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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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<p>MASS TIMES FOR ST. MARY'S, BLENHEIM</p> <p>WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday to Friday at 8am</p> <p>SUNDAY MASSES Saturday at 5pm Sunday at 10:30am</p> <p>SUMMER MASSES St. Anne of the Lakes, Erieau Saturday at 3:45pm May to September</p>	<p>MASS TIMES FOR ST. MICHAEL'S, RIDGETOWN</p> <p>WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday to Friday at 8:30am</p> <p>SUNDAY MASSES Saturday at 5pm Sept to May Sunday at 9 & 11am</p> <p>SUMMER MASSES St. Gabriel's, Rondeau Saturday at 5pm May to September</p>	<p>MASS TIMES FOR ST. PAUL'S, THAMESVILLE</p> <p>WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday at 6:30pm Thursday at 6:30pm Saturday at 8:30am</p> <p>SUNDAY MASSES Saturday at 7pm Sunday at 8:30am</p>
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MARCH 1ST, 2020 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

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, Romeo Lauzon and for all the deceased members of our families.

Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar: Mrs. Mary-Catherine Bishop, Pastoral Minister; Rev. John Pirt; Rev. Kazimieras Kaknevicus; Deacon Paul James; Deacon Dominic Vu; Rev. Mr. Phil Guimaraes; Rev. Christopher Gillespie

****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.

1st Sunday in Lent

"Have mercy Lord, for we have sinned."

St. Mary's Mass Intentions	
March 3rd - March 8th, 2020	
Tue	8:00am - +Teresa Alves
Wed	8:00am - +Annie Myslik
Thu	8:00am - +Herman Kempe
Fri	8:00am - +John Podolinsky
Sat	5:00pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	10:30am - For Our Parish Family

St. Michael's Mass Intentions	
March 3rd - March 8th, 2020	
Tues	8:30 am - †Martin Gazarek
	8:30 am - †Anthony & Mary Gazarek
Wed	8:30 am - †Adayang & Bandu
Thurs	8:30 am - †Joseph & Caroline Martens
Fri	8:30 am - Special Intentions
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	
March 3rd - March 8th, 2020	
Tues	6:30 pm - †Iona Curran
Thurs	6:30 pm - Capuchin Intention
Sat	8:30 am - †Iona Curran
Sat	7:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	8:30 am - For Our Parish Family

CWL AND CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN
 During the year 2020, St. Michael's CWL will be collecting body/facial bar soap and powdered or bar laundry soap to assist the poor in underdeveloped countries. Soap decreases skin infections, diarrhea and pneumonia. Our CWL works closely with CFFC. Please refrain from liquid laundry soap. Laundry soap is available in bar soap or powdered detergent locally. Also if you have any unused binders in good condition, *please note that the size required for underdeveloped countries is 1 to 1 1/2 inches*, they can also be placed in the bin at the back of the church. Thank you for your support for the poor!

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT FOR THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS OF LENT...

1. Where have you seen God this week?
2. What makes you feel the most alive?
3. What gives you the most hope for the future?
4. What is one thing you feel God is inviting you to right now?
5. In difficult times in your life, have you felt closer or farther from God? Why do you think that is?
6. When you get to heaven, what is one question you will ask God?
7. Who is one person you think God put into your life for a reason (and what is that reason?)

LENTEN HAPPENINGS

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.

There will also be a Mission during Lent. It will take place on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday March 2nd, 3rd, and 5th at 7pm at St. Michael's Church in Ridgetown. This years Mission will be given by Fr. Paul Duplessie, OFM Cap.

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

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

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
Mar 1	9:30am	Confirmation classes	St. Paul's, Thamesville
Mar 2, 3 & 5	7:00pm	Lenten Mission	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
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 Luncheon	St. Mary's, Blenheim
Mar 5	7:00pm	Knights of Columbus meeting	St. Mary's, Blenheim
Mar 6	9am-11:30am	First Friday Eucharistic Adoration	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
Mar 6	10:00am	Communion Visits	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
Mar 6	3:30-4:30pm	First Friday Eucharistic Adoration	St. Mary's, Blenheim
Mar 6	7:00pm	Stations of the Cross	All three parishes
Mar 7	8am-10am	First Saturday Devotions	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
Mar 7	9:00am	Eucharistic Adoration	St. Paul's, Thamesville

ST. MICHAEL'S FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS AND COMMUNION OF REPARATION

Join us at St. Michael's Ridgetown, Saturday February 7th from 8-10am to pray for the peace and salvation of the world and for the conversion of sinners.

FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Come spend some time with the Lord on Friday February 6th. Adoration will begin in St. Michael's after morning Mass and will end with prayers at 11:30am. Please see the sign up sheet at the back of the church to ensure someone is present throughout the day. St. Mary's Eucharistic Adoration will be from 3:30-4:30pm.

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

Our guest speakers this year are:

Mar. 5 - Pastor Aron Wiebe, Evangelical Mennonite

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

ST. PAUL'S EASTER FLOWERS

St. Paul's will once again be taking donations towards our Easter Flowers. Please include your name and the name(s) of those you wish remembered, along with your donation, in an envelope marked "flowers". Please have donations in by Mar. 28/29 in order to have the names in our Easter bulletin.

ST. MICHAEL'S EASTER FLOWERS

Easter Flowers are available for purchase in memory of loved ones for Easter this year. Easter Lilies are \$12.00 and Hydrangeas are \$30.00 and come in blue, pink or white. Please call the office with your request or place your request in the offertory in an envelope clearly marked with what you wish.

February 22nd and 23rd, 2020

St. Mary's

Offertory - \$2,069.75; Restoration Fund - \$1,456.75
 Fuel - \$10.00; Special Donation - \$94.47
 St. Vincent de Paul - \$25300; Thanksgiving - \$2,000.00

St. Michael's Collections

Offertory - \$1,777.10; Restoration Fund - \$0.00
 Initial Offering - \$5.00; St. Vincent de Paul - \$400.00

St. Paul's Collections

Offertory - \$660.00; Renovations - \$480.00;
 St. Vincent de Paul - \$50.00

Pre-Authorized Collections for February 2020

St. Mary's

Offertory - \$2,132.00
 Restoration Fund - \$489.00; Fuel - \$235.00
 St Vincent de Paul- \$65.00; Flowers - \$5.00
 Thanksgiving Appeal - \$95.00

St. Michael's

Offertory - \$1,068.33; Restoration Fund - \$488.66
 Fuel - \$30.00; St. Vincent de Paul - \$10.00

Thank you for your support!

*Could envelope use #469 please include your name on the next envelope or call St. Paul's office to be sure you get credit for your donation. Thank you.

BAPTISMS

Welcome Aiden Graham Demaiter, Natalie Frances Demaiter and Norah Idalie Demaiter, who were baptized in the South Kent Catholic Family of Parishes. May God continue to bless you and your family.

Youth Corner!!

Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life. The very first words, then, that I would like to say to every young Christian are these: Christ is alive and he wants you to be alive!
 ... Pope Francis

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2020

LENT



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
(R) - St. Michael's, Ridgetown (B) - St. Mary's, Blenheim (T) - St. Paul's, Thamesville No letter - means it's at all three Churches						
1 1st Sunday of Lent 9:30am Confirmation classes St. Paul's basement 11am St. Michael's YES Mass	2 Parish Mission Fr. Paul Duplessie at St. Michael's 7:00pm	3 2:00pm St. Mary's Ladies Auxiliary meeting 3:30pm St. Mary's Choir practice Parish Mission Fr. Paul Duplessie at St. Michael's 7:00pm	4 4:00pm Confirmation classes St. Anne's School 6:30pm Pastoral Council meeting (R)	5 11:30am Lenten Luncheon (B) 7:30pm Knights of Columbus meeting (B) Parish Mission Fr. Paul Duplessie at St. Michael's 7:00pm	6 1st Fri Eucharistic Adoration 9-12 (R) 1st Fri Eucharistic Adoration 3:30-4:30pm (B) Communion Visits (R) 7pm Stations of the Cross	7 8-10am First Saturday Devotions (R) Eucharistic Adoration after morning Mass (T)
8 2nd Sunday of Lent 9:30am Confirmation classes St. Paul's basement <i>Daylight Savings Time begins</i>	9 6:30pm CWL meeting (R)	10 <i>Offices closed for Secretary Workshop</i> 10am Ridgetown Village Mass 3:30pm St. Mary's Choir practice	11 9:30am CWL meeting (T) at Fast and Fresh Restaurant Thamesville 4:00pm Confirmation classes St. Anne's School	12 11:30am Lenten Luncheon (B) 7:00pm Knights of Columbus meeting (R) 7:00pm First Reconciliation classes (T)	13 10:00am Blenheim Community Village Mass 7pm Stations of the Cross	14 Eucharistic Adoration after morning Mass (T) Come & See Event at St. Francis Friary
15 3rd Sunday of Lent	16	17 3:30pm St. Mary's Choir practice	18 March Break	19 11:30am Lenten Luncheon (B) 6:30pm Knights of Columbus meeting (T)	20 7pm Stations of the Cross	21 Eucharistic Adoration after morning Mass (T) <i>Restoration collection</i>
22 4th Sunday of Lent <i>Restoration collection</i> 9:30am Confirmation classes St. Paul's basement 10am St. Mary's YES Mass	23	24 3:30pm St. Mary's Choir practice	25 9:30am Good Shepherd school Reconciliation 4:00pm Confirmation classes St. Anne's School	26 9:30am St. Anne's school Reconciliation 11:30am Lenten Luncheon (B) 7:00pm First Reconciliation classes (T)	27 9:30am St. Michael's school Reconciliation 7pm Stations of the Cross	28 <i>Share Lent Collection</i> Eucharistic Adoration after morning Mass (T) 7:00pm First Reconciliation (T)
29 5th Sunday of Lent <i>Share Lent Collection</i> 9:30am Confirmation classes St. Paul's basement 3pm Communal Penitential Service St. Joseph's Chatham	30	31 3:30pm St. Mary's Choir practice	April 1st Day of Confessions St. Mary's - 9-11am and 7-9pm St. Michael's - 9-11am and 2-4pm St. Paul's - 2-4pm and 7-9pm			

