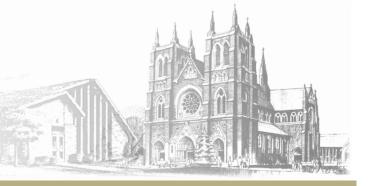
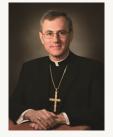


PARISH BULLETIN

"Being a mission-oriented church that forms disciples of Jesus."





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MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

Tuesday through Friday: 12:00pm

Saturday: 5:00pm (livestreamed) | Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

St. Michael's Parish

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00pm | Wednesday & Friday: 9:30am Saturday: 5:00pm | Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

St. Josephine Bakhita Community (at St. Michael's):

4th Sunday of the month: 2:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation at Both Parishes

Saturday: 9:00am to 10:00am

WELCOME!

St. Michael's Parish

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Wherever you are in your faith journey, it is great to have you!

PARISH OFFICE

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PARKING

St. Michael's Parish 🖔

Weekend and weekday parking is available on the street and behind the parish. Weekday parking behind the parish is restricted to along the fence, as parking against the school is teacher and parent parking only.

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica 💆

Weekend parking is available on the street and in the parking lots next to the Cathedral. Parking north of the former school is restricted to Sunday mornings. Weekday parking is available on the street and in the small, ungated lot next to the Cathedral.

Mass for Life: Wednesday, May 14th at 7:00pm St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

Honouring life from conception to natural death. Presider: Bishop Fabbro, C.S.B. All are welcome.



World Day of Prayer for Vocations - Sunday, May 11th Pilgrims of Hope: The Gift of Life

"A vocation is a precious gift that God sows in our heart, a call to leave ourselves behind and embark on a journey of love and service. Every vocation in the Church, whether lay, ordained or consecrated, is a sign of the hope that God has for this world and for each of his children.

Every vocation, once perceived in the depths of the heart, gives rise to an impulse to love and service, as an expression of hope and charity, rather than a means of self-promotion. Vocation and hope go together in God's plan for the happiness of each man and woman, all of whom are called by name to give their lives for others (cf. Evangelii Gaudium, 268). Many young people seek to know the path God is calling them to take. Some find, often to their surprise, that they are called to the priesthood or to the consecrated life. Others discover the beauty of the call to marriage and family life, to the pursuit of the common good and to a life of witness to the faith among their friends and acquaintances.

Every vocation is inspired by hope, marked by confident trust in God's providence. For Christians, hope is more than mere human optimism: it is a certainty based on our faith in God, who is at work in each of our lives. Vocations mature through the daily effort to be faithful to the Gospel, and through prayer, discernment and service. The discovery of our vocation comes about as the result of a journey of discernment. That journey is never solitary, but develops within a Christian community and as a part of that community.

Dear friends, the world pushes you to make hasty decisions and bombards you with a constant blare that prevents you from experiencing a silence that is open to God who speaks to the heart. Have the courage to pause, to listen to what your heart tells you, and to ask God about his dreams for you. The silence of prayer is indispensable if we are to learn how to hear God's call amid the specific circumstances of our lives and to respond consciously and freely.

Prayerful recollection helps us to realize that all of us can be pilgrims of hope if we make our lives a gift, above all by placing ourselves at the service of those who live on the world's material and existential peripheries. Those who heed God's call cannot turn a deaf ear to the cry of so many of our brothers and sisters who feel excluded, wounded and abandoned. Every vocation confirms us in our mission of being Christ's presence wherever light and consolation are most needed.

The Church needs pastors, religious, missionaries and spouses capable of saying "yes" to the Lord with trust and hope. A vocation is never a treasure stored away in the heart; rather, it grows and is strengthened within a community that believes, loves and hopes. No one can respond to God's call alone, for all of us need the prayers and support of our brothers and sisters."

Excerpts from the Message of his Holiness Pope Francis on the 62nd World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Rome, Policlinico A. Gemelli, 19 March 2025.

Access to St. Peter's Cathedral during Victoria Park Events

The downtown festivals and events in Victoria Park will start soon! While these events provide a wonderful opportunity for the community to engage in fun and entertainment in the park, they can also present a challenging traffic situation in the Cathedral neighbourhood. During weekends when there are events in the park, additional Cathedral security will be in place to help parishioners with access to our parking lots. Please ensure you allow yourself extra time to navigate additional traffic downtown.

