

MASS INTENTIONS	
Tuesday Jan 7 8:00am	4 th Degree K of C members, sick or deceased Lorraine Ducharme ~ Simon & Gaynor Uncle Don & Aunt Rosabelle ~ Mike & Theresa Mullins
Wednesday Jan 8 8:00am	K of C members, sick, deceased or in distress Int. of Steve & Cheryl Mihoren ~ Aunt Madeleine Marier Mike Connor ~ Maurice & Claudette Mousseau
Thursday Jan 9 8:00am	Pat Girard ~ Al & family Mable Marshall ~ Simon & Gaynor Ducharme Romeo Laporte ~ Pam Trepanier
Thursday Jan 9 10:00am	CHAPEL AT SEASON'S LAKESHORE Russell Sauvé ~ the family Roy & Josephine Murphy & relatives ~ the family Jackie Mojeske ~ Bev Barrette
Friday Jan 10 9:30am	Paul Bisson ~ Lionel & Helene Janisse Malcolm Ducharme ~ Simon & Gaynor St. Joseph; those dying & in purgatory ~ parishioners
Saturday Jan 11 9:00am	Rosemary Beaulieu (40 th Ann) ~ Kathy, Shirley, Denise, Mark & Ken Tim Papineau ~ Anne & Foster Brigley Ray Revait ~ sister Mable

PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK		
DIANE REAUME	HANY YOOSOF	MARY LOU BOMBARDIER
LISA BOND	PAT BOWSHER	LUCILLE TELLIER
MADELEINE DUPUIS	PAT BUTLER	MARION GAUTHIER
ALICIA DAVEY	CECILE STRONG	DAVE LEMIRE
JIM LIGHT	BETTY & DON SIGRIST	ANNA ST. JOHN
MARI SCHROEDER	JULIA GAGNON	NORM VANIER
DIANE LAUZON	KEVIN DUCHARME	KRISTY LEE ZIMMERMAN
A.J. LALIBERTE	PAUL DUCHARME	PAULINE SCHILLER
MADALAYNA DUCHARME	BETTY & GERRY ALEXANDER	FRANK HAMELIN
RENE TELLIER	ANGELA RICE	CAROLINE K. SIMMONS
CARMEL LETTENBICHLER	LOIS & CLARENCE JANISSE	NANCY MULLINS
MIKE LANOUE	DALE SIMMONS	NANCY PARENT
JULIETTE RIVEST	LUELLA LEBOEUF	KAY CAZA

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.

THANK YOU!
Dear St. Simon and St. Jude Parish,
Thank you for hosting me at your parish the weekend of December 28/29. It was a pleasure to share my perspective on sustainability with you and I enjoyed our discussions after the masses. I look forward to visiting the parish again in the future. God bless,
Jason Hofgartner, Ph.D.


Copies of Jason's presentation are available at the main entrance of the church.

WE THANK THE FOLLOWING FOR GENEROUSLY SUPPORTING OUR BULLETIN:	
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, KC* HS	519-890-9785

EVENTS AT A GLANCE
MONDAY JANUARY 6
• CWL Meeting, 7:00pm
TUESDAY JANUARY 7
• Soup & Video, 6:00pm, Parish Hall
• Prayer Gathering, 7:15pm
• K of C 4th Degree Mtg at HNJ, Essex 7:30pm
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 8
• Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30am to 10:00am
• Youth Group, 3:30pm - 5:00pm
• Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30pm
• K of C 3rd Degree Meeting, 7:00pm
• Kay-Celles Meeting, 7:00pm
THURSDAY JANUARY 9
• Bingo every Thursday, 6:00pm, Hall
• Choir Practice, 7:00pm Church
SATURDAY JANUARY 11
• Installation of New CWL Executives, 4:30pm mass
SUNDAY JANUARY 12
• Children's Church, 11:00am mass

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


MONTHLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
WEDNESDAY JANUARY 8TH, 2020
We have Monthly Eucharistic Adoration on the 2nd Wednesday of every month from **8:30 am to 10:00 am**. You will find a sign up sheet at the entrance of the church which will allow you to sign up for 30 minutes or more of adoration.
JANUARY PARISH INTENTION:
For renewal and faith, realizing a greater relationship with Jesus.

