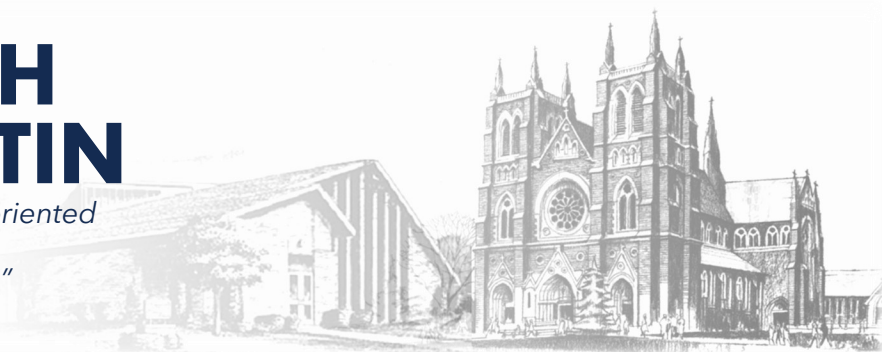




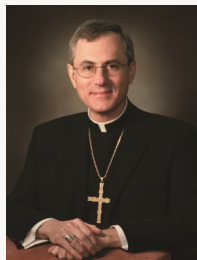
PARISH BULLETIN

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



Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 23, 2025



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MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St. Michael's

Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 PM
Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM

St. Josephine Bakhita Community

4th Sunday of the Month 2:30 PM

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

Wednesday & Friday 12:00 PM
Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

Confessions at Both Parishes

Saturday 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

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Please direct all mail for our three parishes
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Eat this Bread, Drink this Cup– A Return to the Cup Next Weekend

"Baptism and Eucharist – birth and food – are closely related. Once we are born into the Christian life, we need to be nourished regularly so that we may live and work as God's beloved family. Each time we take part in the Eucharist and receive Communion, we are given a deeper share in the life and love of Jesus, our brother and our Lord. We are nourished with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. We share in Jesus' promise of everlasting life, and we have a first taste of the glorious banquet that Jesus will give us when we join with him at his table in heaven. Communion from the cup helps us to have a fuller experience of the joyful banquet to which Jesus is inviting all his brothers and sisters." (CCCB, Communion by the Cup, 2019).

The Church has always taught that Christ is fully present in the Eucharist in the form of the consecrated bread (host) OR consecrated wine. Communion by the Cup was a common practice in both parishes prior to the pandemic. Beginning last week and in to this week, all of our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be doing some ministry formation and re-training to prepare to reintroduce the cup at all weekend Masses beginning **November 29/30**. Thank you to those who have served in this ministry and to all those new individuals who have come forward to serve their brothers and sisters.

For those who choose to receive from the Cup, the proper reception is as follows:

"After responding with Amen, we take the eucharistic bread as usual in the hand or on the tongue, and eat it with reverence. Then we approach the minister with the cup. This minister gives us the cup, saying 'The blood of Christ.' We answer Amen, and take it with both hands, one on the base, the other on the stem or bottom of the cup. We lift it gently to our lips, drink a small amount, and return the cup to the minister, who wipes the cup carefully and thoroughly." (CCCB) Our custom of a sign of reverence through a bow is done before receiving both the consecrated bread and consecrated wine.



Last Call! 2026 First Reconciliation & First Communion Registration

Registration for 2026 First Reconciliation and First Communion is still open, but not for long!

Registration closes Friday, **November 28th**

Registration form and requirements are found online: www.lncc.dol.ca/firstrecandcomm

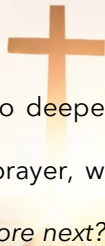
If your child is in **Grade 2 or above**, don't wait—register today to ensure they can prepare for these incredible sacraments in 2026!

Disciples in Action: Growing in Faith

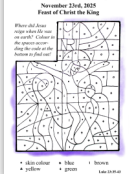
Growing in faith isn't just for priests or ministry leaders—it's for all of us. Whether you're new to the parish or deeply involved, we're each called to deepen our spiritual life.

Through workshops, scripture study, and shared prayer, we build up the Kingdom of God together.

What helps you grow in faith? What might you explore next?



