

MASS INTENTIONS	
<b>Tuesday Jan 28 8:00am</b>	Gerald Tellier ~ the Tellier Family Louisana Barrette (33yrs) ~ Jules & Marcella Barrette Lionel Peltier (6 <sup>th</sup> Ann) ~ Rachele & Moe
<b>Wednesday Jan 29 8:00am</b>	Rita Meloche ~ Catholic Women's League Lucy Roy ~ Simon & Gaynor Ducharme Denis & Irene Bisson ~ Len & Mary Jane
<b>Thursday Jan 30 8:00am</b>	Thank you to St. Jude ~ a parishioner Souls in purgatory ~ a parishioner Bobby Stanley ~ Lionel & Helene Janisse
<b>Thursday Jan 30 10:00am</b>	<b>CHAPEL AT SEASON'S LAKESHORE</b> Isidore Trepanier ~ Bob & Carmel Chauvin Gertrude McGuire ~ Pat & Patti Lanoue Garneau sisters ~ Madeleine Labbé
<b>Friday Jan 31 9:30am</b>	Alphonse Hamelin (12 <sup>th</sup> Ann) ~ Susan & family Lucy Roy ~ husband Gil & family St. Joseph; those dying & in purgatory ~ parishioners
<b>Saturday Feb 1 9:00am</b>	Gord Johnston ~ wife & children Stéphane Bilodeau ~ Richard & Denise Our Blessed Mother; Souls in Purgatory ~ parishioners

**PRAYERS FOR OUR YOUTH**  
Please keep our First Reconciliation Candidates in your prayers, may the Holy Spirit guide them and give them strength and courage as they prepare to ask for forgiveness **Thursday March 5<sup>th</sup>**.

**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.

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

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

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**EVENTS AT A GLANCE**  
**TUESDAY JANUARY 28**  
• Prayer Gathering, 7:15pm  
**WEDNESDAY JANUARY 29**  
• Youth Group, 3:30pm - 5:00pm  
• K of C Executive Meeting, 7:00pm  
**THURSDAY JANUARY 30**  
• Bingo every Thursday, 6:00pm, Hall  
• Choir Practice, 7:00pm Church  
**SATURDAY & SUNDAY FEB 1 & 2**  
• Children's Church, 11:00am mass  
• Rite of Enrollment 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation and 1<sup>st</sup> Communion; 4:30pm & 11:00am  
• Wedding Anniversary Blessing, all masses

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

**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.

**HEARTS TOGETHER FOR HAITI**  
Join us for our Annual Gala **February 8, 2020 at Fogolar Furlan**. Tickets: \$75 for adults, \$50 for students and \$25 for children 4 -12 yrs. Please call 519-972-3374.

**RETRouvaille**  
Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels of distress; the program is designed to provide the tools to help get marriages back on track. The next Retrouvaille weekend in Windsor/Essex will be the weekend of February 14 ~ 16 at Holy Family Retreat House. To register for the weekend, please call 1-800-705-6356 or email at **1015@retrouvaille.org**.

# 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

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**January 26, 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 dear Brothers and Sisters. I hope and pray that all is well with you and your family. May I take this opportunity to bring to your attention an **upcoming event in our Parish Family**. The recent movie **UNPLANNED** is familiar to us all and I assume that some of us have had the opportunity to watch this movie on the big screen. The chief concern of the movie is to promote life and to stand for life, thus **disowning the right to abortion** in our culture. I happened to meet with a young lady a year ago, who had gone through an abortion a year ago and had watched the movie. She confessed that she wouldn't have had gone through an abortion, had she watched this movie. She said she was living on a guilt trip because of what she watched in the movie; the process involved in the killing of an unborn baby. She now stands for life and for the prolife movement in our society. I am sure, this is not an isolated experience of one person, and the movie has changed many people in their approach to life.  
From a Catholic perspective, life is precious from the moment of conception to the point of death. Life is a gift and a gift given to us by God. He sent His only Begotten Son so that we may have life and life in its abundance. We never chose to be born, but God lets us into this beautiful world.

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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)

This movie is a gentle reminder that we are only **CUSTODIANS** of our life and not the **OWNERS**. Our culture is in trouble, when we act like we are the owners of our own life. It is given to us for a certain period of time and it is entirely up to each individual to make it meaningful by adding value to it every day.

Do you think life is a gift or do you take your life granted? Even if you think in theory that life is a gift, there are times when we get so busy and task oriented that we almost forget that life is a gift from God. When we don't appreciate breathing; we take life for granted. And that leads us into a life that is not all it is meant to be. Taking God's good gift for granted leads to misery and that is what happens when we let ourselves go through an abortion and assist someone with an abortion or encourage someone to choose abortion. We need to save the younger generation from the culture of death and lead them to a culture of life.