 **On behalf of the staff, we would like to thank all those thoughtful parishioners who were so kind to have brought us gifts and well-wishes this Christmas. It is very greatly appreciated.**

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 Epiphany of the Lord
January 5, 2020

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,
Greetings to you my Sisters and Brothers in Jesus Christ. I hope you had a great time at Christmas with family and friends. It is such a wonderful time of the year, where relationships are strengthened, friendships renewed and family bonds re-established. I pray, may the peace and joy, the Baby Jesus brings, continue to reign in our lives and families. It was such a joy to see young families gathering at Church to celebrate Christmas with us and I am so pleased, our Parish became a venue for 1200 people to gather, to celebrate and honour the birth of Jesus over three Masses. While our Christmas Season continues, I would like to acknowledge all our people who contributed their time and shared their talents in many ways to make our celebration meaningful. My thanks go out to:

- Office Volunteers for the Christmas mail out
- Dianne Poisson and the Cast Members for the Nativity Play
- Gerald Quinn and the Team for the Crèche
- Theresa Bracken and the Committee Members for the decorations
- Knights of Columbus for the cleaning the Church
- Moe Peltier for polishing the Tabernacle
- Debbie Brazil for cleaning the Vessels

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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 OUR PASTOR (CONTINUED)

- Mable Rivait and Sharron Gagnier for cleaning the Altar Linens
- All our Liturgical Ministers - Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Gift Bearers, Lectors, Music Ministry, under the leadership of Linda Bellaire and Ushers
- The Collection Counters
- Annette Chauvin and Ruth Ann Little who prepared the Giving Tree Tags
- Helen Strong & Barb Lefaive who hung the Tags
- Mary Jo Battaglia, Betty Ann Kelly & Claudette Mousseau - the Giving Tree Sorters
- Jocelyn Dufault and Sophie and Sam Zeleny who carried Baby Jesus to the Crèche on Christmas Eve
- The anonymous donor of the Rediscover the Saints Book
- To everyone on the Staff for being so generous with their time especially during this time of the year
- To all those who donated money for the Christmas Flowers

I am truly appreciative of the presence and ministry of Fr. Dan Morand in our community. He continues to amaze us with his zeal for God and his commitment to the people of God. It is a gift and a joy to have Fr. Dan around us.

Last but not least, I would like to specially acknowledge the enormous amount of time Sue Hofgartner, our Pastoral Minister, has put in past couple of weeks planning for Christmas Liturgy. She always works behind the scene, but our Community can't let go the wonderful ministry of Sue, unnoticed. There is a lot of organizing and planning that have gone behind our Christmas celebration and our community is truly privileged to have Sue as our Pastoral Minister who is very efficient and organized in her ministry. Can't thank Sue enough for all her effort behind the scene.

May God continue to guide us and bless us and all our families. I wish you all A Blessed New Year.

With kindest regards,
Antony Kolenchery

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

- Jan 5 ~ Deacon Gaston Mabaya
- Jan 6 ~ Deacon Gary Flewelling
- Jan 7 ~ **Memorial of St. André Bessette**
Rev. Lawrence Pare
- Jan 8 ~ **Memorial of St. Raymond of Penyafort**
Rev. Michael O'Brien
- Jan 9 ~ Sister Marija Ivic, S.F.B.Z., Pastoral Minister
- Jan 10 ~ Rev. Jozef Denys
- Jan 11 ~ Rev. Francis Thekkumkattil, C.S.T.

**A WITNESS TALK FROM OUR PARISHIONER
BERNADETTE JOHNSTON**

When I was in grade 10, I met the love of my life. We were high school sweethearts. We both graduated in 1982 and got married in 1985. He came from a family of 5 siblings and I, from 3 and both very religious Catholic upbringings attending mass on a weekly basis. He was an altar server for years and I had sung in the church youth choir. But honestly you'd never know it, because I have a terrible singing voice and am quite shy. No tryouts were needed, that's why I made it. Lol.

We travelled a couple times a year and were enjoying our married lives together. When we decided to start having a family, it seemed like forever before we were able to conceive. We went to a shrine in St. Mary's Ontario two summers in a row and we were prayed over by Fr. Patrick Moore. He served as director of the shrine spending summers in St. Mary's and the remainder of each year travelled the world spreading the Fatima message.

Shortly after the second summer of visiting St. Mary's and being prayed over by Fr. Moore, we received the wonderful news, we were expecting our first child. We were both ecstatic and anxious but yet nervous at the same time not knowing what to really expect and hoping and praying we would have a healthy baby with no complications. What a beautiful gift from God, our prayers were finally answered. Then almost every 2 years after that we were blessed with 3 more beautiful children.

As time went on, we had them all involved in extra circular activities, so needless to say life was very busy with four kids close in age and both of us working full time and trying to juggle schedules. It wasn't easy, but like all families we did it and we always made the time every week to attend mass whether it was Saturday evening or Sunday morning.

We enjoyed doing everything together as a family, we tried to eat dinner together as much as we could depending on the schedules and we even prayed together every night. But as they got older and more and more involved with school, friends, sports, music and their jobs, it became a little harder to do, but one thing we still made sure of was that we attended weekly mass whether it was together or separately.

