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#### MASS TIMES FOR ST. MARY'S, BLENHEIM

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  
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

**DECEMBER 20TH, 2020**

**4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Please Pray for Healing:** Frank Vercouteren (R), Sam Telford (T), John Eckert brother of Margie Mahoney (B), Betty DeBrouwer (B), Wendy Vercouteren (B), Art Kemp brother of Jeff Kemp (R), Carolyn Malic (T), Cathy Taylor (R), Peggy Vlasschaert Hart (B), Sister Emerita, Cheryl Ann Fisher (T), Linda Burk (B), Andrea Pike (R), Ray Breault (R), Sandra Sonneveld, sister of Randy Sterling (B), Max Connolly (B), Germaine Pynenbrouck (R), Connie Murray (B), Michelle MacLean (B), Irene Stepniak (R), Art Tremblay (B), Lena Mazan (R), Ruth Demaiter (T), Denise DeWitte (B), Frank Slemensky (B), Bill Van Loon (B), Lorraine Trinacty (B), Leatha Burke (R), and all others in our parish who need prayers.

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

**Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar:** Rev. Matthew George; Mrs. Lynn Di Pinto, Coordinator of Youth Ministry; Deacon Joseph Manzara; Rev. Michael Ryan; Rev. Steven Huber, CSB; Rev. Seejo John

**\*\*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.

Dear parishioners

Lover, Love, Love, all we need is love - A Beatles song. On this fourth Sunday of Advent, we light the last of the purple candles, it is called LOVE. Loving God we thank you for your gift of love. As we approach Christmas let us remember that the Love of Jesus Christ never ends. What Jesus wants of us is to be followers of Him and not just admire. Have a blessed last week of advent knowing how much God loves you.

Fr John

You can visit our website at <https://southkentcatholicfamilyofparishes.ca/> for updates and the bulletin (*be sure to click on the date at the left of the page to see the full bulletin*). 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/skrcfamily>

### St. Mary's Mass Intentions

**December 22nd - December 27th, 2020**

Tue	8:00am - †Jean and Matt Machan
	8:00am - †Willie Driessen
Wed	8:00am - Int. of Dan and Margie Mahoney
	8:00am - Deceased Lenover-Kormendy Family Members
*Thu	4:30 pm - For our Parish Family
	7:00 pm - For our Parish Family
	9:30 pm - For our Parish Family
*Fri	10:30 am - For our Parish Family
Sat	5:00pm - For our Parish Family
Sun	10:30am - For our Parish Family

### St. Michael's Mass Intentions

**December 22nd - December 27th, 2020**

Tue	8:30 am - †Andja Banovic
	8:30 am - †Donald Borg
Wed	8:30 am - †Irene Hart
	8:30 am - Int of the Miller and Sanson Families
*Thu	5:00 pm - For our Parish Family
	11:00 pm - For our Parish Family
*Fri	10:00 am - For our Parish Family
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

**December 22nd - December 27th, 2020**

Tues	6:30 pm - †Margaret DeClerk
*Thu	7:00 pm - For our Parish Family
	12:00 am - For our Parish Family
*Fri	8:30 am - For our Parish Family
Sat	8:30 am - †Margaret DeClerk
Sat	7:00 pm - For our Parish Family
Sun	8:30 am - For our Parish Family

### EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION

I, Bishop Fabbro, am hereby extending the dispensation from the Sunday obligation, including the solemnities of the Nativity of the Lord and Mary, Mother of God, until Easter. It seems unlikely that our situation with respect to the COVID-19 pandemic will change in the near future.

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

### CHRISTMAS/NEW YEARS SCHEDULE

#### Christmas Eve Dec 24

4:30pm - Christmas Mass - St. Mary's, Blenheim  
7:00pm - Christmas Mass - St. Mary's, Blenheim  
9:30pm - Midnight Mass - St. Mary's, Blenheim  
5:00pm - Christmas Mass - St. Michael's, Ridgetown  
11:00pm - Midnight Mass - St. Michael's, Ridgetown  
7:00pm - Christmas Mass - St. Paul's, Thamesville  
12:00am - Midnight Mass - St. Paul's, Thamesville

#### Christmas Day Dec 25

10:30am - Mass - St. Mary's, Blenheim  
10:00am - Mass - St. Michael's, Ridgetown  
8:30am - Mass - St. Paul's, Thamesville

#### New Year's Eve Dec 31

6:30pm - Mass - St. Paul's, Thamesville

#### New Year's Day Jan 1

10:30am - Mass - St. Mary's, Blenheim  
10:00am - Mass - St. Michael's, Ridgetown

\*\*\*Attendance for Christmas and New Years

Masses will be on a first come basis, so be sure to arrive early\*\*\*

**\*\*MASKS\*\*** Please be advised that it is mandated by the Province of Ontario and Chatham Kent that masks **MUST** be worn in all public places. Please remember that Church is a public place.