March Schedules 2020

St. Mary's

March 2020 SCHEDULES

Ministers of Hospitality

5:00pm - Volunteers
 10:30am - Paul Bolohan
 Joe Kormendy
 Peter Vercoouteren
 Brandon Fields

Greeters

29 5:00pm Joanne Jones
 Mar 1 10:30am Paul Bolohan
 Barbara Sweet

7 5:00pm Linda Clendenning
 8 10:30am Margaret Vlasshaert
 Sharron Dye

14 5:00pm Joanne Jones
 15 10:30am Kathy Kresan
 Paul Bolohan

21 5:00pm Linda Clendenning
 22 10:30am YES Mass

28 5:00pm Joanne Jones
 29 10:30am Bonnie Nicholson
 Barbara Sweet

Collection Counters

March 1 - Team #2
 March 8 - Team #3
 March 15 - Team #4
 March 22 - Team #5
 March 29 - Team #1

St. Michael's

March 2020 Schedules

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Auxiliary Minister of Holy Communion</u>
Feb 29 5:00pm	K. Mitton	J. Banovic
Mar 1 9:00am	J. Shaw	J. Cameron
11:00am	C. Baillargeon	C. Baillargeon
7 5:00pm	K. Mitton	J. Matthyssen
8 9:00am	Y. Ball	Y. Ball
11:00am	B. Fuller	B. Fuller
14 5:00pm	J. Lozon	F. Beenackers
15 9:00am	R. Bastien	J. Cameron
11:00am	I. Moore	deWit
21 5:00pm	Y. Ball	Y. Ball
22 9:00am	E. Hoskins	B. Long
11:00am	J. Smith	J. Smith
28 5:00pm	K. Paton	K. Paton
29 9:00am	J. Shaw	D. Deprez
11:00am	V. Eade	V. Eade

Collection Counters

March 1 - Team #2
 March 8 - Team #3
 March 15 - Team #4
 March 22 - Team #1
 March 29 - Team #2

Village Eucharistic Ministers

March 1 - Jim and Barbara Cooper
 March 8 - Fred Eade
 March 15 - Henk & Joanne deWit
 March 22 - Cheryl Johnson
 March 29 - Jim and Barbara Cooper

St. Paul's

March 2020 Schedules

Lector

February 29 Grayce Huys
 March 1 Margaret DeClerk

7 Tom
 8 Tanya

14 Grayce
 15 Margaret

21 Grayce
 22 Tanya

28 Tom
 29 Margaret

March 1 Joanne Patterson & Annie Verhallen
 8 Barb Noorenberghe & Brenda Pumfrey
 15 Roseanne Cameron & Jim Tinline
 22 Dave Huys & Bonnie Vanrabaeyns
 29 Joanne Patterson & Anne Verhallen