To help us in this endeavour, we are making this movie **UNPLANNED** available for the entire Parish Family to watch on **FRIDAY, February 7 at 6.30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. It is entirely free, but a free will donation will be greatly appreciated. We have invited all our neighbouring parishes including the other denomination churches and we are expecting a good turnout at the event. Wednesday February 26 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent and I think it is a great way of entering the Spirit of the Season; by promoting life, a precious gift from God. I truly need your co-operation to make this event a success. Please, please start promoting it among your family and friends. Please invite them to this event and be a witness to your own life - A GIFT FROM GOD.

With kindest regards,  
Antony Kolenchery

**DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR  
THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- Jan 26 ~ Rev. Michael Dwyer
- Jan 27 ~ **Memorial of St. Angela Merici**  
*Ursuline Religious of the Chatham Union*
- Jan 28 ~ **Memorial of St. Thomas Aquinas**  
Rev. Sebastin Pakiyathan, C.R.
- Jan 29 ~ Mrs. Kathryn Heemsherk, Pastoral Minister
- Jan 30 ~ Rev. Franklin Mizzi, C.S.B.
- Jan 31 ~ **Memorial of St. John Bosco**  
Rev. Martin Tschibumku Kabanga
- Feb 1 ~ Rev. Christopher Bourdeau

**A WITNESS TALK FROM OUR PARISHIONNER, MICHAEL LANOUE**  
A STORY OF LOVE continued ....

My wife and I met at a dance hall (in those days there were dance halls all over where the young people could have a nice evening; not to brag I was a good dancer and could dance to any music), I asked her for a dance and she said yes; she told me I have been waiting to have a dance with you; we danced all night. When I brought her home, she asked me if I would like to go with her to her uncle's wedding the following Saturday, I said yes, the following week she asked me again if I would go with her to her school Prom, I said yes. This was the beginning of our dating. After 6 months we knew that we were going to be partners; after another year we were engaged; a year after, on May 5 1956 (month of our blessed mother Mary) we were married. On our honeymoon we went to St. Joseph Oratory in Montreal, to Cap de la Madeleine Shrine in Trois Rivieres and St Anne de Beupre Basilica in Quebec City. We asked the good Lord to guide us and help us in our marriage.

When we came back from our trip we moved into our new home. We said that we would be partners and do things together; such as house duties, yard duties, shopping, saying our morning and night prayers together, we were a team. We had 60 wonderful years together.

Our blessed mother Mary was in our daily prayers therefore we purchased a beautiful statue of Her in 1957 and I built a Grotto for the statue and installed a flood light on the house so we could see Her at night; we had Her blessed and She is still in the same spot.

On May 15, 2015 my wife woke up in the middle of the night with a sore throat, she had a few throat lozenges and water hoping it would go away. This was the start of her ALS (Lou Gehrig disease) that we did not know at the time. There is no cure for ALS; it attack's cells in the brain and spinal cord that are needed to keep muscles moving, leading to muscle weakness; it can attack any parts of your body; breathing, speaking, sleeping, swallowing, walking, etc. Therefore, making it very hard to diagnose. After a few months my wife started to have some of the above problems. Before discovering what, the problem was, we went to see several specialists, having test, x-rays, and MRI, and finally we were told on December 7 she had ALS. Shocking News.

In November my wife still made her famous meat pies for Christmas. All our family came for Christmas day. My daughter Marie and my daughter in-law Anna and others helped with the Christmas meal, because they knew this was going to be our last Christmas together. We asked our good Lord for His blessing and His help during this trying time, for our family.

In January 2016 my wife's problems worsened considerably with speech, choking, and eating, also with breathing, dressing and walking. In February she could not speak, she had to use a letter board to write what she wanted to say; but she could hear our replies; (ALS does not affect the mind); she also had a little bell to get my attention when she needed help during the day; when she needed help during the night, she would just touch me and I was up to help her. My wife took good care of me when I had my surgeries, now it was my turn to take care of her. She could not swallow; in March she had stomach surgery for a feeding tube so she could be fed; feeding time was at 7am; 12pm and 5pm; it required an hour for each meal; preparing the food (liquid), connection to stomach tube; and cleaning. She also required help for dressing and walking. In March and April; when weather permitting, I would take my wife for a walk in her wheelchair so she could have some fresh air.

