

PRAY PLEASE FOR:

Holy Souls in Purgatory

The one who trusts in the LORD is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

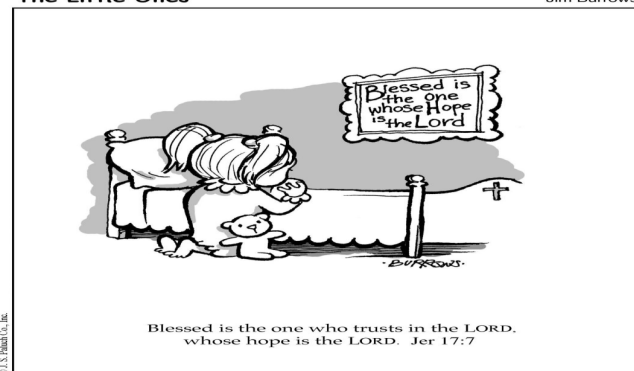
WEEK AT A GLANCE (Feb 18-24)

Mon	FAMILY DAY- OFFICE CLOSED
	7:00 pm OCDS Carmelites
	8:00 pm AA
Tues	10:00 am FDK Tour of the Church
	1:30 pm Celebrate the Word
Wed	9:30 am Rosary
	10:30 am Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion
	1:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
	5:00 pm Friendship Dinner
	6:30 pm Folk Choir Practice
	7:00 pm CWL General Meeting
Thurs	11:30 am Jollymakers - Bingo
	7:45 pm RCIA
Fri	9:30 am Divine Mercy Chaplet
Sat	9:30 am Confessions
	10:00 am CWL Social Fundraiser Paint Day
Sun	9:00 am Sunday School
	10:00 am Knights of Columbus Breakfast
	12:00 pm Knights of Columbus Breakfast

In the event of a funeral Mass on Wednesday or Friday, Mass will be cancelled and the Mass Intentions will be offered at the funeral.

Altar Server (February 19 & 21) Danika Varga

The Little Ones Jim Burrows



WEEKLY OFFERTORY – FEB 9/10

Regular Envelope	\$ 4544.00
Initial Envelope	\$ 20.00
Parish Centre	\$ 30.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 595.00
Loose	\$ 215.35
Capital/Building Fund	\$ 145.00
Total	\$ 5549.35



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (Feb 23/24)

Saturday (5 pm)

Commentator: Olga Patterson
 1st, 2nd Lector: Carla Matos, Dave Mulholland
 Gift Bearer: Rosemary & Siobhan Couture
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Jeannette Keba, Kathy Myny, Dave Bertling, Linda Bertling
 Greeters: John & Adele Armstrong
 Rosary: Vince Molloy

Sunday (9 am)

Commentator: Mariola Pleli
 1st, 2nd Lector: Nicole Gubesch, Anne Stancek
 Gift Bearers: Mike & Violetta Bell & Family
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sara Leonard, Mary Virag, Carol Van Moerkerke, Eric Van Moerkerke, Joanne Maertens
 Greeter: Anne Stancek

Sunday (11 am)

Commentator: Kathy Holly
 1st, 2nd Lector: Audrey Jayne, Ashley Kamenar
 Gift Bearers: Cory & Stephanie Hopper
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Pat D'Hulster, Barry Bruder, Nora Marie Bruder, Vicky Luki
 Greeter: Linda DeSutter
 Rosary: Barry Govia

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS (Feb 18 - 24)

Tues	7:00 pm	Brian Stephenson Manuel Oliveira Ramiro & Laurinda Silva
Wed	10:00 am	Nick Doneff Jaroslava Blazkova Sheila Hoshoooley
Thurs	3:30 pm	Mass- Woodingford Lodge Hank Schroder
	7:00 pm	Nandor Horvath
Fri	10:00 am	Martin Gubesh
Sat	9:00 am	Deceased members of: Sen Than Family
	5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sun	9 & 11 am	Parishioners of St. Mary's



Let your roots go down into Christ,
 and let your lives be built on him.
 Then your faith will grow strong in the
 truth you were taught, and you will
 overflow with thankfulness.
 Colossians 2:7

6TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 17, 2019

From Colleen ...

In honour of Family Day Monday February 18th, I found this really cool reflection on the Gospel this weekend that has a "family" flavour to it and wanted to share it with you!

Gospel Summary

Jesus taught his listeners that some values in God's Kingdom will be the opposite of what they are in our earthly society. Those with no power or material possessions, but who trust completely in God will be first in the Kingdom of God. But people who value the luxuries of this world will be last in the Kingdom.

Reflection for Families

Children trust their parents to take good care of them and give them direction. That's a lot of responsibility for a parent. Similarly, we all are challenged by these beatitudes to trust completely in God. When we trust and serve God, we know clearly from this reading that God will take care of us in the Kingdom.

Bringing the Gospel Into Your Family

Read the Beatitudes carefully again as a family. Suggest ways that people might be "poor" that don't relate to economic class. What ways can people be hungry and still have enough food to eat? What kind of sorrow would we experience without God in our lives? With a broader understanding of these terms, create a mobile or booklet where family members illustrate what the beatitudes mean for your family today. You might conclude by suggesting ways your family will practice living out the beatitudes you have illustrated.

