

# *St. Joseph and St. Charles Roman Catholic Parish*

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**Parish Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday 10 am – 2 pm.

(Masks and contact tracing required when visiting the office)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday from 4 – 4:30 pm or by appointment.

**Father Matthew Bedard, Parish Administrator**

**Deacon Chuck Stevens and Deacon Tony Hogervorst**

## **WEEKLY BULLETIN OPPORTUNITY**

If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin by email, please submit an email to [stjosephcorunna@dol.ca](mailto:stjosephcorunna@dol.ca)

## **\*\*The parish office is closed effective January 5<sup>th</sup> until further notice.**

As a safety measure against the spread of Covid 19, the parish office is **closed until the provincial restrictions are lifted.** For any inquiries, please contact Deb Brown via email [dbrown@dol.ca](mailto:dbrown@dol.ca) or 519-862-1213 ext 227

## **WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE – EFFECTIVE JANUARY 8TH**

Saturday Mass remains at 5 PM and **Sunday Mass has moved to 11 AM.** As we move forward toward a Family of Parishes, thank you for your understanding regarding the Sunday Mass time change.

## **Readings for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, January 16, 2022**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 62.1-5

Psalm 96 Declare the marvellous works of the Lord among the peoples.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 12.4-11

Gospel: John 2.1-12

## **WEEKDAY MASS TUESDAY, JANUARY 18 7 PM. \*\*6:30 Praying of the rosary**

† Patricia and David Muxlow offered by Charlie and Sue Muxlow

† Mary and Eddie Houston offered by Charlie and Sue Muxlow

† Tiny Knudsen offered by Janet Phibbs

## **CALENDAR OF SAINTS**

January 17 Saint Anthony

January 20 Saint Fabian and Saint Sebastian

January 21 Saint Agnes

January 22 Saint Vincent

## **2022 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

The 2022 offertory envelopes are available now in the church narthex and parish office.

**PLEASE NOTE: YOUR ENVELOPE NUMBER for 2022 HAS BEEN CHANGED.**

If you would like offertory envelopes, please contact the office at 519-862-1213 ext 221 or ext 227 or email [dbrown@dol.ca](mailto:dbrown@dol.ca)

You may also request envelopes by entering your information on the sheet in the church narthex. 2021 tax receipts will be prepared in the new year.



Our Advent and Christmas seasons have come to a close. As a parish we had the opportunities to gather at Mass in person, to watch Mass in our homes, even to attend Mass in our parking lot, listening to it on 102.1 FM.

We had the opportunities to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, pray the rosary, attend prayer services and Eucharistic Adoration.

**Many thanks are extended to all those who worked to make these happen smoothly:**

- ✓ to our administrator, Father Matthew Bedard, for not only being here, but for managing to acquire the visiting priests to celebrate the many masses scheduled in the four churches;
- ✓ to Deacon Chuck Stevens, also for not only being here every Mass, but for leading the extra prayers services and Eucharistic Adorations;
- ✓ to Gloria Grieve for continually offering her expertise with our parish website and Facebook page, in the streaming of our masses and power point aids;
- ✓ to her devoted teams, the Ordenes family and the Braet family, who manage the power point program during Mass;
- ✓ to all our devoted volunteers who offer to greet, usher and lector;
- ✓ to our behind the scene people, our collection counters, for looking after the extra masses;
- ✓ to the Liturgy Committee for again beautifully decorating the church during Advent and Christmas;
- ✓ to Charlie and Sue Muxlow for donating the two lovely Christmas evergreen arrangements that welcomed everyone into our church;
- ✓ to our custodian, Ric Brown, for maintaining the church and parish centre, especially with all the Covid protocols of cleaning and sanitizing;
- ✓ to the Property Committee for ensuring our buildings are safe and warm and our pathways are as safe as possible;
- ✓ to our Pastoral Worker, Deb Brown, for keeping all organized and to reaching out to our parishioners and being available to them at all times.

Thank you as well to our parishioners who continue to support our parish, both financially and spiritually and who continue to be positive and kind during these difficult times.

As you can see, we are fortunate to have so many people involved in the success of our parish. Thank you all for your dedication and service.



### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEAT PIES**

Individual tourtiere-style meat pies (combination of beef and pork) are available for purchase from the Knights of Columbus Council 9447.

Price: \$3.50 each OR 3 pies for \$10.00

Please call Boyd Fraser at 519-384-5879 to arrange for purchase and pick-up.

## **Development and Peace -Caritas Canada – Update**

In November the Campaign "People and Planet First" was presented in the parish. Forty one signatures were collected for the parliamentary petition. The petition was presented to Marilyn Gladu on Dec 20, 2021. She accepted the petition and acknowledged the parish for the good work happening. She committed to presenting the petition in the House and encouraging the government to take action. She did agree to record a short video supporting the campaign and the video was forwarded to Development and Peace for publication. I want to thank the Parish for its continuing support of Development and Peace and its work with our partners in the Global South.

Tim Charrette.

