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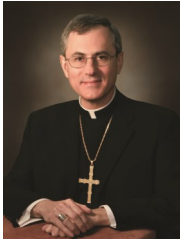
PARISH BULLETIN

Serving the communities of
St. Josephine Bakhita African & Caribbean
Catholic Community, St. Michael's Parish, and
St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

"Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus"

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 19, 2023



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Sharing our Gifts and Talents

"Today's parable speaks to us of God and how God treats us. We have all been given gifts and talents by God. The important thing is not what I have been given, but how I use what I have been given. God calls us, God loves and as we see in this gospel, God also trusts us.

Our talents are not just for ourselves; they are meant to be used to proclaim the gospel and build the Kingdom of God. Just think of the trust God has in each of us and the risk he takes with us. We are now living in a time when we are waiting for the Lord to return. This parable teaches each of us what to do during this time of waiting.

We can't simply sit, wait and do nothing. Our waiting is not to be idle or passive. We are to live our daily lives in such a way that we use all the many gifts and talents God has given each of us. In the gospel, the man not only gave his servants money, he also trusted them with a big responsibility.

Jesus has given each of us the same responsibility. Through our ordinary lives and through the use of our gifts, skills and talents, we are to show that we too are faithful servants. When the Lord does return, each of us will be held accountable for the use of our gifts and how we have lived our lives.

May we choose the path and a life of faithfulness and fruitfulness which leads to blessedness and a share in God's joy. May God say to each of us, well done, good and faithful servant."

*Excerpt from Gospel Reflection for the 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time, Michael Moore OMI
<https://oblates.ie/gospel-reflection-33rd-sunday-ordinary-time/>*



Do not turn your face away
from anyone who is poor

2023

“ Whenever we encounter a poor person, we cannot look away, for that would prevent us from encountering the face of the Lord Jesus. ”

Pope Francis

Hallowed Highlights

- Nov 21 Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Nov 22 Memorial of St. Cecilia
- Nov 24 Memorial of St. Andrew Dũng-Lac and Companions

All you holy men & women of God,
pray for us...

The Kids' Bulletin

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 19th, 2023



The first man here received five talents. The second received two and the third man one. When the master returned, how many did each man have? Colour them this way to find out:



Colour the coats with faces gold.
Colour the coats with letters silver.
Colour the coat with dots bronze.

Use your talents!

I can give this to Grandma who is sick.



The Kids' Bulletin can be found in the narthex or at ncc.dol.ca/kidsbulletin. For inquiries, connect with us through the parish office.



Christmas Cards For Sale

St. Michael's Knights of Columbus will once again be selling religious themed Christmas cards in the narthex on the weekends of **Nov. 19th** and **26th** (at all Sunday Masses). Supplies are limited so don't miss out. Please bring cash! Thank you in advance for your support. Contact Marty mfmcallister63@gmail.com for inquiries.

ALL UNDER ONE ROOF



St. Paul's Cathedral ACW
and
St. Peter's Cathedral CWL
Annual Christmas Bazaar

St. Peter's CWL Christmas Bazaar

Next Saturday!

Nov. 25 from 9am-2pm
St. Paul's Cathedral
(472 Richmond Street)

Reminder: St. Peter's CWL Bazaar donation drop offs are taking place this Sunday, **Nov. 19th** AFTER the 9:00 am Mass and before 1:00 pm and Wednesday **Nov. 22nd** from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm at St. Paul's Cathedral. This week we are looking for new items for the Penny Table. Thank you in advance and we hope to see you at the bazaar!

Christmas Treat Trays. Need a great Christmas hostess or staff appreciation gift? St. Peter's CWL Treat Trays are being offered, minimum 35 pieces for \$30. Place your order by contacting Marian Strom, phone: 519 872-5502 or by email: mstrom55@gmail.com. ORDER DEADLINE: **November 26th**.

PICK UP: **December 9th** from 9:30 am to 10:30 am. at St. Michael's, St. Jose Maria Room.

St. Michael's CWL Christmas Baking and Craft Sale: Saturday and Sunday, Nov 25-26 at All Masses

Baking, candy, toonie table, preserves, silent auction and more!

St. Michaels' CWL is looking for your support through donations and purchases of baking and crafts. Funds raised will be used to help the many organizations that have come to count on the Catholic Women's League for support.

Craft donations may be dropped off on the sale weekend; Saturday between 9 am and 12 pm. Donations of baked goods may be dropped off in the church hall before each Mass, on the sale weekend: Saturday 4 pm - 5 pm; Sunday 7:30 am - 12 pm. Shoppers, come early to Mass to take a look and remember to bring cash!

