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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

#### MASS TIMES FOR ST. MICHAEL'S, RIDGETOWN

WEEKDAY MASSES  
Tuesday to Friday at 8:30am

SUNDAY MASSES  
Saturday at 5pm  
Sunday at 9 & 11am

#### 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 Masses.  
Morning Masses Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30am and weekend Mass on  
Sundays at 11am will be livestreamed from St. Michael's.

### SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2021 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Please Pray for Healing:** Jean Uher (B), Jeannie Havens (R), Mike DeCook, John Eckert brother of Margie Mahoney (B), Cathy Taylor (R), Sister Emerita, Sandra Sonneveld, sister of Randy Sterling (B), Germaine Pynenbrouck (R), Connie Murray (B), Michelle MacLean (B), Irene Stepniak (R), Lena Mazan (R), Denise DeWitte (B), Frank Slemensky (B), Bill Van Loon (B), and all others in our parish who need prayers.

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

**Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar:** Deacon Art Williams; Brother Michael Mascerehas, OFM Cap; Rev. Robert Remark; Ms. Lisa Mullins, Pastoral Worker; Rev. Daniel Vere; Rev. Michael Michon; Deacon Henry King

**\*\*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. School is back. That is wonderful. We pray that this may be a safe and healthy year for them. The sad news is that the priest and religious are not allowed into the school for visit. Which means that for almost 3 years I have not had the opportunity to see the students. I miss them. I have seen a few, and how they have grown. So parents or grandparents, please bring your children to church so that they may see a priest, and know that even though we have restrictions they can come to church. Otherwise it will be 3 years without knowing a priest, or that the church is alive and well. So keep safe and hope to see you soon.

Missing you,

Fr John

You can visit our website at <https://southkenticatholicfamilyofparishes.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>

#### EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION

Some parishioners are still expressing concerns about gathering in churches. As well, in light of the need for continued physical distancing, we will not be able to welcome everyone back for the foreseeable future. Therefore, the dispensation from the Sunday obligation will continue until the end of the liturgical year, that is 27 November 2021. As before, we will continue to monitor the situation.

+ *Ronald Salter, C.S.B.*

Our Churches are now open, capacity limited only by the requirement of physically-distanced seating. Masks must be worn.

**\*\*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 at all times. Please remember that Church is a public place - before, during and after Mass.**

#### MASS FOR VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OF CLERGY SEXUAL ABUSE

There will be a Mass for all 3 parishes at St. Michael's in Ridgetown at 7pm for the intentions of victims/survivors of clergy sexual abuse

#### IT'S ALL ABOUT CONTROL

From toddlerhood to old age, we grow in mastery of our own lives, our bodies, and our destiny. This mastery is hard won, and we don't let go of autonomy easily. Much of this self-mastery involves the avoidance of pain or discomfort, so when we hear things like "take up your cross" and "lose your life," we tend to resist the message.

James says that faith without works is dead. Ouch! That is really a direct message! One way to look at this, as well as the part about losing our life to find it, is that faith is a process of more and more openness to God's direction of our lives. It is very hard for us to give up control, but perhaps what we are being asked to do is not to become passive and babyish, but to allow God to direct where our self-mastery will lead and what it will accomplish. We are asked to relinquish the need to control the results of our efforts; to risk, as Jesus did, the loss of everything we are working to achieve. We are asked to let God take the lead and to control the results, even though we may never see those results.

#### RCIA

RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. RCIA is much more than a program. It is a learning and loving process in which conversion of the heart brings one to Jesus Christ. RCIA is an opportunity for those who have not been baptized, as well as for those who have been baptized, but have little affiliation with the Catholic Church. Through weekly gatherings, those attending gain a deeper appreciation and understanding of the Catholic beliefs and practices. Our RCIA program begins again soon sometime in October. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about our Catholic faith or in joining the church please contact one of the parish offices. All are welcome.

**24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*"I will walk with the Lord in the land of the living."*

**ST. PAUL'S CWL**

St. Paul's CWL will be having a book sale Sat. Sept. 18 & 19, after the Mass, in Church Hall. Please join for a coffee & donut while you search for your book. Paper backs are 50 cents and hardcover are \$1. There will be boxes at back of church to start collecting books for the sale. Also they are looking for old/used greeting cards to be donated. Thank you for your support.

**WEEKLY PRAYER**

*God of the hurting, awake in us a preference for those most in need of your love. Grant us the humility to receive the care of others when we are isolated, weak and alone. Awake in us the ability to discern how to best provide consolation and support to those most in need. Amen.*

**St. Mary's Mass Intentions**

**September 14th - September 19th, 2021**

Tue	8:00 am - Capuchin Intention
Wed	8:00 am - †Annette Van De Hogen
Thurs	8:00 am - Capuchin Intention
Fri	8:00 am - †Sigismondo DeVito
Sat	5:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	10:30 am - For Our Parish Family

**St. Michael's Mass Intentions**

**September 14th - September 19th, 2021**

Tue	8:30 am - Int of Chantel Eade (Birthday)
Wed	8:30 am - Capuchin Intention
	<b>7:00 pm - Int of Victims/Survivors of Clergy Sexual Abuse</b>
Thurs	8:30 am - Int of the Strong & DeCock Families
Fri	8:30 am - Int of Spencer Burke (Birthday)
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**

**September 14th - September 19th, 2021**

Tue	6:30 pm - †Ruth Demaiter
Thurs	6:30 pm - Capuchin Intention
Sat	8:30 am - Capuchin Intention
Sat	7:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	8:30 am - For Our Parish Family

**OFFERTORY SEPTEMBER 5TH, 2021**

**St. Mary's:** Offertory \$3,206.75

**St. Michael's:** Offertory \$1,150.00

**St. Paul's:** Offertory \$550.00

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

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

**ST. MICHAEL'S CEMETERY SERVICE**

**\*\*CANCELLED\*\***

The cemetery board from the Diocese of London has said that there is to be no Cemetery Services again this year due to Covid. Therefore, St. Michael's Cemetery service has been cancelled.

**CONFIRMATION**

Good Shepherd Thamesville candidates will be confirmed on October 5th, 2021; St Michael Ridgetown candidates will be confirmed on October 6th, 2021, and St Anne's Blenheim candidates will be confirmed on October 7th, 2021. Times will be confirmed on September 11th and the 18th. Thank you for your patience and understanding for the sacramental life during these complicated times.

**ST. MICHAEL'S CWL**

There will be a CWL meeting this coming Monday, September 13th at 7 PM. The meeting will be held in our Parish Hall with all safety protocols in place according to our local health unit. According to our National CWL, you must be fully vaccinated to attend. Masks are to be worn. Physical distancing will be in place along with hand sanitizer at the door. There will be no snack; however we will have a discussion of our upcoming agenda for our council since the pandemic began. Your input is very much appreciated. If you do not feel comfortable attending the meeting and have some concerns about anything, please give me a call at 519-674-3534. I thank each of you for your ongoing support!! Sue Martens

**Stewardship - A Way of Life - Sharing God's Gifts**  
*After Christ asks, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter answers, "You are the Christ."*

*Let our profession of faith be the same. And then, as James implores us, let us demonstrate that commitment to our faith by our words and actions.*



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**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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