The Kids' Bulletin



Christ is the King! Jesus, you are my King and my God and I love you. Help me to be your good servant!

The Kids' Bulletin is available in the narthex or at lncc.dol.ca/kidsbulletin.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Michael's SSVP Angel Tree Campaign

On December 6, 2025, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is holding its annual 'Angel Tree' campaign to lift the spirits of our children in need during the Christmas season. Please find it in your hearts to make a monetary donation for an 'Angel Tree' child. St. Vincent de Paul members will then purchase food and gift cards to distribute to families in need within our parish boundary.

Cash or cheque may be placed in the envelope and dropped off in the SSVP baskets located at both entrances of the Church before and after each Mass **this weekend**, or at the parish office weekdays, or you can donate electronically through [Pllenty](https://Pllenty.com) (please reference SSVP Angel Tree) by **this Sunday, November 23**. Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$20.00 or more. Your generous donations are so very much appreciated.

St. Peter's SSVP Christmas Angel Tree Program

The St. Peter's Christmas Angel Program has now begun. Please become a Christmas Angel to a family in need this Christmas! We will be collecting \$10.00 gift cards and cash/cheque donations **this weekend and next** following each Mass at the doors of the church.

On December 13th, volunteers will visit 200 families living within our parish boundaries delivering food and gift cards for Christmas. Our Angel Program is critical in helping address food, clothing and household needs within our community.

You can also donate through Pllenty by choosing "St. Vincent de Paul" in the drop down menu to direct your donation to our cause. Click [here](https://Pllenty.com) to donate online. Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$20.00 or more. (See the flyer [here](https://Pllenty.com).)



Thank you for helping to Turn Debt into Hope!

Thanks to your support, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada has collected 41,576 signatures on the global [Turn Debt into Hope](https://TurnDebtIntoHope.org) petition.



Many impoverished countries in the Global South are struggling with conflict, humanitarian crises and climate change. Cancelling their unjust debts would free up scarce revenues, allowing them to better meet the needs of their citizens. Citizens like little Melati and her mother, Ade, in Ethiopia, who only aspire to live in dignity.

Each signature amplifies the message of debt justice to creditors and political leaders. So, please [sign the petition](https://TurnDebtIntoHope.org) today and have your friends and family do it, too!



Laudato Si': Chapter Four—Integral Ecology

This month we explore *Laudato Si'* Chapter 4: Integral Ecology. After exploring the roots of the ecological crisis, Pope Francis turns attention to promoting a way forward as we address the crisis. He notes that since everything is interconnected, we must consider a way forward through multiple interconnected lenses. To read more, click [here](https://dol.ca/laudato-si) (printed copy available on the bulletin board in the narthex). All previous chapter summaries and more information about *Laudato Si'* are at: dol.ca/laudato-si.

A **Book of Remembrance** is placed near the sanctuary. You're invited to inscribe the names of deceased loved ones. They will be remembered at every Mass this November. *This is the final week the book will be available.*

ADVENT MISSION– St. Joseph: A Pilgrim of Hope

As we conclude the Jubilee Year, step into Advent with peace and renewed faith. Join Fr. Patrick Bénéteau as he leads our Family of Parishes in reflecting on how the humble witness of St. Joseph can teach us to be pilgrims of hope.



**Sunday, November 30 & Monday, December 1
7:00 PM at St. Michael's Parish**

Click [here](#) to view the event poster (also available on the bulletin board in the narthex).



Advent Concert: Emmanuel, God with us– Next Sunday!

St. Peter's Cathedral Adult and Children Choirs presents *EMMANUEL, God with us*. One hour of Reflection with Scripture and Song following the tradition of Advent Lessons and Carols. **November 30, 2025** at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica, 2:30 PM. All welcome! See the event poster [here](#) (also available on the bulletin boards).

Advent Reflection Books & Sunday Missals

Advent reflection booklets are available at all entrances of the church to guide you in your Advent journey. Get your copy while supplies last! The reflection booklets are FREE.



The 2025-2026 Sunday Missal for the new liturgical year is available. Cost is \$5 each. Limited copies remain, get yours now!