Christmas Social. A daytime celebration! All women of the parish are invited to the CWL Christmas Social and Birthright Shower, Saturday, **December 2nd**, at 1:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Come and enjoy holiday treats, carolling and a gift exchange (\$5.00 gift limit).

Members are also kindly asked to bring a baby gift for our Birthright Shower. Gift suggestions include unisex clothing for up to 6 months, baby bedding, diapers, bath supplies and Wal-Mart gift cards. Small items for the new mom are also welcome: travel-size shampoos, shower gel, etc. *Please note: There is no Monday evening meeting this December.*



St. Josephine Bakhita Community Mass

St. Josephine Bakhita Community monthly Mass is taking place next Sunday, **November 26th at 2:30 p.m.** at St. Michael's Parish. All are welcome! Please come and join us! Bring along your family and friends.

The Book of Remembrance



You will notice a *BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE* near the sanctuary where we are invited to inscribe the names of our deceased sisters and brothers. Please take time to write the names of a loved one in this book as we will remember them at each of the Masses we celebrate during the month of November. It is a beautiful way to remember and honour our loved ones.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. AMEN.*



SSVP Angel Tree 2023 at LNCC FP

Join us in spreading the joy of giving this Christmas season! The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP)'s Angel Tree is coming to our Family of Parishes and taking place at both locations. We invite you to be part of this wonderful tradition of sharing and caring.

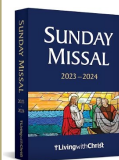
St. Michael's SSVP

Please find it in your hearts to make a monetary donation for an 'Angel Tree' child this Christmas. St. Vincent de Paul members will then purchase food and gift cards to distribute to families in need within our parish boundary. Cash or cheques may be placed in the envelope and dropped off in the SSVP baskets at both entrances of the church before and after each weekend Mass beginning this weekend, **Nov. 18/19**, or at the parish office weekdays, or donate electronically through Pllenty by **December 3**. Tax receipts will be issued for cheque and electronic donations.

Your generous donations are so very much appreciated to lift the spirits of our children in need during this Christmas season.

St. Peter's SSVP

Please see this week's bulletin [insert](#) for more information.



2023-2024 Sunday Missal Now Available!

The 2023-2024 Sunday Missal for the new liturgical year is now available. Cost is \$5.00 each. Get your copy today! Contact the parish office for inquiries.

Advent Reflection Books

Advent Reflection Booklets are available at all entrances of the church to guide you in your Advent Journey. Get your copy today!





First Reconciliation/Communion 2023–2024

Registrations for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion are ongoing. If your child is in Grade 2 or up and has been baptized (Roman Catholic), please sign up online by clicking [here](#) or visiting lccc.dol.ca/firstreconciliationandeucharist.

Last day of registrations is **November 30, 2023**.

For inquiries, please reach out to our Family & Youth Minister, Leigh Duckworth, at lduckworth@dol.ca.

We keep in our prayers the parents/guardians and the candidates preparing to receive the sacrament.



Prayer Line. Prayer Warriors provide spiritual support to those in need of intercessory prayer. Prayer requests are submitted on the link, and the coordinator receives and shares these needs once a week with the ministry volunteers. Each individual or family chooses the prayer and time that best suits them. It is suggested that Prayer Warriors remember the intention by name for about two weeks, yet there is flexibility and each one decides on their own.

Each week we will also send a prayer that may be used. Do you have a desire to pray for others? Contact the co-ordinator at praylccc@gmail.com. Blessings all around.

Hour of Grace–Feast of the Immaculate Conception

You are cordially invited to join us for the Hour of Grace, a special devotion dedicated to Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception on **Friday, Dec. 8th** from noon to 1pm at St. John the Divine Parish (390 Baseline Rd West). Format for the gathering: recitation of Psalm 51 thrice, rosary & silent reflection, will conclude with the singing of *Immaculate Mary*.

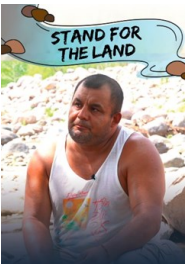


D&P–Create Hope: Stand for the Land Campaign

Development and Peace–Caritas Canada is responding to the call from our partner ERIC–Radio Progreso to raise awareness of the tragic plight of the communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector. We stand with them as they defend their right to water for survival and struggle to obtain:

- Justice
- Reparations and protection
- The cancellation of irregularly granted mining permits
- The restoration of their national park

"It is urgent to cancel all mining in this area of our park. All the damage caused to our rivers and mountains must be repaired." – Daniel Márquez, Guapinol defender and former political prisoner.