Prayer for National Family & Life Week: May 11th - 18th

Heavenly Father,
we place our trust in you.
You have given us the precious gift of life
and entrusted us to care for, nurture, and sustain it.

Help our families to be sanctuaries of joy and light, where both young and old are cherished and embraced, and where your gifts of faith, hope, and love may flourish.

May your tender loving care inspire all families to abound in hope so that we may live out our call to holiness as missionary disciples in the service of life and peace.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

Activities for Parents and Families to celebrate National Family and Life Week can be found <u>here</u>.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The next time for a Prayer Shawl gathering is **Thursday, May 15th** at St Michael's Parish in the St. Josemaria room at 7:00pm until 8:30pm. All knitters and crocheters please come to join us! Questions? Please call Janice Vollmer at 519-690-0802.



Step on a Path to Solidarity - May

TRUTH & RECONCILIATION May's Step on a Path to Solidarity - **Epilogue** is posted at this link and it is the final step on our path to solidarity.

The Truth and Reconciliation Committee thanks you for joining us in learning, discerning, and acting as we walk along a path of truth, healing and reconciliation with the Indigenous People of this land. *Click here* to learn more.

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Catholic Women's League Updates St. Michael's CWL

Spring Friendship Luncheon: Friday, May 16th

On **Friday, May 16th** the CWL is hosting our Spring Friendship Luncheon from 12:00pm - 2:00pm in the Parish Hall. Bring your grandmother, mother, neighbour or daughter out for tea and fellowship. Please sign the guest list in the narthex <u>before Monday, May 12th</u>.

St. Peter's CWL High Tea Fashion Show: Save the Date!

Join the St. Peter's CWL for a High Tea Fashion Show on **Saturday, June 7th**, 1:00pm to 4:00pm, at St. Paul's Cathedral! Discover and enjoy the featured Canadian fashions from local and surrounding area clothing stores and be entered to win a door prize! The winner will take home a gift certificate to an upcoming production at the Grand Theatre.

Tickets are \$50 per person or \$300 for a table of 8. Proceeds support the ongoing initiatives of the CWL in their charitable works. Please RSVP by Thursday, May 29th by calling Marian Strom at 519-872-5502. Click here to view the official poster.

St. Michael's Knights of Columbus

The St. Michael's Knights of Columbus will be holding their Annual Yard Sale on **Saturday, May 24th** from 8:00am until 12:00pm noon in the St. Michael's Parish Hall. Donations of your gently used items will be graciously accepted at the back door of the hall from 10:00am until 12:00pm, and again from 3:00pm until 7:00pm on Thursday, May 22nd and Friday, May 23rd.

If you have any questions or need to arrange a pick up, please call Marty at 519-870-1859. God Bless and thank you for your continued support!

St. Michael's St. Vincent de Paul Society 2024 Activity Report

Your donations allow our volunteers to serve those in need within our parish boundary. In 2024 there were 515 adults and 457 children who received assistance. The Christmas Angel Tree added an additional 230 children and 100 families.

To read more about the 2024 activities of our Parish, <u>click here</u>. Copies can be found in the Narthex and on the bulletin boards at the parish.

Thank you to our generous parishioners for your donations!

Save the Dates: Summer Family Nights

We have organized four evenings filled with activities that everyone in the family can enjoy!

Mark the dates in your calendar:

Wednesday, July 9th | Friday, July 25th Wednesday, August 13th | Friday, August 22nd

More information about our July Summer Family Nights will be shared in the upcoming weeks!

The Summer Family Nights will replace this year's Vacation Bible School. These nights will offer fun for the whole family!

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This Week on Formed

Choosing a Pope: What REALLY Happens During a Papal Conclave | What Catholics Believe

Join Dr. Scott Hefelfinger in What Catholics Believe as he answers the most asked questions about how Catholics choose a new pope. What is a papal conclave? How does the



voting process work? Can someone who isn't a cardinal become pope? Why are cardinals locked in the Sistine Chapel? Learn the fascinating traditions, rules, and the role of the Holy Spirit in the election of a pope.

