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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 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

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

MARCH 28TH, 2021

PALM SUNDAY

Please Pray for Healing: Jeannie Havens (R), The Clark Family, Mike DeCook, John Eckert brother of Margie Mahoney (B), Art Kemp brother of Jeff Kemp (R), Cathy Taylor (R), Sister Emerita, Cheryl Ann Fisher (T), 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), 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, Carol Jouwsma, for all the deceased members of our families.

Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar: Rev. John Sharp; Rev Pierre Wood OFM Cap; Rev. Donald Pumputis; Rev. Danny Santos;

****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

Peace and goodness. It is hard to believe that we are entering Holy Week. It seems that time has gone very fast. A year ago we were completely closed down, now as we enter the holy week services we are being restricted. The services for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil will be low keyed. There will be no washing of the feet or processions, veneration of the cross will be done from the pews with a simple bow of the head, on Easter vigil there will be no fire or individual candles, and the music for these 3 days will be minimal. However, what is important is that these day are sacred to us and that we try to enter then with passion and devotion. May God bless you through this week as we prepare for Easter.

In Christ

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/skrccfamily>

EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION

Since the effects of the pandemic continue in our daily lives, as well as the need for wearing masks and maintaining physical distancing, Bishop Fabbro hereby extends the dispensation from Sunday obligation until the end of the Easter Season; that is, up to and including Pentecost Sunday.

****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.

Parish offices are closed to the public and the secretaries are working from home and checking emails and phone messages. They will return your calls and emails during regular office hours. Thank you for your patience.

Canadian Food For Children

Weekly wish list for Lent:

Week 6: soap, wrapped candy (no chocolate or anything that will melt or freeze), candy is used for rare treats and to help encourage sick children or those with malnutrition to take their medicine, peanut butter, and Canadian Tire money, good used bicycles, wheel chairs walkers, crutches are always needed.



BAPTISMS



Welcome Henry McQuarrie, son of Tyler & Dara, who was baptized in the South Kent Catholic Family of Parishes, St. Paul's. May God continue to bless you and your family.

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

Estimates say that human beings make as many as 35,000 choices each day. Through his sin of pride, the first man, Adam, attempted equality with God. Through humility and docility, Jesus put aside pride and accepted death on a cross for the salvation of mankind. In each moment, we have a choice - will we follow the example of Adam or the example of Jesus?

EASTER SCHEDULE FOR SOUTH KENT CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

Holy Thursday - (No morning Masses) Mass at 7:00pm at all 3 Parishes

Good Friday - (No morning Masses) Service at 3:00pm at all 3 Parishes

Holy Saturday - (No 5pm Masses) **Easter Vigil**
Due to limited seating there will be two Easter Vigils

*8:30pm at St. Mary's Church, Blenheim

*8:30pm Joint Mass for St. Paul's and St. Michael's at St. Michael's Ridgeway

Easter Sunday - Easter Sunday Masses
10:30am St. Mary's, Blenheim
9am & 11am at St. Michael's, Ridgeway
8:30 am at St. Paul's Thamesville

*all Masses/Services will be livestreamed from St. Michael's for those who cannot attend.

Palm Sunday

"Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!"



St. Mary's Mass Intentions March 30th - April 4th, 2021

Tue 8:00am - †Carol Jouwsma
Wed 8:00am - Int. of Anne DeBrouwer Family
Holy Thursday 7:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Good Friday 3:00 pm - Good Friday Service
Easter Vigil 8:30 pm - For Our Parish Family
Easter Sunday 10:30 am - For Our Parish Family

St. Michael's Mass Intentions March 30th - April 4th, 2021

Tue 8:30 am - †Ryan Lockyer
Wed 8:30 am - Intentions of Ray & Janette Lozon
(50th Wedding Anniversary)
Holy Thursday 7:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Good Friday 3:00 pm - Good Friday Service
Easter Vigil 8:30 pm - For Our Parish Family
Easter Sunday 9:00 am - For Our Parish Family
11:00am - For Our Parish Family

St. Paul's Mass Intentions March 30th - April 4th, 2021

Tue 6:30 pm - †Rose & Joe Vereecken
6:30 pm - †Tom Farrell
Holy Thursday 7:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Good Friday 3:00 pm - Good Friday Service
Sat 8:30 am - †Barbara VanGassen
Easter Vigil - Joint at St. Michael's, Ridgetown
8:30 pm - For Our Parish Family
Easter Sunday 8:30 am - For Our Parish Family

OFFERTORY MARCH 21ST, 2021

St. Mary's: Offertory \$1,446.00

St. Michael's: Offertory \$1,630.00

St. Paul's: Offertory \$570.00

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

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.

ENVELOPES

There are still 2021 envelope boxes that have not been picked up. Please call the parish offices to make arrangements for pick up. Thank you.

SHARE LENT

Share Love, Share Lent: Paschal progression. Did you know that Development and Peace has organized a Lenten campaign every year since 1968? Keeping up with the tradition, this year's campaign, Share Love, Share Lent, invites you to a final week of family fun, communal reflection, global solidarity and prayer. Don't miss our special campaign Way of the Cross! Catch the details and contribute at devp.org/lent.

HOLY WEEK

For the Palm Sunday Gospel, we return to the Gospel according to Mark. The account of the Passion takes up nearly one-third of Mark's entire Gospel and, of all the evangelists, he is the one who presents the details most graphically. He depicts the humanity of Jesus most intensely, describing his sufferings thoroughly. Mark portrays Jesus as a complete fulfillment of the "Suffering Servant" of Isaiah, the obedient, humble slave dying on a cross of whom Paul speaks in Philippians. But it is important to remember that we call this "Holy Week" and not "sad week" or "suffering week," for each of the readings today, even the lamentations of the psalm, end in the promise of the strength and hope that is granted by God to those who faithfully give of themselves in love. As we enter into this week through these readings, we must reflect deeply on the sufferings of Jesus, but still be confident in the joy of risen, eternal life that awaits all of us who faithfully walk with him through these days.

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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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