To get involved in the parish, contact parish representative for D&P Michael Loebach michaelfloebach@gmail.com / 519 671 6670 or SW Ontario Deanery representative Gord Smith gosmit@execulink.com / 519 672 2497.

Young Adult Advent Retreat

Are you eager to make this Advent season more spiritually enriching? Do you wish to strengthen your connection with the Lord but struggle to do so amidst the hustle and bustle of daily life or feelings of discouragement? Join us for an extraordinary Advent Retreat designed for young adults and families with a focus on "Joyful Anticipation."

Date: **Friday, Dec 1st at 7 pm to Sunday, Dec 3rd at 1 pm**

Location: Holy Family Retreat House in Oxley

Our retreat promises a fulfilling experience, featuring moments of deep reflection, inspiring speakers, opportunities for confession, enjoyable activities, delectable cuisine, Mass, and much more. This is your chance to set aside precious time for a deeper connection with Jesus.

Cost: \$225. Registration fee covers:

- Two nights of comfortable accommodations.
- All your meals during the retreat.
- Materials and resources to enhance your retreat experience.

This retreat is open to young adults aged 18-35. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in faith and find renewed joy in anticipation of the Advent season. To reserve your spot, please visit dol.ca/advent-retreat-for-young-adults. Join us for a weekend of spiritual growth and joyful anticipation!



ADVENT ON FORMED

Prepare for Christ's coming with two new Advent series on Formed.org. Learn more by clicking daily.formed.org/advent.



DYK? Did you know that our parish has FORMED subscription? Yes! Simply visit formed.org/signup and enter our Family's name, *London North Central*... Signing up is absolutely free! For any issues logging in, contact the parish office: basilica@dol.ca / 519-433-6689.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: November 12 , 2023

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$ 3,779.55	\$ 4,675.00
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$ 1,690.00	\$ 1,901.56
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 3,197.00	\$ 3,115.00
TOTAL	\$ 8,666.55	\$ 9,691.56

Thank you for your support and generosity!
To make a donation or update your donation method, please call the office or visit www.lccc.dol.ca/donate.

REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday, November 21

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM

Robert Moir
Christina Ugboma
Jacqui Hoffman

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Joe and Kay Dewan
Elizabeth Curran

Deceased Members of the Francesco & Theresina Sisca Family

Wednesday, November 22

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM

Joe & Lidia Favaro
Ilene Moir
Ruben de Jesus

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Nathan Lee
Ong Su Que and Visitacion Mallari
Intentions of Josephine Mallari

Thursday, November 23

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM

Grant & Margaret Sgariglia
Ilene Moir
Pedro Laxamana

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Jim McInnes
Intentions of Ivan Tom
Intentions of Carrie Roxburgh and Family

Friday, November 24

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM

Flora Campit
Ilene Moir
Michael Fisher

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Thomas Fisher
Veronica Abrook
Intentions of Sharon and Steve Hunt

We remember in prayer all those who are sick. We also pray for those who have died including Juana Gombio, mother of Eva Gombio; James Anderson, husband of Roselind; Nygel Salvaleon, son of Cecile & Gerard Salvaleon; and comfort those who mourn.

We pray for those serving in pastoral ministry throughout our diocese:

Rev. Dikran Islemeci; Rev. Mr. T.J. Vandermeer; Rev. Etienne Nadonye, O.F.M. Cap.; Deacon Don Hamelin; Deacon Andrew Labrosse; Rev. Hai Hang Hoang, C.S.J.B.; Deacon Michael Horoky

Offer a Mass for a loved one, or in thanksgiving. Contact the parish office or visit www.lncc.dol.ca/mass-prayer-requests.

READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 26, 2023 SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

First Reading - Ezekiel 34.11-12, 15-17
Responsorial - Ps 23.1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (R.1)
R. *The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.*
Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 15.20-26, 28
Gospel - Matthew 25.31-46

MASS & CONFESSION TIMES



Weekdays

St. Michael's: Tuesday–Friday 8 am
St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica: Tuesday–Friday 12 pm

Weekends

St. Michael's: Saturday 5 pm; Sunday 8 am, 10 am, 12 pm
St. Peter's Cathedral: Saturday 5 pm*; Sunday 9 am, 11 am
*Live-streamed Mass

St. Josephine Bakhita Community:
4th Sunday of the month, 2:30 pm (at St. Michael's)



Sacrament of Reconciliation at both Parishes

Saturdays 9:00 am to 10:00 am
Or contact one of our priests for an appointment.



Are you new in the community? Register at www.lncc.dol.ca/join-our-family or get a parish registration form from our volunteers.

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- Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) Plan
- Canada Helps canadahelps.org

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