Flowers for Christmas



We are accepting monetary donations to offset the cost of our Christmas flowers. You may donate in honour of a deceased or living loved one. Their names will appear in the parish bulletin and be remembered in prayer throughout the Christmas Season.

Please submit your donation with your name, phone/email & address, and the name of the person you're honouring (indicate living or deceased). Drop it in the Sunday collection, mail it in, or e-transfer to stmichlon@dol.ca or basilica@dol.ca, please type in the memo box: "Flowers for Christmas in honour/memory of, parish name..." Email the office the same information as above. Thank you for your generosity.

2026 Offertory Envelopes

St. Michael's and St. Peter's offertory envelopes are now available for pick-up in the narthex for parishioners who donate by weekly envelopes. Envelopes are in alphabetical order by last name.



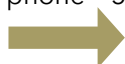
Newly Registered Parishioners



A warm welcome! If you have recently registered and received an email from us, please pick up your Welcome Envelopes in the narthex before/after Mass. They are in the brown basket labelled "Newly Registered Parishioners." If you requested offertory envelopes, they're included in your welcome package. For inquiries, please contact the parish office.

'Tis the Season! Help Us Reach You!

Let's stay connected this Christmas Season! If your contact details have changed recently, please contact the parish office via email basilica@dol.ca / stmichlon@dol.ca, phone 519-433-6689, or scan the QR code:



St. Michael's KofC Christmas Card Sale

Share the joy of Christmas and give back at the same time! Christmas cards will be sold after all Sunday Masses **this weekend**, with proceeds benefiting the charitable projects of St. Michael's KofC. Cash purchase only!



Catholic Women's League

St. Peter's CWL Christmas Bazaar–Next Saturday!

November 29; 9:00 AM–1:00 PM

St. Paul's Cathedral (472 Richmond Street)

We're down to less than 7 sleeps before our *All Under One Roof Bazaar* at St. Paul's Cathedral. Doors open at 9:00 AM. Come, see fabulous items found on the Silent Auction, Religious, Ladies' tables, just to name a few. Drop in to the Tea Room for a muffin and coffee/tea or hot apple cider. The **final weekend for Donations Drop off** at St. Paul's (entrance off Clarence Street) is on **November 23rd** between 10 AM and 12:30 PM. Please, NO donations of clothing, shoes, purses, books, DVD/CDs or toys. Donation pickup available – contact Julie Sans at 519-641-1753, and leave a message. Click [here](#) for the event poster.

Treat Trays. Back by popular demand! We are delighted to offer our 'famous' Treat Trays for \$30.00 each.

Order: November 23 until December 3

Pick up: Friday, December 12; 4–6 PM, and
Saturday, December 13; 9:30–10:30 AM
St. Michael's Parish Hall

To place your order please contact Marian Strom @ 519-872-5502 or mstrom55@gmail.com. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or e-transfer to stpeterslondoncwl@gmail.com.

General Meeting & Christmas Social. Saturday, **December 6** at 10 AM in the Parish Hall at St. Michael's. Lunch provided, RSVP to Marian Strom at 519-872-5502 by December 3. This month, we will collect donations for *My Sisters Place*. There is a need for shaving razors and deodorant. Your support brings light and hope to those who need it most this season. Gift cards let individuals choose what they need most. Thank you.

St. Michael's CWL Membership Drive & Apple Pie Sale

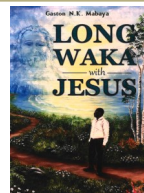
It's that time of year again! This year, St. Michael's CWL will be holding its 2026 membership drive along with the apple pie sale after all Masses **next weekend, November 29/30**. Membership is \$40. pay by cash/cheque at the membership drive, by e-transfer (CWLstmichlon@gmail.com), or by dropping an envelope marked *CWL Membership* with your name, phone number, and dues into the collection basket. Renew and invite others—our Council is stronger together.