## **ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD**

### **Safe and Convenient Virtual kinderSTART 2022**

The St. Clair Catholic District School Board is preparing for a safe welcome and introduction to Kindergarten at our virtual kinderSTART 2022 event! It will be held on **Wednesday, January 19, 2022** beginning at **6:00 p.m.**



Register online for Kindergarten classes beginning in September 2022 and take a virtual tour of the school, all from the comfort and safety of your own home!

For more information and to register for the virtual events, please visit the Board website at [www.st-clair.net](http://www.st-clair.net)

### **DIOCESE OF LONDON** **OFFICE OF THE BISHOP**

#### **4 January 2022**

I am pleased to announce the following pastoral appointments and changes which will take effect **4 July 2022**.

#### **FAMILY OF PARISHES**

Rev. D. Matthew Bedard has been appointed Pastor of the new Family of Parishes comprising St. Joseph, Corunna, St. Christopher, Forest, Our Lady Help of Christians, Watford, St. Philip, Petrolia. Rev. Michael Dwyer has been appointed Associate Pastor of this Family.

I thank the members of the Priest Personnel Board and offer our prayers and support to our priests, parish teams and parish families who will be affected by these pastoral changes. May God continue to bless our ministry to the people of our Diocese.

Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB  
Bishop of London

A complete list of appointments and changes can be found at the Diocese of London website.



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10 December 2021

**To: The Faithful of the Diocese of London**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On Sunday, 10 October 2021, at the Vatican Basilica of St. Peter, Pope Francis proclaimed the "Opening of the Synodal Path". Originally scheduled for 2022, the Holy Father chose to postpone the Synod of Bishops for one year to allow time for a worldwide consultation. His intention is to invite Catholics around the world to participate on the local level in the preparations for the Synod which will now take place in 2023.

In the gospel reading that day, a rich man approached Jesus as he was setting out on a journey, to ask an important question about discipleship. The Holy Father pointed out in his homily that Jesus is frequently portrayed in the gospels as being on a journey. "He walks alongside people and listens to the questions and concerns lurking in their hearts. He shows that God is not found in neat and orderly places, distant from reality, but walks ever at our side."

The following Sunday, at a Mass in our own Basilica of St. Peter in London, I solemnly opened the synodal process for the Diocese. I pointed out in my homily that we are invited to engage in dialogue, pray with, and listen to one another as we consider the Synod's theme, Being a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission. What Pope Francis is saying in this process is that the Church cares about what you think. Pope Francis' hope is that the Synod will bring about a whole new way of being Church. The Church, he says, does not stand aloof from life, but immerses herself in the real lives of people and the issues of the day, bandaging the wounded and healing those with broken hearts.

In that homily, I also reiterated my vision for the Diocese, to be a missionary Church making disciples of Jesus. Entering the synodal process will help us here in our own Diocese to understand this vision in new ways. The Synod invites us to come together in our parishes, to reach out to Catholics not coming to church regularly, to reach out to our young people, to listen prayerfully to God's word and to listen to God speaking through one another. We are called to open our minds and hearts to the Holy Spirit who enables our Church to break out of our routine, to discern the times in which we live, in solidarity with the struggles and aspirations of all our sisters and brothers.

To carry out this work of synodal consultation, I am very pleased to announce the names of the team of people who will reach out to our parishes and institutions, to the Religious women and men in the Diocese, to those who infrequently come to church, and in a special way to our young people. This committee will be co-chaired by Ms Linda Staudt (Windsor, former Director of Education for the London District Catholic School Board) and Father Paul Baillargeon (Chancellor of the Diocese). The committee includes Dr. Carolyn Chau (King's University College), Dr. John Dool (St. Peter's Seminary), Mrs. Betty Hompoth (Pastoral Minister, Windsor-Lake St. Clair Catholic Family of Parishes), Deacon Len Hughes (St. Peter Cathedral Basilica), Mr. Mark Adkinson (parishioner, St. Michael Parish, London), and Mr. Julian Paparella (formerly of London and a special advisor to the Synod of Bishops in Rome). Support will be given by the diocesan staff through Mrs. Chrisandra Skipper (Pastoral Services Coordinator) and Mr. Matthew Clarke (Director of Communications).

*Diocese of London: Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus*

For the Diocese of London the Theme is *Together on the Road: Conversations for the Synod*

### **Synod Video**

An excellent explanatory video about the “Synod on Synodality” has been released. It has all you need to know from what does synodality mean to what can you do to help the process. You may find it helps both staff, parishioners and others understand this important undertaking by the Church. It's available at this [link](#) and it has also been added to our diocesan Synod page <https://dol.ca/synod-2021-2023>.

### **Synod Prayer**

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.

### **The Diocese of London: *Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus***

Please follow the Diocese of London on [Twitter](#), Instagram and [Facebook](#), subscribe to our [YouTube](#) channel and visit [www.dol.ca](http://www.dol.ca).

### **The Pope's Prayer Intention for the month of January**

*For true human fraternity:* We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

*To read reflections on the Pope's Prayer Intentions,* visit [www.livingwithchrist.ca](http://www.livingwithchrist.ca)

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