In 2011, my husband passed away very suddenly and unexpectedly. We were all very devastated. I can say there was a part of me that did not want to live anymore. I honestly felt like my life was over, but I knew I had to try and be strong and be there for my kids. The girls and I attended grief counselling for a bit and I also attended a seminar lead by author, educator, grief counselor and guest speaker, Dr. Alan Wolfelt. He spoke of learning to live with and work through your personal grief process. I questioned my faith daily on many occasions, but yet continued to pray even more. I'm not going to lie, it's still a daily struggle trying to cope with the loss though. I guess you could say it's a new way of trying to live my life, mind you not the way I would have ever chosen, but unfortunately these are the cards I was dealt with. It is one day at a time and with prayer and faith, I believe we will get through.

Family, friends, coworkers, and even some parishioners would ask "What can we do for you and your family?!" My response was "Nothing, just please pray for me and my children." My children have all left the church and still to this day have not returned, but I know the seed is planted and with prayer hopefully one day they will return.

To conclude, I always remember my wonderful mother telling me as I was growing up, "Even on your worst day, you should still thank God, because there is always someone out there worse off than you." Amen to that.

Fine words from a wise woman that I love dearly. Thank you and God Bless.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



Happy New Year!!! Please join us at our January 6th meeting when our new executive will be introduced and acclaimed. Thank you to all the members for your prayers to fill the positions and continue as a council. Jackie Gomes has graciously accepted the position as the next president. Jackie has been a member for 15 years and has served on the executive for 10.

Installation of the new executive by Fr. Antony will be at 4:30 pm mass on the January 11th.

The position of recording secretary is empty and needs to be filled. If interested, please contact Lee @ 519-728-3992 or Jackie @ 519-728-2191.

SAVE THE DATE

**JOIN US ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7TH
AT 6:30 PM FOR A SPECIAL SCREENING OF
THE MOVIE 'UNPLANNED' IN THE CHURCH HALL**

UNPLANNED is based on the real life conversion of Abby Johnson from the youngest ever Planned Parenthood clinic director to a prominent anti-abortion activist.

The movie also depicts the humble beginnings of a now world wide movement called 40 Days for Life. In Windsor, 40 Days for Life vigils are held twice a year. The next vigil begins February 26th, Ash Wednesday. There will be information about 40 Days for Life, as well as an opportunity to discuss the movie with guest speaker Laurie Eberhardt, campaign coordinator of 40 Days for Life in Windsor.

A free will offering will be taken for the movie distributor, "Full of Grace Productions".

The licensing cost has graciously been covered by Windsor-Essex County Right to Life.

USHERS' MEETING

~NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME~
Please plan to attend the Usher's meeting on **SUNDAY JANUARY 26TH** at noon in the Blue Room at the Parish Hall. Pizza provided.



OFFERTORY COLLECTION	DEC 22, 2019	CHRISTMAS	DEC 29, 2019
Regular	7,581.00	15,145.50	4,421.95
Regular - Direct Deposit	475.00	—	475.00
Loonie & Toonie	303.70	634.16	275.85
Restoration Fund	75.00	—	1,055.00
Restoration Fund - Direct Deposit	90.00	—	90.00
Christmas Flowers	35.00	—	—
Good Friday	—	—	50.00
Total	\$ 8,559.70	\$ 15,779.66	\$ 6,642.80

Thank you, your generosity is greatly appreciated!

SERVERS' BOWL & PIZZA NIGHT!

Greetings Altar Servers!
You're Invited! Join the Fun!
Servers' Bowl & Pizza Night!
SATURDAY, FEB. 15, 6:00 PM
Super Bowl Lanes
Please RSVP to Marguerite Hewer



THE ANGEL TREE

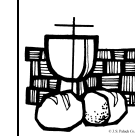
Next weekend our Christmas season concludes with the feast of the Baptism of the Lord.

Our decorations will come down during the week of January 12th. Please remember to pick up your angel from the tree next weekend.



FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION

Registration forms are now available and can be found at the church entrance and the parish office; also copies are available on our website [stsimonstjude.ca ~ Sacraments].



There is a Parents' Registration Meeting on **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 15, 2020** AT 7:00PM at the parish hall.



It is important we receive your registration at this meeting. If you have any questions, please call our Pastoral Minister, Coordinator of Youth Ministry, Marguerite Hewer 519-728-3381 ext #29

CALLED TO ACCOMPANY



Called to Accompany is a discussion opportunity for all adults, not just those interested in volunteering at the church.

No matter your role, a parent, a volunteer, a coach, or a parishioner, come learn and explore the many aspects that make every encounter with a young person valuable.

After some great conversations about the value of engaging the entire parish in the work of accompanying young people and families in the life of the parish, we are ready to take things to the next step. The goal of this afternoon together is to walk away with some concrete plans and action items to better welcome and engage young people and families to your parish.

INTERESTED? REGISTER AT **CALLEDTO.CA** & JOIN US **SATURDAY JANUARY 11TH ~ NOON TO 5:00PM AT GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH**