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WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday to Friday at 8am

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday at 5pm
Sunday at 10:30am

SUMMER MASSES
St. Anne of the Lakes, Erieau
Saturday at 3:45pm
May to September

MASS TIMES FOR ST. MICHAEL'S, RIDGETOWN

WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday to Friday at 8:30am

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday at 5pm Sept to May
Sunday at 9 & 11am

SUMMER MASSES
St. Gabriel's, Rondeau
Saturday at 5pm
May to September

MASS TIMES FOR ST. PAUL'S, THAMESVILLE

WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday at 6:30pm
Thursday at 6:30pm
Saturday at 8:30am

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday at 7pm
Sunday at 8:30am

FEBRUARY 23RD, 2020 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please Pray for Healing: Sandra Sonneveld, sister of Randy Sterling (B), Carolyn Malic (T), Max Connolly, brother of Linda Burk (B), Nicholas (B), Germaine Pynenbrouck (R), Connie Murray (B), Andrea Pike (R), Michelle MacLean (B), Marcel deWit (R), Irene Stepniak (R), Art Tremblay (B), Lena Mazan (R), Roger DeCock (B), Antoinette Lauzon (B), Sylvain Bilodeau (B), Ruth Demaiter (T), Denise DeWitte (B), Frank Slemensky (B), Diana and Dennis Klodt (B), Tony Driessen (B), John Irving (B), Bessie Kominek (R), Dr. Janet (Vlasschaert) McElhaney (B), Lorraine McIntosh, Gerry Willemsen (B), Jim Clark (R), Bill Van Loon (B), Lorraine Trinacty (B), Harry Wijsman (R), Leatha Burke (R) and all others in our parish who need prayers.

Please Pray for the Deceased: Please pray for those who have died, and for all the deceased members of our families.

Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar: Mrs. Chrisandra Skipper, Campus Minister; Rev. Ronaldo (Ronnie) Tagnines; Mrs. Kim Bornais, Coordinator of Youth Ministry; Rev. Pio D'Oria; Deacon Steve Cartier; Mrs. Maria Mollica, Coordinator of Youth Ministry

****The Deadline for the bulletin is Wednesday at 10am for St. Mary's & St. Michael's and Tuesday at 11am for St. Paul's****
Please phone the parish office concerning the Sacrament of Baptism, Anointing of the Sick and Communion visits.
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Half hour before all Weekend Masses or by appointment
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Please phone the parish office at least six months before your planned wedding date.

COMMUNITY VILLAGE MASSES:

Mass is held every second Friday of every month at 10am at Blenheim Community Village, and every second Tuesday of every month at 10am at the Ridgetown Village. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

FOOD BANKS HOURS AND LOCATIONS:

<p>BLenheim FOOD BANK Blenheim Baptist Church, 24 Talbot St. E. Wed. 1pm-4pm, Thurs. 1pm-4pm</p>	<p>RIDGETOWN FOOD BANK Salvation Army, 18 Main St. 519-674-3765 Tues. & Fri. 10am-4pm, Wed. & Thurs. 10am-12pm</p>	<p>THAMESVILLE FOOD BANK Thamesville United Church, 107 Elizabeth St.</p>
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FOOD BANKS:

A basket is available at St. Mary's for anyone wishing to drop off donations for the Blenheim Food Bank for distribution to those in need. There is a cubby by the driveway at Thamesville United Church, open 24/7. Take only what you need. If you are able to help with donations, please bring to the front entrance of the United Church Monday through Friday.

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7th Sunday of Ordinary Time
"The Lord is merciful and gracious ."

St. Mary's Mass Intentions
February 25th - March 1st, 2020

Tue	8:00am - +Rose Monroe
Wed	8:00am - Ash Wednesday Mass - For Our Parish Family
	9:45pm - School Ash Wednesday Mass
	6:00pm - Ash Wednesday Mass - For Our Parish Family
Thu	8:00am - +Linda Prevett
Fri	8:00am - +Herman Kempe
Sat	5:00pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	10:30am - For Our Parish Family

St. Michael's Mass Intentions
February 25th - March 1st, 2020

Tues	8:30 am - †Helen VanErp
Wed	11:15pm - School Ash Wednesday Mass
	7:00pm - Ash Wednesday Mass - For Our Parish Family
Thurs	8:30 am - †Donald Borg & †Peter Timmermans
Fri	8:30 am - †Joseph DeCock
Sat	5:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	9:00 am - For Our Parish Family
	11:00am - For Our Parish Family

St. Paul's Mass Intentions
February 25th - March 1st, 2020

Tues	6:30 pm - †Joseph & Rose Vereecken
Wed	9:45pm - School Ash Wednesday Mass
	8:00pm - Ash Wednesday Mass - For Our Parish Family
Thurs	6:30 pm - †Joan Gray
Sat	8:30 am - †Iona Curran
Sat	7:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	8:30 am - For Our Parish Family

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN & PORTUGAL
 Walk in the footsteps of our Blessed Mother in Lourdes and join in pilgrims from all over the world on the day of the Sixth apparition in Fatima. Pray at the Basilica of St. Therese in Lesieux, the Monastery of the Incarnation, and the convent of St. Teresa in Avilla. See the most vibrant European capitals like Paris and Lisbon!!! New Prices. For more information and to register, talk to Father John.

YOU ASKED:
How do we Celebrate when Cremation takes place before the Funeral?
 For a variety of reasons the decision is sometimes made to have cremation take place before the funeral rites are celebrated. If family members and friends gather at the crematorium, the prayers "At the Crematorium: Gathering in the Presence of the Body" may be prayed there. The cremated remains of the deceased are to be treated with the same reverence that is given to the body of the deceased. The cremated remains are placed in their entirety in a secure vessel.

LENTEN HAPPENINGS
 Ash Wednesday is approaching!
 Lent begins on February 26. The Family of Parishes offers opportunities for you to grow in your Lenten journey:
 -Lenten Lunches every Thursday during Lent beginning February 27 in St. Mary's Hall, Blenheim. Come and hear different speakers talk about Lent.
 -On Saturday, February 29 we are offering a Lenten Day of Prayer Retreat starting with Mass at 9:00am and ending at 3:00pm. This will take place in St. Michael's, Ridgetown. This Retreat will be given by Father John Comiskey. Lunch is included, so please register with the secretaries or Father John, so we can prepare enough food.
 -There will also be a Mission during Lent. Watch for further details.

SPECIAL LENTEN HAPPENINGS

Communal Penitential Service - Sun, March 29 at 3 pm at St. Joseph's Church, Chatham

Day of Confession Wednesday April 1
St. Mary's - 9-11am and 7-9pm
St. Michael's - 9-11am and 2-4pm
St. Paul's - 2-4pm and 7-9pm

