT 9 pm AND SAT. MASS AT 7:00 am
All are invited

LAKESHORE BLOOD DONOR CLINIC

MONDAY, JANUARY 21ST from 2:00 pm until 7:00 pm

St. Simon & St. Jude Parish Hall, Belle River
New Donors & Walk Ins Welcome!

To book an appointment or for additional information, please contact us at 1 888 2 DONATE (1-888-236-6283) / www.blood.ca / GiveBlood App



FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT



We encourage you to come spend time in prayer and adoration each month during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and prayers of the Divine Mercy, which take place on the first Friday of each month, from 8:15am until 9:15am. **NEXT ADORATION ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 4TH**

19TH ANNUAL HEARTS TOGETHER FOR HAITI CHARITY GALA

Saturday, February 9, 2019

Fogular Furlan Club, Doors open at 5:30, Dinner at 6:30pm

1800 E.C. Row (North Service Road)

Tickets: \$75 (Adults), \$50 (Students), \$25 (4-12yrs)

Proceeds used to operate HTFH School, Medical Clinic and Kay Nou Orphanage in Deppe, Haiti. Tickets make great gifts while providing help to our Haitian brothers and sisters. Call 519-972-3374.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION DECEMBER 16, 2018

Regular Offering	5,134.80
Regular Offering - Direct Deposit	1,835.00
Loonie & Toonie	332.75
Restoration Campaign	395.00
Restoration Campaign - Direct Deposit	824.66
Christmas	255.00
Christmas - Direct Deposit	1,065.00
Christmas Flowers	545.00
TOTAL DEPOSIT	10,387.21

Your generosity is greatly appreciated! Thank You