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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18, 2022



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Remember the Poor

"No doubt we are all familiar with the phrase money is the root of all evil. However, this is not correct. In 1 Timothy 6.10, the phrase is actually the love of money is the root of all evil!

There is nothing wrong with money itself. It is how we use, misuse or abuse money that causes problems for ourselves and others. How we use and spend our money says a lot about who we are and how we treat others.

When Jesus speaks to us, a reminder about the poor and the needy are always included. Through the words of the prophet of Amos in the first reading this Sunday, we are reminded and challenged not to abuse or cheat in any way those who are poor. Jesus continues this message in the gospel. He tells the parable which sounds like he is encouraging dishonesty. A servant who looks after his master's property is accused of misusing it. He is sacked, but before he leaves he has to hand in his final account. He takes this time to rearrange his master's account with those own him money. He reduces their debts and loans and by the time he is finished, the merchants end up owing him for his cleverness. When it mattered most, this clever steward wastes no time in taking immediate and practical action to safeguard his own future.

Jesus is not praising this man for his dishonesty and shrewdness, but for his skill in coping with a crisis quickly. Again, this in no way is encouraging and promoting the misuse of money. If this (dishonest) man can use his master's money to ensure his own job, how much more will those who are honest use their money to promote and build the Kingdom. This is not saying that you can buy your way into the Kingdom. It is to recognise that if our money and wealth are used inappropriately or are not connected to the values of Jesus, the gospel and the Kingdom, then people suffer, usually the poor. Both Amos and Jesus speak about social justice and taking responsibility for our own actions. Our prayer life has to influence how we speak and behave. How we use money and treat each other says a lot about the quality of relationship with Jesus. If money talks, what do I hear my money saying to me?"



Cathedral Singers Welcomes new members!

Are you interested in our music ministry? Join the Cathedral Singers. Requirements: music reading skills, a

good ear for music, a firm commitment to rehearsals and Sunday Masses, and an openness to collaborative learning. Rehearsals: Thursdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 10:15 a.m. The choir sings at the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass (September to June) and at Diocesan events such as Mass of Chrism, Ordinations, etc.

> Ages 14 and up are welcome. Contact Gloria Gassi at 519-641-1384 or email stpetersmusicdirector@gmail.com

CWL-St. Peter's Cathedral **Thanksgiving Bake Sale**

Order Dates: starting Sept 10th up to Sept 23rd. Pick Up Date: Saturday October 8th in Parish Centre Room



105 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm Items Available: Pumpkin Loaf \$10 9" Pumpkin Pie \$10 9" Apple Pie \$10 8 X 8 Brownie Tray \$6 1/2 Dozen Butter Tarts \$8

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St. Peter's Knight Of Columbus Council

will be helping the London Food Bank with their Thanksgiving Food Drive. We will be handing out donation bags at the Metro Grocery Store at Cheapside & Adelaide

Streets from Monday, October 3 to Friday, October 7 from noon to 6:00 pm each day in one-hour shifts.

We are looking for volunteers 18 years of age & older to join us. You don't necessarily need to be a Knight to help. If you are interested in helping please contact James Vollmer at 519-690-0802 or <u>imjaccountingservices@hotmail.com</u>.

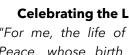


London Public Square Rosary Rally (PSRR)

Come pray the Rosary with us in honour of our Holy Mother's apparitions and requests at Fatima. This year marks the 14th anniversary of the Rally in London.

Venue: Victoria Park Bandshell London Time: Saturday, October 15 at 11:55 AM If you have to sit, please bring a chair!

For more Info: <u>ourladyofrock@gmail.com</u>



Celebrating the Life of Queen Elizabeth II

"For me, the life of Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, whose birth we celebrate today, is an inspiration and an anchor in my life. A role model of reconciliation and forgiveness, he stretched out his hands in love, acceptance and healing. Christ's

example has taught me to seek to respect and value all people of whatever faith or none." Queen Elizabeth II, Christmas Message, 2014.

Memorial Mass-Queen Elizabeth II Monday Sept. 19, 2022

Noon

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica Bishop Fabbro will preside. Mass will be live streamed via this <u>link</u>.



Prayer for Queen Elizabeth II

Almighty God,

You are the author and sustainer of all human life; grant that your servant, Elizabeth our Queen, whom you granted a long and happy reign as Monarch of these lands

may be forgiven her sins and rewarded with that eternal life promised to all those born again in the water of baptism and power of your Spirit.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, Who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit God, forever and ever, Amen.

Eternal rest, grant to her O Lord, And let Perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, Through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



Pilgrimage of Encounter

The Ursuline Sisters of Chatham and Brescia University College invite the Catholic Community of the Diocese of

London to join them for a unique "pilgrimage of encounter" to explore the life and contemporary impact of St. Angela Merici through her followers in the world today. Angela's Family on Pilgrimage: Challenged and Changed for Our Times is an opportunity for all who participate to virtually visit six stations where they will journey, grow, and encounter the charism of St. Angela Merici in the 21st century. The 2nd Station of the journey will take place at Bresicia University College on Sept. 23, live or virtual.

For more information please contact Catherinanne George at c.george@uwo.ca.

Registration is found at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ ursuline-convocation-registration-296119008927.

Holy Family Retreat House

Catholic Women's Retreat September 30 to October 2, 2022

This retreat experience on the Life of St. Therese of Lisieux will include keynote address and closing remarks from quest speaker Rachel Bulman (Author and Evangelist for Word on Fire). You will create your own chaplet for prayer meditation with provided supplies as well as learn about the incredible gifts of St. Therese through structured lessons and private reflection. There will be opportunities for daily prayer, rosary Mass and reconciliation. devotion. niahts accommodation and meals: \$370/person.

