


**MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>Tuesday Jan 15 8:00am</b>	Roy & Josephine Murphy & relatives ~ the family Mariam Kolenchery ~ Betty Ann & Joe Kelly Raymond(22yrs) & Tina(23yrs) Strong ~ daughter Bev
<b>Wednesday Jan 16 8:00am</b>	Doug Denomey ~ Robert & Jeannine Belanger Anita Hewitt ~ Roland J. Bechard Allan Grant ~ Ted & Kathleen Antaya
<b>Thursday Jan 17 8:00am</b>	Russell Sauve ~ the family Monique Plourde ~ Francine Nantais Diane Peltier ~ Paul & Rena Gilbert
<b>Thursday Jan 17 10:00am</b>	<b>CHAPEL AT SEASON'S LAKESHORE</b> Mariam Kolenchery ~ Femand & Geraldine St. Pierre Special intention ~ the Gomes family Steven Ilijanich Sr ~ Pete & Denise Cecile
<b>Friday Jan 18 9:30am</b>	St. Joseph; those dying & in purgatory ~ parishioners Aurore Bilodeau ~ Rachele & Moe Peltier Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ parishioners
<b>Saturday Jan 19 9:00am</b>	Marc Quenneville ~ Jay & Michelle Bernadette Peltier ~ Moe & Rachele Children & grandchildren of the Bilodeau Family

**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 our website [www.stsimonstjude.dol.ca -Sacraments]. There is a parents' meeting this **Wednesday January 16<sup>th</sup> 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*



**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 15**
- Prayer gathering, every Tuesday 7:15pm
- WEDNESDAY JANUARY 16**
- Youth Group, 3:30pm to 5:00pm, Hall
  - Parent's meeting: 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, 7pm, Hall
- THURSDAY JANUARY 17**
- Bingo every Thursday, 6pm, Hall
  - Choir Practice 7pm, Church
- SATURDAY AND SUNDAY JANUARY 19 & 20**
- 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation Rite of Enrolment, 4:30pm and 11am mass
  - Youth Involved Mass, 11am

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

**ATTENTION USHERS**

There is an usher's meeting on Sunday January 27<sup>th</sup> following the 11:00 am Mass in the Parish Hall Blue Room. Pizza will be served at this meeting. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

**New Usher's are welcome to join us.**



**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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


**WE THANK THE FOLLOWING FOR GENEROUSLY SUPPORTING OUR BULLETIN:**

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| Floor Coverings International              | 519-735-5515         |
| Hallmark Memorial - Hwy #3, Walker Rd      | 519-737-6158         |
| Strong's Appliance Service Ltd.            | 519-728-2334         |
| Melady Funeral Home by Arbor Memorial      | www.meladyfuneral.ca |
| Michael Sutton, K of C - Managing Director | 519-728-1500         |
| David J. Bombardier, KCHS                  | 519-890-9785         |
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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 Baptism of the Lord

January 13, 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.

**PASTORAL ADMINISTRATION**

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**FROM OUR PASTOR, FR. ANTONY**

My Dearest Parishioners in Jesus Christ,  
Greetings to you my Sisters and Brothers in Jesus Christ. There are many proud moments in our faith life as grown up adults and one of those proud moments is when we see our children or grandchildren practice their faith and take Jesus and the Church, seriously in their life. It is a truth that the younger generation are not involved in the life of the Church and participate in the celebration of the Sacraments as much as they should, and it disturbs many of us in our faith life. At times we don't see the immediate fruits of our prayer, but we should never give up on praying nor give up on the younger generation. Our mission today, is to be a visible and tangible sign of faith before the young people and to make use of every opportunity to engage them in their faith, at times by sharing your own experience of, how you encountered Jesus and how has it been for you being a Catholic.

As a community, it was a proud moment for us, when 47 teenagers from our Parish Family, came up on their own, expressing their willingness and readiness to be confirmed in their faith, on Sunday, November 25, 2018. They are now commissioned to worship and serve God. They are now commissioned to continue in the Apostle's teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in the prayers. They are now expected to proclaim by word and example the Good News of God and to seek and serve Christ in all people.

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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)**

Four more teenagers have come up with the desire to be confirmed and they will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday at the 11:00a.m. Mass. Congratulations to them all. It is our ardent desire and hope, that the reception of Confirmation may enable them and strengthen them, in their faith and the courage, to live up to the challenges this Sacrament brings before them.

As you know, I was away in India to celebrate my Mom's life, when we had the celebration of Confirmation in our community. May God rest my Mom's soul. I specially remembered and prayed, together with my Mom for all our Confirmands, from India. I am thankful, on behalf of our Parish Family, to many who had a visible role in the celebration of Confirmation. My thanks to Fr. Daniel Bombardier, the Episcopal Vicar for Windsor-Essex Deanery, for being the celebrant. Under the captaincy of Marguerite Hewer, our Youth Minister, a group of committed and dedicated people from our Parish were involved since September, in the preparation and formation of our Candidates. I can't imagine this Parish existing, if it was not for our volunteers. I am truly amazed at, how generous our volunteers are with their time and leadership skills. My special thanks to Ginny Light, Debbie Baldi, Kathy Meloche, Linda Prestyko, Mitzie Scott, Brian Cassidy, Julia Berthiaume, Sharon Haskell, Theresa Cullen and Bev Barette along with Marguerite Hewer, who co-ordinated the Confirmation Programme. I greatly acknowledge the valuable presence, guidance and liturgical assistance of Sue Hofgartner, our Pastoral Minister, with the celebration of Confirmation. We are blessed; we have a wonderful group of volunteers in our Community.

