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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://southkentcatholicfamilyofparishes.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 26TH, 2021 26TH 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), 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, Gerald Mallette, Lena Mazan, and for all the deceased members of our families.

Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar: Rev. Paul Duplessie, OFM Cap; Deacon Matt Sutton; Rev. Christopher Pietraszko; Rev. Vince Gulikers; Rev. Richard Charrett; Deacon John White; Deacon Cap Van Au

****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.

A Christian can suffer?

Dear Parishioners,

This question came in my head. For three Sundays, the Lord spoke to us about His passion. The disciples had difficulties understanding why the son of God can suffer since God is all powerful. For some people, they cannot understand this too. Jesus is in perfect union with his Father and he trusts in God. "On the Cross, Jesus said Father into your hands, I commend my spirit."

Yes, in this world, the sufferings, the difficulties, the challenges, the illnesses, can come in our lives. We are not vaccinated against suffering, but we can carry our suffering, our cross with Jesus. We must trust in Jesus during our difficult moments in our life. The Lord is always ready to help us.

Fr. Christophe Mbunzu, OFM Cap.

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 J. Albro, OSB*

**The Friars will be away Sept 27 – 30,
for Capuchin Retreat.**

****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.**

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

Eldad and Medad missed Moses' retreat with the elders, yet God's Spirit came upon them.

God meets us right where we are.

Let us be open to the promptings of the

Spirit in our own lives and allow

God to come upon us.

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.

THANKSGIVING APPEAL

Our annual parish Thanksgiving Appeal collection will take place October 9th and 10th. This collection is in support of ongoing ministries in our Parish. You can use the special envelope in your box of offertory envelopes, or place in an envelope marked "Thanksgiving Appeal" with your name and address. Thank you for your generosity.

PROCLAIM THE WONDER OF GOD

The gift of the Spirit is given freely, not according to human expectations, but according to the generosity of God. Joshua wants Moses to stop Eldad and Medad from prophesying in the camp, when they were not with the others as the spirit was bestowed on them. Moses, so close to God's mind in the matter, wishes everyone could possess the spirit of God and proclaim it to the nations. Psalm 19 celebrates the perfection of God's law, and how it brings joy and delight. It is better than the finest gold or the sweetest honey. Moreover, God gives the wisdom of the prophets to everyone, especially the simple and lowly ones, even to children. It is the "little ones" who proclaim the wonder of God to all.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The precepts of the Lord are right, and give Joy to the heart!"

CWL- Congratulations to the St. Michael's Catholic Women's League council who is celebrating 100 years this Sat Sept 25th. The Council began on this date in 1921 with Mrs. P.H. Bowyer as our first president, and Mrs. Phylis McNorgan as the secretary. We look forward to continuing with the good works of the council throughout the next 100 years.

WEEKLY PRAYER

Jesus, Lord and Savior, you came to earth to walk among us, to teach us, and to commission us to do your work. May we follow you in the way of calling others forward to the work you have entrusted to us so that your work will continue when we are gone, we pray to the Lord.

St. Mary's Mass Intentions

September 28th - October 3rd, 2021

Tue	8:00 am - No Mass
Wed	8:00 am - No Mass
Thurs	8:00 am - No Mass
Fri	8:00 am - Capuchin Intention
Sat	5:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	10:30 am - For Our Parish Family

St. Michael's Mass Intentions

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Tue	8:30 am - No Mass
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Thurs	8:30 am - No Mass
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Sun	9:00 am - For Our Parish Family 11:00am - For Our Parish Family

St. Paul's Mass Intentions

September 28th - October 3rd, 2021

Tue	6:30 pm - No Mass
Thurs	6:30 pm - No Mass
Sat	8:30 am - †Bert Huys
Sat	7:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun	8:30 am - For Our Parish Family

OFFERTORY SEPTEMBER 19TH, 2021

St. Mary's: Offertory \$1,407.05

St. Michael's: Offertory \$2,115.00

St. Paul's: Offertory \$1,930.00

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

RIGHT TO LIFE - LIFE CHAIN

This year's Life Chain is taking place on Sunday, October 3, 2021 from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. There will be three locations in Chatham-Kent. Please meet up at 1:30 to receive your sign.

- In Tilbury, meet at the corner of Queen and Mill Street.
- In Wallaceburg, meet at Civic Square Park (also known as 'The Fountain Park').
- In Chatham, meet at the Pines parking lot. The Life Chain will be held on both sides of Grand Avenue West.

In keeping with Covid restrictions, numbers are limited to 50 on each side of Grand Avenue. Please call the office at 519-352-3611 to register.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

This year's baby bottle boomerang for Right to Life Kent only raised around just over \$7,000. In comparison to other years they have raised around \$40,000. Please consider making a donation.

ST. MICHAEL'S CWL - BABY SHOWER

St. Michael's CWL will be holding the annual baby shower in support of Right to Life Refuge from September 18th to October 31st. Desperately needed items are: girls onesies for 0-24 months, sleepers for 0-12 months and preemie clothes; and boys onesies for 3-12 months, sleepers for 9-12 months and preemie clothes. They currently don't have and are in desperate need of receiving blankets, baby wash, burp cloths, baby shampoo or "bum" cream. Donations can be left in the bassinette provided at the church entrance or drop off items at the rectory, or call Lorraine at 519-674-0242 for pick up. New and used items gratefully received. Monetary donation also gratefully received.

ROSES FOR LIFE

The Ridgeway and Thamesville Knights of Columbus will be selling/accepting donations for the Roses for Life lapel roses the weekend of Oct 2-3/21 at all Masses. Please support this event.



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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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