

Masses for  
the Week



**Tuesday, February 25**

7:00 pm - Living and deceased CWL members and the Unborn - req. CWL

**Wednesday, February 26, at OLHC - Ash Wednesday**

9:00 am - OLHC (SPC School Mass)

12:45 pm - St. Christopher's (SJF School Mass)

7:00 pm - St. Christopher's

**Thursday, February 27, at St. Christopher's**

7:00 pm - Intentions of the parishioners

**Friday, February 28, at St. Christopher's**

9:00 am - Intentions of the parishioners

*Please Pray each day for:*



Mrs. Chrisandra Skipper,  
Campus Minister

Rev. Ronnie Tagnines

Mrs. Kim Bornais, Coordinator of  
Youth Ministry

Rev. Pio D'Oria

Deacon Steve Cartier

Mrs. Monica Mollica, Coordinator  
of Youth Ministry

**Upcoming Meetings/Events**

Sunday, March 1 - Potluck and Euchre Night - 5:00 pm - OLHC - see announcement

Tuesday, March 3 - 1st night of Lectio Divina - 7:30 pm - OLHC

Thursday, March 5 - World Day of Prayer - 1:00 pm - North Lambton Lodge - see announcement

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Saturday, March 7 - Lenten Retreat with Bishop Fabbro - 9:00 am - St. Christopher's

Sunday, March 15 - St. Paddy's Day Bonspiel - 2:00 pm - Forest Curling Club - see announcement

Saturday, March 28 - 1st Reconciliation - 10:00 am - Watford; 2:00 pm - Forest

Sunday, March 29 - Cluster Parish Dinner - 6:00pm - Centennial Hall Watford - see announcement

**SAVE THE DATE -Thursday, April 16 - Volunteer Appreciation Dinner  
Warwick Community Centre \*More info to come**

**Lenten Day of Prayer, Saturday, March 7th**

As a cluster parish we are hosting a **Lenten Day of Prayer** at St. Christopher's.

It will be led by the Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB.

Bishop Fabbro has invited each of us to enter into a Year of Prayer which began on Pentecost Sunday this past June. We will explore the Lenten scriptures and the Bishop's invitation to deepen our confidence as missionary disciples.

We will start with mass at 9:00 am and concludes at 3:00 pm. Lunch will be provided.

So we can plan numbers for lunch, if you are planning on joining us,  
please email Sarah at [sminten@dol.ca](mailto:sminten@dol.ca)



**OLHC - Pastoral Care Volunteers Needed!**

Looking for more volunteers to help with pastoral care at  
Watford Quality Care and Brookside in Watford.

If you are interested in helping or would like more info,  
please contact Rina Dirven at 519-205-0966 or [dirven@hotmail.com](mailto:dirven@hotmail.com)



# Our Parish Family

## Our Lady Help of Christians

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## 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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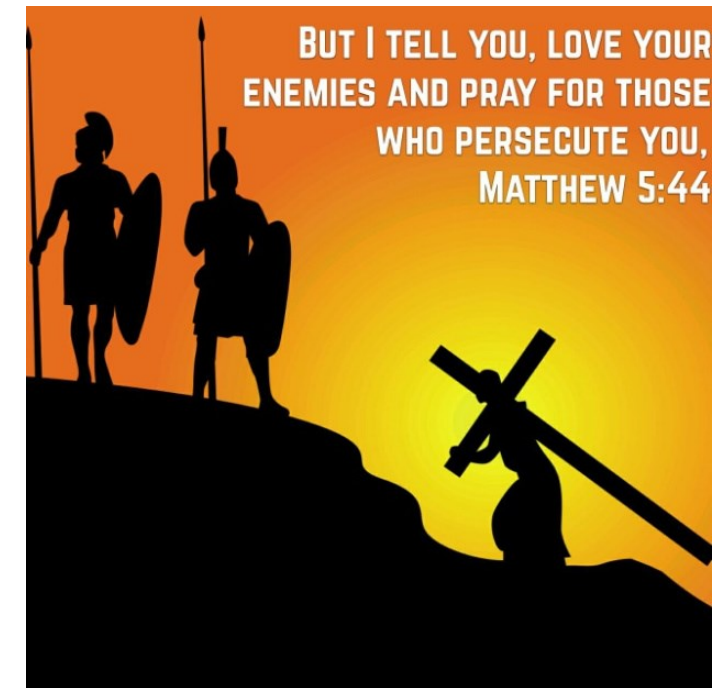
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**Sunday Eucharist**

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

The Seventh Sunday Of Ordinary Time  
February 23, 2020



**Revised Office Hours**

OLHC - Wednesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm  
Thursday and Friday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
St. Christopher's - Wednesday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm  
Thursday and Friday 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

**January Year to Date Month End Operating Financial Position:**



St. Christopher: Income: \$17,519.61  
Expense: \$16,897.66  
\$ 621.95

OLHC: Income: \$8,092.60  
Expense: \$9,013.63  
(\$ 921.03)

**Potluck and Euchre**



On **Sunday, March 1** the OLHC Knights of Columbus will host a Potluck and Euchre Night in the basement hall in Watford. Door open at 5:00 pm, Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. Everyone welcome!