We also had help from CCAC for her baths; visits by the social worker, nurse and doctor from Hospice; help from ALS Society on how to take care of our loved one with the disease, also how to use the special equipment required. I would want to thank all those who helped and prayed, also father Antony, for his home visits, his blessing and prayers.

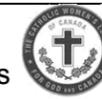
My wife wanted to be at home until the good Lord called her. This is the reason the good Lord helped me to recover from all my surgeries; He knew I had to take care of my wife. My son and daughter also the ALS Society were concerned if I would be able to handle all the work; I said yes, our good Lord would help me. I thank our Lord for giving me the strength and help to be with my wife until the good Lord called her to go with Him in her final home. I was never tired because the good Lord was with me to help.

*Final letter*

*Dear Aurella,*

*On May 2 2016, the good Lord called you to be with Him in heaven, your final home. It broke our hearts to lose you. You left us beautiful memories, your love and two wonderful children, Robert and Marie. You will be our guiding light from heaven until we meet again. You will always be in our hearts.*

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**



Thank you to all Catholic Women's League members and parishioners who continue to support our annual Pajama Drive. With your generosity we were able to supply 103 pairs of pajamas or sleep pants to the Goodfellow's families this year. This project was started in 2011 and over the nine years we have donated 1275 in total.

**"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great Love." Mother Theresa**

**ALLIANCE OF THE HOLY FAMILY**



International All-Night Communion of Reparation (Mass, Confession, Adoration, Rosary & more) at Our Lady of Assumption Rosary chapel.

Begins on First Friday Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:30pm to Saturday Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00am

**USHERS' MEETING**



Please plan to attend the Usher's meeting on **SUNDAY JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>** at noon in the Blue Room at the Parish Hall. Pizza provided.

**~NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME~**

Please consider becoming an usher for our parish. If you are interested, please contact the office, or speak to Maurice Mousseau, the leader, at mass; and plan to attend the Usher's meeting.

**UNPLANNED - THE MOVIE**

**JOIN US ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7<sup>TH</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**Recommended for grade 8 accompanied by an adult and up.**

*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.*

**SOUP & VIDEO**

**TUESDAY FEBRUARY 4, AT 6:00PM**

**THE SPIRIT CONVICTS**

**"And when he comes he will convict the**

**world in regard to sin and righteousness and condemnation: sin, because they do not believe in me" ~ John 16:8**

Pope Francis has stated that we must stop "masquerading before God" in relation to our sin. We must take seriously the reality and nature of sin and the impact that sin has in our lives.

It is not an exaggeration to say that our attitude towards sin has eternal consequence. Sin wounds and at times destroys our relationship with Christ. The Spirit of God convicts us of our sin not to condemn us but to convert us. In this segment we will see how the Spirit draws us closer to Christ by revealing to us our sin.

**Come and join us for soup in the Parish Hall at 6:00 pm and video at 6:30 pm.**



**COME AND SEE DISCERNMENT WEEKEND**

St. Peter's Seminary is holding a discernment retreat Feb. 28 – Mar. 1 and invites men 17 years old and older who are considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a firsthand experience of the life of a seminarian, spiritual helps for discernment, and an opportunity to meet current seminarians and faculty. Contact Fr. Danny Santos, Director of Vocations, at [vocations@dol.ca](mailto:vocations@dol.ca) for more information; to register visit [www.dolpriest.ca/registration](http://www.dolpriest.ca/registration).

**CONSIDER TAKING THIS SURVEY**

Recently, the Government of Canada announced an online survey of Canadians' views on medically-assisted suicide. **The two-week period of consultation ends Monday Jan. 27.** The survey is predicated on the assumption that respondents support euthanasia legislation. Even so, the survey does have text boxes that afford the opportunity to let the government know that you are against medically assisted death. The survey is available at <https://justice.survey-sondage.ca/f/s.aspx?s=6E6210A5-E100-4201-A55D-CFB52ADA1C0C>. Terrific info about the survey and "MAID" legislation are available at [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org). The Diocese's social media and [website](#) have regular updates about euthanasia, as well as a [fascinating article from Grandin Media](#) in the website's news section. Here is the survey itself - <https://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/cons/ad-am/index.html> Or google search MAID Survey.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION JAN 19, 2020**

Regular	4,177.98
Regular ~ Direct Deposit	2,595.00
Loonie & Toonie	236.00
Restoration Fund	155.00
Restoration Fund ~ Direct Deposit	926.66
Christmas	62.00
St. Vincent de Paul	255.00
St. Vincent de Paul ~ Direct Deposit	545.00
Pope Francis Fund	25.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,977.64</b>

*Thank you, your generosity is greatly appreciated!*