For more information and to register please contact Celeste Campeau celestecampeau@gmail.com or Sue Hofgartner shofaartner@dol.ca

Winter 2022 Catholic Men's Retreat November 25-27, 2022

This retreat will be based on deepening our walk with Jesus Christ. We will have a "get to know each other" Friday night. Saturday includes sessions based on personal and learned experience, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Mass, as well as times of quiet reflection and times of comradery. This year's facilitator is Father Robert Champagne. For further information or to register please contact the retreat house, hrfrh@dol.ca, 519-738-6136.

Private Retreat Days

Are you ready to unplug from the world for a few days and take some time to relax, read, journal and not be on call? Do you need a getaway to catch up on some sleep and not have to worry about going anywhere or having to return a phone call? Our retreat center is open for private or small group retreat. Come for one night or stay for a few, meals included. Contact the retreat house for further information.



Season of Creation

The Season of Creation began on September 1, World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, The Burning Bush and ends on October 4, the feast of St. Francis of

Assisi, the patron saint of ecology. During this time, Christians worldwide unite through Christ in prayer and action to protect our common home. This is our opportunity to care for creation and all beings who share it. The Diocese of London has prepared a guide to the Season of Creation found here with advocacy ideas, liturgical resources and other information. As well, the Institute for Catholic Education and their partners have prepared a helpful resource document at this link.



Job Posting

The Diocese of London is seeking a Chief Financial Officer and the details are posted at this link: https://dol.ca/cfo



First Reconciliation & First Communion 2022 - 2023

Parents need to attend one session to help your child prepare for First Reconciliation. These sessions will be held in person at St. Michael's Church. You may choose one of the following

dates to attend.

November 8 @ 7:00 p.m. | November 12 @ 11:00 a.m. November 10 @ 7:00 p.m. | November 16 @ 7:00 p.m.

First Reconciliation will take place January 10, 11, 12 at St. Michael's Church @ 6:30 p.m. and Saturday January 14 @ 11:00 at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica.

Parents, please check our new London North Central Catholic Family of Parishes website www.lncc.dol.ca for updated information. Registration forms are available online. Please return the completed form to Debbie Walsh, Pastoral Minister, St. Michael's- dwalsh@dol.ca. All children who are celebrating First Eucharist will be prepared for First Reconciliation.

Preparation dates for First Communion will take place in January 2023.

The London North Central Catholic Family of Parishes looks forward to walking in faith with you and your family as your child prepares to encounter Christ in sacrament.

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Each year, September 30 marks the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. The day honours the children who never returned home and Survivors of residential schools, as well as their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process.

Both the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation and Orange Shirt Day take place on September 30.

Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous-led grassroots commemorative day intended to raise awareness of the individual, family and community inter-generational impacts of residential schools, and to promote the concept of "Every Child Matters". The orange shirt is a symbol of the stripping away of culture, freedom and self-esteem experienced by Indigenous children over generations.

On September 30, we encourage all Canadians to wear orange to honour the thousands of Survivors of residential schools.

Life Chain is a public witness to the sanctity of life, which takes place annually across North America, typically on the first Sunday of October. Participants peacefully gather for an hour at a local intersection. They pray silently for an end to abortion and for those harmed by this injustice.

This year Life Chain will be held on Sunday Oct. 2 from 2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Please join members of the community on the northwest corner of Fanshawe and Richmond St.

REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday, September 20

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM

Margaret Bossy requested by Diane Bombardier Frank Percic requested by Raymond Percic David Thomson requested by Veronica Solis

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Noreen Woods Tina Meulyndyks-Shiell Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, September 21

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM

Patrick Smith requested by Ria deVios Maria Aveiro requested by Ria deVios Maria Novacich requested by Fr. Daniel Bombardier

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Nick Castrilli Adela Matias Frank, Mary & Steve Dittrich

Thursday, September 22

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM

Vera Stoper requested by Raymond Percic Mary Rykhoff requested by Carmen & Corrie Gicante Intentions of Greq & Anissa Harris requested by Bunny & Paul Harris

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Rick Baker

Deceased Members of the Black & McNorgan Families Souls in Purgatory

Friday, September 23

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM

Julius Van Den Bossche requested by Mary Cole Margaret Sgariglia requested by Grant Sgariglia Maria Novacich requested by Fr. Daniel Bombardier

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Ruth Cowan Vince Manganaro Souls in Purgatory

We remember in prayer all those who are sick. We also pray for those who have died including Eric Hey; Lidia Favaro; and Francisco Furtado; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Deacon Henry Kling; Rev. Waclaw Chudy, C.S.M.A.; Rev. Anthony Bae; Rev. Msgr. Kevin Beach; Rev. Olivet Okoro; Rev. Daniel Morand; Deacon Brian Hanley

READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 25, 2022 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading - Amos 6.1, 4-7 Responsorial - Ps 146.6-7, 8-9a, 9b-10 R. Praise the Lord, O my soul! Second Reading - 1 Timothy 6.11-16 Gospel - Luke 16.19-31

MASS TIMES

Weekdays

St. Michael's Parish:

Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica:

Tuesday-Friday: Noon

Weekends

St. Michael's Parish:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.;

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.;

Sunday: 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

St. Josephine Bakhita:

4th Sunday of the month, 2:30 p.m. (St. Michael's)



Livestreamed Mass: Saturdays at 5:00 p.m., St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica



Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Michael's: Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

St. Peter's Cathedral: Saturdays 9:00 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

Or contact one of our priests for an appointment.

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