Stations of the Cross:
St. Mary's
 February 28 - 7pm - St. Mary's Ladies Auxiliary
 March 6 - 7pm - Knights of Columbus
 March 13 - 7pm - Pastoral Council
 March 20 - 7pm - (to be announced)
 March 27 - 7pm - R.C.I.A.
 April 3 - 7pm - Cursillo
St. Michael's
 February 28 - 7pm - Priest and Pastoral Council
 March 6 - 7pm - RCIA and Altar Servers
 March 13 - 7pm - Morning Coffee Group
 March 20 - 7pm - Knights of Columbus
 March 27 - 7pm - Catholic Women's League
 April 3 - 7pm - St. Michael's School
St. Paul's
 Each Friday during Lent at 7pm (leaders to be announced)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Time	Function	Location
Feb 23	9:30am	Confirmation classes	St. Paul's, Thamesville
Feb 24	9:00am	Burden Bears	St. Mary's, Blenheim
Feb 24	7:00pm	Choir Workshop	St. Mary's, Blenheim
Feb 25	4:30pm	Knights of Columbus pancake supper	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
Feb 26	4:00pm	Confirmation classes	St. Anne's School, Blenheim
Feb 26		Ash Wednesday Masses (see Mass Schedules for times and places)	
Feb 27	11:30am	Lenten Lunch	St. Mary's, Blenheim
Feb 27	7:00pm	1st Reconciliation classes	St. Paul's, Thamesville
Feb 28	7:00pm	Stations of the Cross	All three parishes
Mar 1	9:30am	Confirmation classes	St. Paul's, Thamesville
Mar 3	2:00pm	St. Mary's Ladies Auxiliary meeting	St. Mary's, Blenheim
Mar 4	4:00pm	Confirmation classes	St. Anne's School, Blenheim
Mar 4	6:30pm	Pastoral Council	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
Mar 5	11:30am	Lenten Lunch	St. Mary's, Blenheim

ST. PAUL'S 1ST RECONCILIATION & 1ST COMMUNION
 First Reconciliation classes will be from February 20th to March 12 Thursdays from 7-8pm, followed by 1st Communion classes from April 2nd to 30th from 7-8pm.

ST. PAUL'S CONFIRMATION

Confirmation for St. Paul's will be Sun. Apr. 19, during the 8:30am Mass. Confirmation classes have started and are held in the hall at St. Paul's from 9:30-10:30am on Sundays after Mass.

SOUP KITCHEN

St. Michael's is responsible for the soup kitchen on Thursday, February 27th. For more information please contact Mary at 519-678-3002.

LENTEN LUNCHES

The 36th Annual Lenten Lunches will begin Thursday, February 27 at 11:30am. The cost is \$7.00/person, \$8.00 if take out, and children \$3.00. Once again we are looking for donations of cake mixes, soup ingredients, such as celery, onions, carrots. We could also use eggs, tuna and loaves of bread. Lastly we can always use monetary support. Please give to Kathy Kresan or Bernadette Lobbestael, or place in an envelope and put in the collection basket. Thank you so much for your generous donations.

Our guest speakers this year are:
 Feb. 27- Fr. John Juhl, OFM Cap
 Mar. 5 - Pastor Aron Wiebe, Evangelical Mennonite Church
 Mar. 12- Pastor Bill Terris, Blenheim Baptist Church
 Mar. 19 - Pastor Wanda Burse, Blenheim Community Village Chaplain & Rural United Pastoral Charge
 Mar. 26 - Pastor Tim Luimes, Blenheim Christian Reformed Church
 Apr. 2 - Pastor Johnny Washington, Shrewsbury Baptist Church

February 15th and 16th, 2020

St. Mary's
 Offertory - \$2,069.75
 Fuel - \$70.00; Initial Offering - \$10.00

St. Michael's Collections
 Offertory - \$1,912.50; Fuel - \$70.00

St. Paul's Collections
 Offertory - \$1,179.00; Renovations - \$50.00;
 Fuel - \$50.00; Initial offering - \$5.00
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ST. MICHAEL'S K OF C PANCAKE SUPPER

The Knights will be holding a Pancake Supper on Tuesday, Feb 25th (Shrove Tuesday) from 4:30-7pm in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome and the cost is a free will offering.



Youth Corner!!

Come & See Event St. Francis Friary

Young men from the age of 18 to 40 are invited to a Come and See Event with the Capuchin Franciscan Friars at St. Francis Friary, 9169 West Ridge Lint, off of Talbot Trail, Blenheim on March 14th. We will begin at 9am and will end at 4pm. Come and pray with us and learn about our life as brothers and priests who follow St. Francis of Assisi, St. Padre Pio and Blessed Solanus Casey and may other saints. If you plan to attend contact Fr. Louis Mousseau by phone at 519-676-7623 or email friarlouisca@yahoo.ca