General Meeting. A daytime celebration! All women of the parish are invited to the CWL general meeting and Christmas Social, Saturday, **December 6** at 2 PM. Come and enjoy holiday treats, caroling and a gift exchange (\$10 gift limit). Members are requested to bring a baby gift for London Pregnancy and Family Services. Suggestions include baby wipes, prenatal vitamins, diapers (Newborn, Size 4, 5 & 6), formula (Similac, Enfamil or Good Start), baby wash and gift cards for Wal-Mart, No Frills, Food Basics, PC or Dollarama. *Note: There is no Monday evening meeting this December.*

Long Waka with Jesus by Dcn Gaston Mabaya

Dcn Gaston, formerly of our Family of Parishes, has published a new, faith-filled spiritual read.

Pre-order online: amazon.ca/dp/B0FX5YHJL2 or fill out the order form found [here](#). Poster available [here](#) and on the bulletin board in the narthex.



REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday, November 25

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Flora Campit
Ted Johnston
Marilyn Wylie
Jim & Margaret Ryan
In Thanksgiving of George Mathew & Family

Wednesday, November 26

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Antonietta & Ernesto Castrilli
JoAnne Briglia
Romeo, Lucillo, Robert, & Denis Haspeck
Elena Planka
Intentions of Nathan Marchand

Thursday, November 27

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Carmen Gicante
Marie Marrinan
Rev. Fr. Mervyn Coulas
Ed Smith
Harold Buddle

Friday, November 28

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Leda Stefanko
Arlene Lindsay
Geoffrey Foster
Living & Deceased Members of St. Peter's CWL
Intentions of Stefanie

We remember in prayer all those who are sick including Leo Dodds, Mary Quigley, and Bert Killian. We also pray for those who have died including Dr. Joe Morrissy, husband of Val Morrissy; and Hugh McIntosh, husband of Anne.

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

Rev. Michael Traher, S.F.M.; Deacon Michael Horoky; Ministers to Refugees in the Diocese of London; Catherine Darlow, Coordinator of Outreach Ministries; Deacon Paul Bezaire; Erwin Fung, Coordinator of Parish Ministries

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 30, 2025 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Reading - Isaiah 2.1-5
Responsorial - Ps 122.1-2, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (R. see 1)
R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
Second Reading - Romans 13.11-14
Gospel - Matthew 24.37-44
Keep awake, you must be ready.

PARISH EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, November 24

5:30 PM—Hospitality North (Parish Hall/Kitchen)
7:00 PM—StM CWL Ukelele (JP II)

Tuesday, November 25

5:30 PM—EMHC Training (St M Church)
7:00 PM—StP KofC Executive Meeting (JP II)
7:00 PM—Sacramental Preparation (Parish Hall)
7:00 PM—Choir Practice for 5 PM & 8 AM Masses (St. Cecilia)

Wednesday, November 26

12:30 PM—EMHC Training (Cathedral)
6:30 PM—Legion of Mary (St. Andre Bessette)
7:00 PM—PPC Meeting (JP II)

Thursday, November 27

1:00 PM—Young at Heart Cards - Bridge (St. Josemaria)
6:15 PM—StP Children's Choir (St. Peter's Our Lady Chapel)
6:30 PM—Rosary Guild (St. Josemaria)
7:00 PM—StP Adult Choir (St. Peter's Our Lady Chapel)
7:00 PM—Sacramental Preparation (Parish Hall)
7:30 PM—StM Choir Practice for 10 AM Mass (St M Church)

Friday, November 28

10:00 AM—Chaplet of the Divine Mercy (St M Chapel)

Saturday, November 29

9:00 AM—StP CWL Christmas Bazaar (St. Paul's Cathedral)
12:30 PM—StJB Choir Practice (St M Church)
4:00 PM—StP SSV Angel Tree (St Peter's)
6:00 PM—StM CWL Membership Drive & Pie Sale (Parish Hall)

Sunday, November 30

8:00 AM—StM CWL Membership Drive & Pie Sale (Parish Hall)
8:00 AM—StP SSV Angel Tree (St Peter's)
2:30 PM—Advent Concert: *Emmanuel, God with Us* (St Peter's)
7:00 PM—Advent Mission with Fr. Bénéteau (St M Church)

PARISH Support

SUNDAY COLLECTION: November 16, 2025

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$4,280.30	\$4,075.30
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$1,873.40	\$1,944.35
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$3,677.92	\$4,308.75
TOTAL	\$9,831.62	\$10,328.40

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