

Masses for
the Week



Tuesday, April 2nd, at OLHC

7:00 pm -- + Arnold Minten - Harry & Patsy Vanden Boomen

Wednesday, April 3rd, at OLHC

9:00 am -- + Arnold Minten - Cemetery Board

Thursday, April 3rd, at St. Christopher's

7:00 pm -- + Helen Patycula - Fran Schilkey

Friday, April 4th, at St. Christopher's

9:00 am -- Intentions of the Parishioners

7:00 pm -- **Stations of the Cross - OLHC**

February Month End Financial Position

St Christopher:	OLHC:
Income: \$16,055.87	Income: \$16,059.56
Expense: \$22,936.14	Expense: \$16,036.48

Please Pray each day for:



Rev. Danny Santos

Rev. Alan Dufraimont

Rev. Alan Momney

Dr. Robert Langlois, Pastoral
Minister

Rev. John Johnson

Ms. Francine Visser, Pastoral
Minister

Mrs. Virginia Eade, Pastoral
Minister



**Our Lady Help
of Christians**

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Our Parish Family

St. Christopher's

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A welcoming Catholic faith community who gathers to celebrate the Word of God as a Eucharistic People.

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Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 4:30 pm Forest
7:00 pm Watford
Sunday 9:00 am Watford
11:00 am Forest

Reconciliations:

by appointment

Watford Office:

Tues, Wed, Thurs 9:00-4:00

Forest Office:

Wed & Fri 9:00-4:00

Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 31, 2019

Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have
passed away; behold, new things have come.
- 2 Corinthians 5:17



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Holy Week Schedule



Monday, April 15, 7:00 pm, Mass of Chrism at St Peter's Cathedral, London.
Holy Thursday, April 18, 10:45, Passion Play with the whole school at Our Lady
Help of Christians Watford **7:00 pm,** Mass of the Lord's Supper at Our Lady
Help of Christians Watford followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
Good Friday, April 19, 9:00 am, at Our Lady Help of Christians, Watford,
Passion Play by children. **3:00pm,** traditional service in both parishes.
Easter Vigil, April 20, 8:30 pm at St. Christopher's, Forest.
Easter Sunday, April 21, 9:00 am and 11:00 am in both parishes.

Trivia Night is Back!!

April 5, 2019 @ 7:00 pm St Christopher's Parish-Forest \$10 per person -max of 6 per team, singles
welcome too! We will add you to a team! **PRIZES!!!** Refreshments available. **EVERYONE WELCOME!**
For more info please call Jo Ann Boere (519) 786-3992

Easter Flower Donations

We will accept donations for our Easter flowers in memory of our departed loved ones until
Palm Sunday, **April 14.** The names will be printed in the Easter Bulletin. You may place your
donation into the offertory basket or drop it off at the parish office. Please use the form be-
low and place it in an envelope marked "Easter flowers". Cheques should be made payable to
the parish

In memory of _____



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday evenings @ 7:00 pm at OLHC
They will be led by the ministries of our Parish on April 5, & 12.



Reconciliation Schedule

Saturday April 6 - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm - St. Christopher's

Diocese Wide Day of Reconciliation

Wednesday, April 10 - 10:00 am - 1:00 pm - OLHC

2:00 pm - 5:00 pm & 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm - St Christopher's

Bulletin Announcements

If you have something you would like to be included in the weekly bulletin please email it to sminten@dol.ca

All submissions must be in no later than **WEDNESDAY** the week before. Please put Bulletin as the email subject please. **Sarah will be away on vacation April 10 - April 16. Bulletin will be done in advance**

Also, if you would like to have the bulletin emailed to you please email Sarah to get added to the list!

Forest Vacation Bible Camp - To Mars and Beyond

8th Annual Forest Ministerial (Anglican, Catholic, Presbyterian & United Churches)

The VBS will run July 22-26 at Kimball Hall, Forest from 9:00am - 12:00pm
During the week the *To Mars and Beyond, Voyagers* will learn how God walked with heroes in the Bible and how God is always with them too.

Children will participate in music, crafts, games, science and Bible storytelling.

Snacks and a drink will be provided each day.

Please take time to fill in registration as soon as possible. Last year we had a waiting list by early June.

Registration forms and information can be found at both parishes.

Any questions please contact Nancy @ 519-786-4950 or Susan @ 519-786-4779



i.d.9:16 - Attention young adults in your 20s or 30s

Are you a student or working, married or single? If so, i.d.9:16 might be just what you are looking for. It is a wonderful way to meet other young adults and to grow in faith. Our next monthly Disciples' Night is **Thursday, April 4th** @ St. Michael's Parish, 511 Cheapside St. London. Topic: Bearing the Image. Speaker: Anna Carter. We will begin with Mass @ 6:15pm followed by a meal and drinks @ 7:00pm, and a live streamed talk and small group discussions @ 8:00pm. The evening will go until 9:30pm. Check us out on Facebook @ i.d.9:16 London. The cost of dinner and talk is \$10 with an RSVP, \$15 without an RSVP.

Please RSVP no later than Sunday, March 31st vis Facebook event or email id916london@gmail.com

Starve - a - thon

Our annual Starve -a-thon is fast approaching! This long standing tradition will once again take place on Thursday April 18th, 2019 starting @ 6pm to Friday April 19th, 2019 @5pm in the OLHC church basement. This event is open to grade 5-12 students, ALL ARE WELCOME! This fun filled 23 hours will include games, town wide scavenger hunt, and giving back to the local community. Please feel free to donate any canned food items for our local food bank at the back of the church. We will conclude our famine with a pasta potluck meal and all members of the families can join.

For more info on any youth activities please contact Kayla - kayla.m.bakker29@gmail.com

Spaghetti Dinner

A Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Wednesday April, 24th @ St. Christopher's Hall.
Adults \$15, Students \$10 and children under 10 free! Available 5-7 pm Take out available!



Refugee Meet & Greet

The 2nd refugee family has arrived! We would like everyone to meet them and welcome them into our communities. The family will be in Watford on **April 7th** after the 9am mass and Forest on **April 28th** after the 11am mass.

Lenten Lunches

Forest- As we are now in the Lenten Season the Forest Ministerial will having the Lenten Lunches once again. The Lunches will be at the Forest United church (James St. Forest). Lunch will be served at 12 noon followed by a short homily. The schedule of host Churches are as follows:

Wednesday, April 3rd - Contact House

Wednesday, April 10th - Christ Church

Please come and enjoy good food, good company and listen to a short reflection on Lent.



Watford- The Lenten Lunches will be hosted by the Watford United Church, Tuesdays during Lent at noon. There will be a different guest speaker each week and lunch is provided.

A Message from Deacon John

If we desire to follow Jesus to the resurrection, we also need to follow Him through the desert. As the Lenten season continues our Lenten observance is allowed to evolve. You may consider setting your morning alarm 10 minutes earlier to start your day with meditative prayer, thus allowing us to be better prepared for the challenges of the day, and to recognize the areas in our life that need our attention. It's through suffering and death that brings us to true joy, peace and resurrected life.

Spring Cleaning / Decluttering

It is that time of year again! The nice weather is coming soon (hopefully) which means it is time to clean up and organize! Please consider donating your unwanted and unused items to the Missions/St Vincent de Paul Yard sale being held in May. You can drop off your items to the Missions cupboard in Forest labeled for the sale please. If you have any questions please contact Norio - norio@xcelco.on.ca