Click here to watch the 11-minute video.

Mother's Day | Sunday, May 11th

Dr. Elizabeth Klein and Dr. Tim Gray talk about the beautiful vocation of motherhood on Mother's Day.



Click here to watch the 31-minute video.

Our Lady of Fatima | Brother Francis and Friends

In this next installment of "Mary's Visits," Brother Francis and Sister Imelda tell the story of the three shepherd children from Fatima who saw visions of Mary, later to be known



as Our Lady of Fatima. Learn about the courage and faith these children exhibited and how they were rewarded with an amazing miracle!

Click here to watch the 9-minute video.

An Invitation to Share Your Gifts: A Call to Proclaim the Word - St. Peter's Cathedral

Have you been discerning a call to share your gifts with our parish by serving as a Lector? We would love to hear from you! Our Lectors Ministry calls upon its members to grow in knowledge of Scripture, and to serve our brothers and sisters by proclaiming the Word, and participating in the Liturgy at weekend and weekday Masses throughout the year. Lectors are also called upon to participate in special liturgies, such as Easter, or at Diocesan events.

If you are interested in joining our Lector's Ministry at St. Peter's Cathedral, or would like more information, contact Jaye Bowers by phone at 226-663-1338 or by email at jayebowers@rogers.com. All new Lectors will receive formal training.

REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday, May 13

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Steve Morgan Tom Leckie Gisele Hamilton

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Frank Duff Edel Quinn Alfie Lambe

Wednesday, May 14

St. Michael's at 9:30 AM
Obiora Paschal Ojukwu
Ruben de Jesus
Intentions of Claire Vickery

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon Intentions Paul Carson & Dawn Munday Theresa Bombardier

Margaret & Jack Downes

Thursday, May 15

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM Florence King V. J. Mathew

Annamma Joseph
St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

James Mullaney Helen McCaffrey Intentions of Christabel Thevar

Friday, May 16

St. Michael's at 9:30 AM
Saramaa Gomez
Family of Suffering Souls
Ong Su Que & Visitacion Mallari

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Fr. Stephen Bodnar Fouad Mikhail Moujalli Tony Romeo

We remember in prayer all those who are sick. We also pray for those who have died, including: Alice Augustine;
Joyce Rocheleau, mother of Fr. Rob Rocheleau;
Oliverio Ignacio; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Rev. William Thompson, O.M.I.; Rev. Richard Janisse; Dcn. Richard Walter; Dcn. Jerome (Jerry) Lozon; Ms. Laura Soulliere, Pastoral Minister; Rev. Raymond Lawhead; Mrs. Sue Hoftgartner, Pastoral Minister.

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 MAY 18, 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading - Acts 14.21b-27 Responsorial - Ps. 145.8-9, 10-11, 12-13 (R.1) R. I will bless your name for ever, my king and my God. Second Reading - Revelation 21.1-5a Gospel - John 13.1, 31-33a, 34-35++

PARISH EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, May 12

9:30 AM - Seniors on the Move (Hall)

1:00 PM - CWL SMUGlees Meeting (JPII)

5:30 PM - Hospitality North (Hall)

7:00 PM - St. Michael's CWL General Meeting (JPII)

6:30 PM - St. Peter's St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting (JPII)

Tuesday, May 13

7:00 PM - Social Justice Meeting (St. Anthony)

Wednesday, May 14

9:30 AM - Seniors on the Move (Hall)

6:30 PM - Legion of Mary (St. Andre Bessette)

7:00 PM - Mass for Life (St. Peter's Cathedral)

Thursday, May 15

1:00 PM - Young at Heart Cards - Bridge (St. Josemaria)

6:30 PM - St. Peter's Prayer Shawl (St. Josemaria)

7:00 PM - Jubilee Faith Sharing Session (Hall)

Friday, May 16

12:00 PM - St. Michael's CWL Spring Friendship Lunch (Hall)

Saturday, May 17

Sunday, May 18

PARIS Support

SUNDAY COLLECTION: May 4, 2025

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$4,574.00	\$5,865.00
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$2,017.90	\$1,442.60
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TOTAL	\$10,205.06	\$10,457.60

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