With kindest regards,  
Fr. Antony Kolenchery

**FROM SUE HOFGARTNER, PASTORAL MINISTER**

Dear Parishioners, Happy New Year!!!  
Over the holiday season, while I was away, I attended another parish and the priest during his homily encouraged all of us to consider this thought: **"As you look back on 2018, what would you say was the most significant event for you – good or bad?"** Maybe the loss of a loved one, maybe the birth of a new granddaughter. Or maybe nothing was incredibly important, but nonetheless stood out."

He continued with this thought - "if we answered this question, I bet few, if any at all, would have mentioned our relationship with God as either broken, ignored, deepened, experienced. And yet, **the God questions are the most important in our lives.**

Maybe we realize this more as we get older. Whether we do much about it even then is a moot point. But it really is sad if the God questions take a back seat during the beauty years of youth and young adulthood."

As we begin a new year, it is always an opportunity to pause and reflect on the direction our lives are taking. It is an opportune time to look at our relationship with God and our spiritual life.

Many things compete with our relationship with God and often disrupt our peace. Quarrels, busyness, illnesses, family and work demands all serve to upset our balance. And, we are competing with so many interesting things in our world, sports, hobbies, education, travel, promotions, money, and more. Life is too busy, the world and our hearts are in great need of peace. If you read any of the writings or prayers of the saints it is crystal clear, the Saints didn't just know about Jesus - they knew Him.

I hope that you take the time to pause. I hope that you breathe. I hope that you rest. I hope that you are fed and nourished by time alone with the one who came to save you. Allow prayer to become the first boost of energy for the day, instead of the sugar or caffeine. As we grow in our relationship, our love will spill over to others. May you continue the year 2019 considering the God questions and with resolutions to look seriously at your relationship with God.

Sincerely,  
Sue

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**



This year's budget was presented and approved at the January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. We are very proud of the number of charities we support.

Our next general meeting is **Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**, which will also be our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual **Friendship Luncheon**, at 12:30pm. Treat a friend to a fun afternoon. Pack a lunch for you and your guest. Following the meeting, we hope you will stay to help us make Valentines for the residents of LaChaumiere Nursing Home. Further details to follow.

**CHRISTMAS THANK YOU!**



From Fr. Antony & all the staff!

Thank you for all the cookies, chocolates, nuts and treats.

We appreciate your generosity & thoughtfulness.

HAPPY NEW!



**ALTAR SERVERS OUTING**

The Altar Servers outing is planned for January 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. at the Super Bowl Lanes, Forest Glade, on Tecumseh Road. Please RSVP to Marguerite at 519-728-3381 ext #29

**CANADIAN BLOOD SERVICES**

The need for blood is constant, which is why donations at this time of year are so vitally important for patients. They are encouraging eligible donors to give blood. Blood donations are needed for chemotherapy treatments, trauma victims, cardiac surgeries, and organ transplants – procedures that all routinely take place every day.

For more info visit: [blood.ca](http://blood.ca) or call 1 888 2 DONATE  
Clinic at SSSJ Parish Hall

**MONDAY JANUARY 21, BETWEEN 1 PM & 7PM**

**LEARN FOR LIFE SERIES**

No papers, no exams, just learn for Life! Assumption University invites you to register for the **Learn For Life 2019 Winter/Spring courses: [www.assumptionu/learnforlife](http://www.assumptionu/learnforlife).**

Upcoming topics include An Introduction to the Health Care Ethics Guide, Religion and Politics, and a study of the Pope's encyclical, *Laudato Si'*.

**RETRouvaille**  
A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

**Matrimony: A calling to forgive!**

**"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."**

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about the upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend on February 15-17, 2019, contact registration team: Dave or Barb @ 1-800-705-6356, [1015@retrouvaille.com](mailto:1015@retrouvaille.com) or visit our website: [SaveOurMarriage.ca](http://SaveOurMarriage.ca)

**AN EVENING WITH DR. EDWARD SRI**

**Vibrant Faith in a Secular Age – Today's Challenges for Parents, Families and Parish Leaders**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 7:00 PM

Visitation Parish, Comber

Tickets are \$10 and available at [dol.ca/drsri](http://dol.ca/drsri)



This presentation engages the challenges we, our children and our friends constantly face from the secular culture—challenges that, if not addressed, can choke the life of faith in the people we love.

Why do I need a Church? Can't I be spiritual on my own?

Isn't one religion just as good as another?

Isn't each person free to make up his own morality?

Why does the Church talk so much about human life, sex and marriage? Shouldn't we just be tolerant and get along with everyone?

This engaging and thought-provoking talk shows how parish ministry and faith formation in the home cannot be "business as usual." We cannot simply teach the truth. We must pass on the faith in a way that anticipates the cultural influences that affect the life of faith and give people the tools to thrive as intentional Catholics in a relativistic world.

**DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR**

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Jan. 13 ~ Rev. Michael Parent

Jan. 14 ~ Sister Mary Boere, Pastoral Minister

Jan. 15 ~ Rev. Jude Ogbenna

Jan. 16 ~ Deacon Thomas MacLeod

Jan. 17 ~ **Memorial of St. Anthony the Abbot**

Rev. Martin Nyland

Jan. 18 ~ Deacon Reginald Quesnel

Jan. 19 ~ Deacon Mark Castanier

**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 & GERRY 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 FRANK MELADY  
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE AND MAY THE LORD SEND COMFORT AND CONSOLATION TO THEIR FAMILIES.