## 4th Sunday of Advent

"Forever I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord!"

### MISSALS AND ENVELOPES

The 2020/2021 missals are available for purchase for \$5.00 from the parish offices.

2021 envelopes are ready to be picked up at the back of the church at St. Michael's and St. Paul's and in the crying room at St. Mary's.

**Please remember to social distance and touch only your envelopes.**

### MASS ATTENDANCE

We ask that you do not attend Mass at any of our parishes if you currently reside in an area that is an Orange, Red or Grey Zone, as per the Ontario.ca website: "Individuals and families in higher transmission areas should avoid travel to lower transmission areas..." This request takes into consideration the health of our regular parishioners, volunteers and staff. Please help us all stay safe and healthy and we hope you do as well under the current restrictions.

### 1ST RECONCILIATION CLASSES

Our grade two children along with their parents have started classes. Classes will be at 7pm in the respective Churches - St. Michael's will be on Tuesdays, St. Paul's on Wednesdays and St. Mary's on Thursdays. Please keep these families in your prayers as they begin this very important journey of faith.

### BLenheim EMERGENCY WARMING CENTRE

In Blenheim, the Evangelical Mennonite Mission Church, 286 Catherine St., will be serving as an Emergency Warming Centre during extreme cold weather warnings issued by the Chatham-Kent Public Health Unit. There is an immediate need for on-call volunteers to supervise the facility, make coffee, tea, etc. If you are able to help, please contact the Parish Office.

*Stewardship - A Way of Life - Sharing God's Gifts*  
David worries that the ark of God dwells in a tent; Mary doesn't hesitate to allow the ark of God to dwell within her. God is not bound by human constraints, and yet he asks us to participate with him and cooperate with his grace, that the ark of the covenant—and the arc of salvation history—may be made available to all.

### OFFERTORY DECEMBER 6TH, 2020

*St. Mary's:* Offertory \$947.00

### OFFERTORY DECEMBER 13TH, 2020

*St. Mary's:* Offertory \$2,217.50

*St. Michael's:* Offertory \$2,046.00

*St. Paul's:* Offertory \$3,410.00

*Thank you to all who continue to support our Parish, both spiritually and financially.*

To receive a tax receipt for 2020, donations must be received by December 31st.

### REMINDER

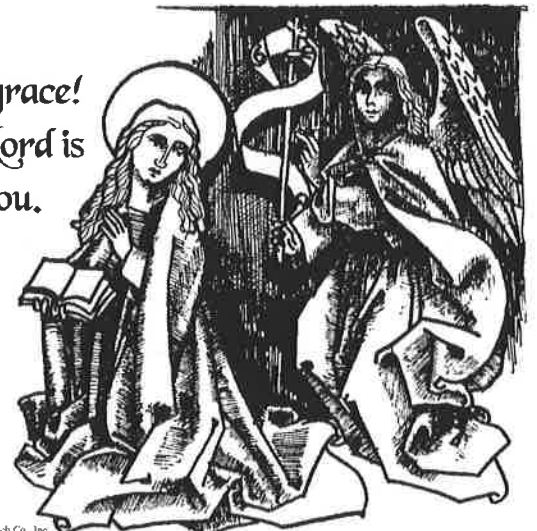
Please make checks payable to the Church you are attending. The banks will not cash checks made out to North American Martyrs or South Kent Catholic Family of Parishes.

### BAPTISMS

Welcome Wyatt William Cedar, Hudson Hubert Douglas Tedford, Michelle Ann Joseph, Colton John Reaume who were baptized in the South Kent Catholic Family of Parishes. May God continue to bless you and your family.



Hail,  
full of grace!  
The Lord is  
with you.



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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:

**BLenheim FOOD BANK**  
Blenheim Baptist Church,  
24 Talbot St. E.  
Wed. 1pm-4pm, Thurs. 1pm-4pm

**RIDGETOWN FOOD BANK**  
Salvation Army,  
18 Main St. 519-674-3765  
Tues. & Fri. 10am-4pm, Wed. & Thurs. 10am-12pm

**THAMESVILLE FOOD BANK**  
Thamesville United Church,  
107 Elizabeth St.

### 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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