**Men's Breakfast**

February's Men's breakfast is on Saturday, February 29th. A Leap year breakfast at 7:30 am at the Hope United Church, 3219 Elgin Street, Alvinston.  
Guest speaker Mike Kerrigan will talk about his walk/pilgrimage in Spain!  
Come out and join us!



St. Christopher's is sponsoring a fun "St. Paddy's Day Spiel" on Sunday, March 15th at the Forest Curling Club. The event starts at 2pm and will run to 8pm. All are welcome, cost is \$30 per curler and includes 2 6-end games and supper. This event will be run in a Jitney format, with players assigned to teams. First-time curlers will have the opportunity of instruction with practice prior to the start of the event. If you are not interested in curling, we welcome you to come out for the social and meal for just \$20/person. Curling spaces are limited to 32 persons and can be guaranteed by emailing Mark Etienne metienne@execulink.com by March 8th, please use the same email address to order a meal.



For more information, please contact either Mark, Lynn VanHaaren or Jeannette Tidball.  
We hope to see you there on March 15th ... remember to "wear your green."



**Cluster Parish Dinner**

The Annual Parish Dinner will be held on **Sunday, March 29th** at Centennial Hall, Watford. The doors open at 6:00 pm. and dinner at 6:30 pm.  
Our entertainment this year will be the vocal talents of Nancy Bodsworth and her sister Ginny Hogervorst. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults and \$6.00 for kids 10 and under. Tickets will be available at both Parish offices or from Ted Minten.



**Forest World Day of Prayer:** "Rise! Take your Mat and Walk" written by the Women's committee of Zimbabwe  
**Thursday, March 5th** at 1:00 pm at the North Lambton Lodge,  
so as to include the residents as they are an important part of our community.  
Fellowship and refreshments following the service. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
St. Christopher's is hosting this year.

**Shrove Tuesday Meals!**  
**Tuesday, February 25th**



**Forest and Area**  
Christ Anglican Church, 20 Main St., Forest  
11:00 am - 1:00 pm

**Watford and Area**  
Hope United Church, 3219 Elgin St., Alvinston  
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm (Fundraiser for HAM Summer Camps)  
Trinity Anglican Church, 5331 Nauvoo Rd., Watford  
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm

**Contact House Needs Our Help!**

*"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?"*  
- Matthew 25:34

The Lenten season is a great opportunity to deepen our relationship with Jesus. During this season we fast, pray, and give alms all in His name. In the spirit of giving our treasures, Contact House is in need of more food.

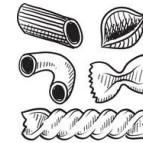
This year, for each Sunday in Lent they are suggesting the following:

- 1st Sunday of Lent: March 1st - Pasta: Noodles, Pasta Sauce, and Mac & Cheese
- 2nd Sunday of Lent: March 8th - Canned Vegetables: Corn, Green or Waxed Beans, Tomatoes
- 3rd Sunday of Lent: March 15th - Canned Fish or Meat: Tuna, Salmon, Ham, Chicken
- 4th Sunday of Lent: March 22nd - Dessert: Canned Fruit, Jello, Pudding, Cake Mixes
- 5th Sunday of Lent: March 29th - Personal Items: Hand Soap, Toothpaste & Brushes, Toilet Paper, Shampoo

And let us be mindful of the fact that what do for others we do to the Lord.

*"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'*

- Matthew 25:34



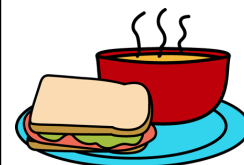
**Lent Schedule**

Ash Wednesday, February 26 - 9:00 am, OLHC; 12:45 pm, St. Christopher's; 7:00 pm, St. Christopher's  
Wednesday, April 1 - Diocese Wide Day of Confessions - 10:00am-12:00pm & 12:30pm-2:00pm, OLHC; 3:00pm-5:00pm & 6:00pm-8:00pm, St. Christopher's  
Holy Thursday, April 9 - 7:00 pm, St. Christopher's  
Good Friday, April 10 - 9:00 am, Passion Play, OLHC; 3:00 pm, Traditional Service, both parishes  
Easter Vigil, Saturday April 11- 8:00 pm, OLHC  
Easter Sunday, April 12 - 9:00 am & 11:00 am, both parishes

**St. Christopher's - Volunteers Needed!**

We are looking for more volunteers to help with the Sunday morning service at North Lambton Lodge.  
Every 2 months from 9:00 am - 10:30 am.  
If you would like to help or for more information, please contact Rose Devet at 519-828-3357

**Forest Lenten Lunches**



St. Christopher's will be hosting the Lenten lunches this year!  
They will be held every Wednesday starting on March, 4th and run until April 1st.  
Fr. Mark will be speaking at the first one!  
Lunch starts at 12:00 noon and wraps up around 1:00 pm.  
Come out and enjoy lunch with friends and neighbours as we journey through Lent!

We are asking all of our parishioners to please consider writing letters to our Prime Minister, the Justice Minister, the Health Minister and your own Member of Parliament, to voice your opinion about the proposed changes to the law increasing the availability of euthanasia / assisted suicide.  
There are sample letters, an address list, and a Declaration of Hope in the Narthex of both parishes.