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ALL MASSES CANCELLED

Visit our website at
<https://southkentcatholicfamilyofparishes.ca/> and click on
the 'Watch Sunday Mass' link to view Mass that will be live
streamed from St. Michael's on Sunday at 11am.

MAY 31ST, 2020

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Please Pray for Healing: Peggy Vlasschaert Hart (B), Patricia Vanrabaeyns (T), Martha Lavrin (sister of Wendy VanDyk) (T), Sister Emerita, Marcel deWit (R), Cheryl Ann Fisher (T), Linda Burk (B), Eugene Barron Piggot, Ray Breault (R), Sandra Sonneveld, sister of Randy Sterling (B), 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: Mr. Christopher Lapain, Coordinator of Youth Ministry; Deacon David Robertson; Rev. Abraham Sebastian, CST; Deacon Rudy Terpstra; Rev. Jose Lopez, FMM; High School Campus Ministers; Rev. Vincent Gennardo, CS

Dear brothers and sisters,

Peace and goodness. It is hard to believe that summer is almost here. This Sunday we celebrate Pentecost. I pray that each and everyone of you be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The spirit that we received at baptism and confirmation. It looks now that the churches will not be opened till the end of June. I know how difficult this is. It is being done for the protection of all. Here in our family of faith we are blessed because very few of us are sick with the virus. I believe that the spirit is alive and blowing amongst us. we might not feel it or see it, but the spirit is acting in us with every gesture of love and concern for others. Please pray for the church and one another in these difficult times

Your Pastor
Fr John

You can visit our website at <https://southkentcatholicfamilyofparishes.ca/> for updates. Sunday Mass at 11am is available by clicking on the 'Watch Sunday Mass' link. And don't forget to follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/skrfamily>

The Church still has regular financial responsibilities, if possible, please continue supporting the Family of Parishes with your contributions. They can be dropped off at the offices, or mail them to the address of your parish, or the one on the envelope. Thank you for your support.

Mass Intentions

Mass intentions will be honored at the Friary as requested as much as possible. Masses can still be requested through telephone or email to the parish offices.

RIGHT TO LIFE BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

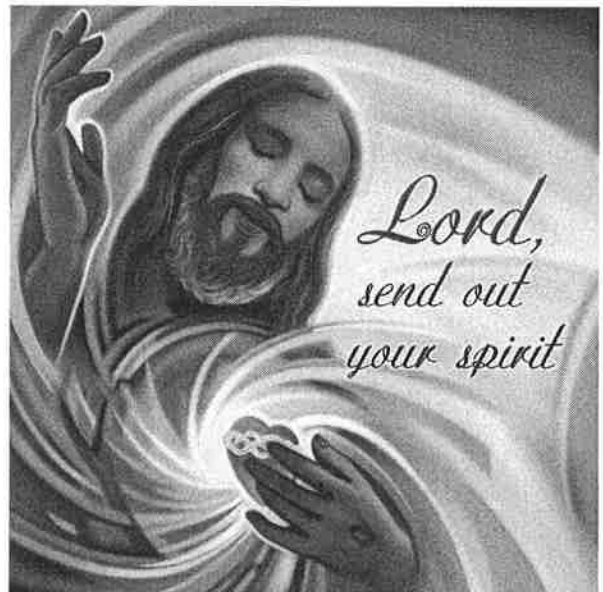
The Baby Bottle Boomerang is the main fundraiser of the year for Right to Life Kent-Refuge Pregnancy Resource Centre; as you well know, this year's BBB Campaign has been greatly impacted by COVID-19. The BBB Campaign has been set up virtually on the canadahelps.org webpage. You can now donate for the campaign through this link: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/dn/m/49216/donation> Anyone with questions or concerns or if you would like a check or cash donation to be taken in directly, you can call your parish person in charge - St. Michael's, Lorraine Laframboise at 519-674-0242; St. Mary's, Joe Kormendy at 519-676-8747; St. Paul's, Carolyn at 519-692-3874

RIDGETOWN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BURSARY

Once again the Council 8435 Knights of Columbus will be offering one \$500 bursary, for a student from the Parish enrolled in a post secondary education program in the fall of 2020. Applications are available at the parish office. Applications are due at the parish office by June 5, 2020. For further information please contact the parish office or Paul Johnston 519-365-8340.

Stewardship - A Way of Life - Sharing God's Gifts

Today, as we celebrate the birthday of the Church with the coming of the Holy Spirit, we also reflect on the gifts that the Spirit gives to each of us. Let us pray to be able to recognize them, and ask for the grace to use them for the sake of the Kingdom.



2020 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the 2020 Wedding Anniversary Mass has been cancelled. The annual event will take place next spring at a location to be decided.

RETRouvaille WEEKENDS CANCELLED

After a long deliberation with our Administration committees for both London/St Thomas as well as Windsor Retrouvaille communities, we have decided to cancel our upcoming Retrouvaille weekends due to COVID-19 and the logistics of having these weekends at retreat centres. Please be advised that the Retrouvaille weekend planned for Holy Family Retreat Centre for August 14-16 has been cancelled by the Windsor Retrouvaille community. Please be advised the Retrouvaille weekend planned for the Michaelite Centre for August 28 -30 has been cancelled by the London/St Thomas community. Other communities currently have weekends scheduled later in the fall. Please visit the Retrouvaille website for more information.

SUMMER CAMP REVAMP

We are sad to announce that summer camps, as we have come to know them, will have to be canceled for this summer. This includes our Leadership Camps as well as our Reach programs scheduled in various places around the diocese. However, we are anticipating the hiring of a number of students this summer who will assist in creating and implementing a number of fun and creative initiatives for families, children, and teens that will be available to a larger number of parishes and individuals than we are normally able to serve. The job postings can be found at www.dol.ca/employmentvolunteering and we encourage applications from around the diocese.

OUR DAILY BREAD

The June, July and August Our Daily Bread booklets are available at the Parish Offices. Please call ahead to make arrangements for pick up.

COVID-19 UPDATE FROM BISHOP FABBRO (Update #9)

At the weekly teleconference with the Episcopal Council, we discussed the extension of the COVID-19 lockdown. I direct the following be communicated to all people of the Diocese:

1. Continuation of the Lockdown

We continue to follow strictly the direction of the Government of Ontario and local health authorities as to when the lockdown will be lifted. With other dioceses in Ontario, we are awaiting guidelines being prepared under the auspices of the Bishops of Ontario to safely reopen our churches. These guidelines will then be implemented at the diocesan level. We are mindful that preparations for the return to celebrations of the Mass and sacraments will take a great deal of organization and work, in order to maintain a healthy environment to prevent further spread of the coronavirus.

In light of the above, our churches will remain closed at least until the end of June. If the government's emergency orders are lifted sooner, we will adjust accordingly.

2. Cancellation of Summer Gatherings

All social and other religious events normally held during the summer months will be cancelled, at least until Labour Day. This directive is contingent on governmental directions as noted above. It includes parish dinners and picnics; yard sales and bazaars; and national religious festivals and pilgrimages.

We continue to pray for an end to the pandemic, for all who suffer illness, for those who care for them and provide essential services, for those who have died and for those who have lost loved ones. May Our Blessed Mother continue to intercede for us, for God's mercy and deliverance.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, C.S.B.
Bishop of London

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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:

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| <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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