Discussion Starters

1. This reading calls me to simplify my life and change the notion of what society values. Today, I will take one step toward the Kingdom by ...
2. One way in which I am poor is ...
3. I find true happiness in ...

If you like this family approach – you can go to <http://www.rciblectionary.com/sixth-sunday-ordinary-time-year-c> and click on the tab at the top "Gospel Reflections" (Year C) to find next Sunday's family reflection!

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 Teena Mendonca, Business Manager
 Melissa Sioen, Secretary

Office Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri
 (9 am - 12 pm, 1 pm - 4 pm)

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
 Sunday Masses: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday, Thursday: 7:00 pm
 Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 am
 Saturday: 9:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 9:30 am -10:30 am or by appointment

Children's "Sunday School"

Oct to May, @ 9 am Mass

Catholic Schools

St. Joseph School: (519) 660-2783
 Msgr. O'Neil School: (519) 660-2772
 St. Mary's High School: (519) 675-4435

Baptism Preparation

Contact Father John, ext. 22

Weddings

By appointment, and 6 months notice

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School is a program for children who are age 3 (or toilet trained) until they enter grade 2 to help them learn the rituals of mass and hear the Gospel story in child friendly language, through craft and song. Father John, at the beginning of Mass, calls the children forward and they process to the Parish Centre with their leader and return to you during the offertory song. This year Sunday School will be available at the Sunday 9 AM Mass. For more information please contact Colleen Hanley (chanley@dol.ca) or call the office.

CONFIRMATION NEWS

Our next preparation meetings are Saturday March 2nd (10am-noon) or Wednesday March 6th (6:30-8:30 pm) in the Father Langan Parish Centre. Please continue to pray for the candidates, their families and their sponsors.

FULL DAY KINDERGARTEN CLASS TOUR

We are very excited to have Mrs. Hill's FDK class come Tuesday February 19th at 10 am to enjoy a tour of our Church! There is nothing like the excitement of little voices and feet in God's house!

GRADE SIX OVERNIGHT RETREAT

Are you currently in Grade Six? Want to learn more about "Being True to Yourself?" Our high school group is hosting an **overnight retreat** March 1st beginning at 6 pm and ending on March 2nd at 9 am. Our theme is a Hawaiian Luau – so get your costume ready! Guarantee lost of fun, bowling, movies, discussions, games, prizes and so much more. Registration forms are at the back of the Church – DEALINE to register is February 22nd!

BRING IN YOUR OLD PALMS

We are collecting any old palms this month in preparation for the upcoming Lent! Fr. John will be burning the old palms at each of our Catholic Schools on Shrove Tuesday. Please place your old palms in the plastic bin found in the new addition before Shrove Tuesday (March 5th).

SAVE THE DATE!

Vacation Bible School is coming back this summer for one amazing week! Circle your calendars – St. Mary's will be hosting a "Cool Kingdom Party" July 22nd – 26th!

2018 CHARITABLE DONATION RECEIPTS

The 2018 Charitable Donation Receipts are available in the new addition. Thank you for your co-operation in picking up your 2018 donation receipts.

DAILY MISSALS

The Daily Missals are to be used in the church only (not taken home). If you would like to purchase a subscription, please contact the office (519) 842-3224.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND SHUT-IN OF OUR PARISH

Our parish is very blessed to have a number of volunteers who are mandated and trained to take Holy Communion to the sick and shut-ins of our parish. Perhaps you, or someone in your family, is sick or cannot come to Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion once a month? If that is so, please contact our parish office at 519-842-3224 and speak to our secretary Melissa. She will receive your contact information and then pass it along to the pastoral team who will get in touch with you with next steps.

If this ministry is something that you feel called to be a part of please let us know! It can be a once a month ministry or more, depending on your availability.

STEUBENVILLE TORONTO 2019

On July 12-14, 2019 our parish will be sending a bus of youth going into high school or already in high school to this amazing Conference! If you have a child in grade eight they are eligible to come to Steubenville this year! Mark you calendars ... we all BELONG! The cost is \$200 which includes the conference, lodging, bussing and food. If you want to know more information or to secure a spot on the bus, drop of the initial payment of \$75 to the rectory or see Mrs. Hanley. Flyers are available at the back of the church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

The annual dues of \$40 for the Knights Of Columbus are now due. It can be paid at the next general meeting, (Tuesday February 26), by mail, (PO Box 83 Tillsonburg, N4G 4H3), or in an envelope marked K of C DUES in the Sunday collection.

Our next breakfast will be on Sunday February 24th. Watch for more information. Thanks Norbert Vanhooren.

UPCOMING CURSILLO WEEKENDS

Men's Cursillo March 21st to March 24th. Women's Cursillo March 28th to March 31st. For more information call Andre or Bonnie at 519-913-3533.

BIBLE STUDY

February 18, at 1:30 pm. "Ignorance of scripture is ignorance of Christ" (St. Jerome 5th century). Studying the Bible is necessary food for spiritual growth.

27TH ANNUAL LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

"HOPE IN THE MIDST OF SUFFERING"
Saturday March 2nd, 9:00 am – 5:30 pm For more information visit: www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca . See poster at the bulletin board by the front door of the church.

OPERATION-SUPPORTING OUR PARISH- LIVING WITH CHRIST SUBSCRIPTION

If you would like to renew your personal subscription to living with Christ, please contact the Parish Office.

THE LEGACY OF ST. PATRICK - PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND

As you enjoy a 10 day tour to the Emerald Isle, from September 24-October 3, 2019, you will experience the history, culture and faith of Ireland that came through the missionary efforts of St. Patrick in the 5th century. This pilgrimage includes visits to many historical churches as well as a visit to Knock, where in 1879, Mary appeared to 15 townspeople. In addition to your Irish Guide, as part of this pilgrimage, Fr. David Johnston and Fr. John Pirt will be offering daily Mass. Cost is \$2639 per person (Based on twin) - airfare extra. For further information, contact Cheryl Johnston, 855 St. Clair St., Chatham, ON N7L 0E9 Phone: 519-354-6040 or 1 877 735 5633 ext 6225 Email: cjohnston@selloffvacations.com

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, SPAIN & LOURDES

Join us from May 5-14, 2019 on a 10 day pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain & Lourdes with Fr. Tom Ferrera and 206 Tours, the leader in Catholic Tours! Your trip includes centrally located first class hotels, transfers, breakfast and dinner daily, transportation by air-conditioned motor coach and the assistance of a professional local guide. Fr. Tom will be offering spiritual direction and mass daily. Cost is \$3,820 per person, based on double occupancy, plus airfare. Anyone interested in this great opportunity can visit and register online at www.pilgrimages.com/frferrera. For more information please call Carol VanMoerkerke at 519-877-2355 or Karin Lansink at 519-550-0304.

FAMILY CATECHISM

We are a group that offers family faith formation in a welcoming setting - teaching your children the fundamentals of the Catholic Faith with other like minded parents is fun and effective! We offer classes for JK - Gr. 9, as well as an adult video and discussion. Our next meeting is on Sunday, March 3 at 2:55 pm in the Father Langan Parish Centre. For more information please visit www.famfi.ca or talk to John & Karin Lansink at 519-550-0304.

COME AND SEE DISCERNMENT MARCH 1-3 AT ST. PETER'S SEMINARY

St. Peter's Seminary invites you to a discernment retreat for men 17-45 years old considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a firsthand experience at the life of a seminarian, spiritual helps for discernment and an opportunity to meet current seminarians and faculty. Contact Fr. Patrick Bénéteau at vocations@dol.ca, or 519-432-1824 ext. 204, for more information or to register. Visit www.dol.ca/news to view the event postcard .

CWL PAINT DAY

Thank you to the many who will be painting with the CWL on Saturday February 23rd. It promises to be a fun filled afternoon. Tickets are still available, (\$45.20) for paint day, but only until Wednesday February 20th. If you've been waiting to purchase your ticket please contact Rosanne Fillion (519) 842-4372 by February 20th.

CWL MEMBERSHIPS

Just a gentle reminder that payment is due for membership. If you do not have your envelope for 2019 membership from last year's offertory envelopes, please use a plain envelope clearly marked for CWL with your name, phone number and address. Dues are still only \$25.00 per year. We will start making phone calls in February for those late payments as well. If you are unsure if you have paid your dues, please do not hesitate to contact me. God bless, Kathy Holly (519-842-8826) kathyevelly@live.com.

CWL VISION MASS

St. Mary's Catholic Women's League is a sponsor for the daily TV Vision mass which will be broadcasted on Saturday March 2, 2019 on Vision Television.

HEALING JOURNEY THROUGH GRIEF

Sacred Heart Parish, Ingersoll will hold an eight week grief support group called "Healing Journey Through Grief" Thursday March 21st until Thursday May 9th. The group will use the Alan Wolfelt resource Understanding your grief: Ten essential touchstones for finding hope and healing your heart. Registration is limited to 8 participants for these sessions. The cost of the resources is being shared by the Parish Health Ministry at Sacred Heart reducing the cost for the eight sessions to \$25.00. For more information or to register, contact Faye Brekelmans at 519-485-1802.

VON OXFORD HOSPICE AND BEREAVEMENT SUPPORTS

VON Oxford Hospice and Bereavement Supports is presently recruiting volunteers for Family and Caregiver Support Services, Adult Bereavement Support, Children's Bereavement Support and Hospice Visiting. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Heidi at 519-539-1231 X 232 or email heidi.o'brien@von.ca.

KING'S OPEN HOUSE

King's University College will be hosting an open house for future students, friends, family and alumni on Sat, Mar 9 from noon - 4 pm. All are welcome. Attend program Ted Talks, tour campus and residence, and meet professors and current students to learn about programs for Fall 2019. For more information, please visit <https://www.kings.uwo.ca/about-kings/media-and-communications/newsroom/kings-open-house-coming-march-9/>