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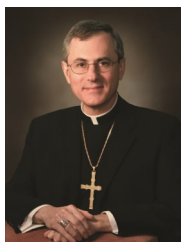
PARISH BULLETIN

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"

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 22, 2023



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We Belong To You

*"Ever Generous God, Giver of All that is Gift –
Just as Caesar's coin bears his image and belongs to him,
so too do we bear Your image. We belong to You.*

*Deepen in us an embodied embrace of our identity as Your beloved,
the work of Your hands. Keen our awareness to recognize that our
lives are entirely of You,*

Our time,

Our talents,

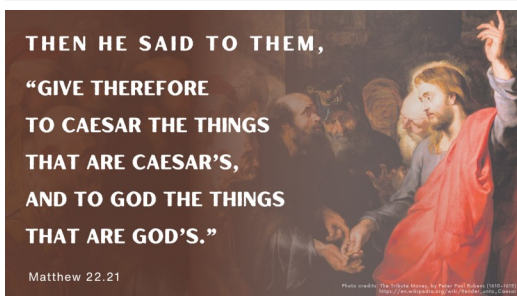
Our treasure – All is of You.

*Pry loose our grip that seeks to claim that which is of You as if it
were of and for us alone.*

*Free us more and more each moment of each day to make an ever-
greater return of love,*

*To surrender the gifts so lavishly and freely given back to
You, the Giver."*

Excerpt from Daily Reflection, Cynthia Schmersal, Creighton University's Online Ministries
<https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/102223.html>



Hallowed Highlight
October 28 Feast of St. Simon and
St. Jude, the Apostles
All you holy men of God, intercede for us...

A Rosary for PEACE
IN THE HOLY LAND
Wednesday, October 25
7:30 p.m. (ET)
See page 2



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



Parish Thanksgiving Appeal
Thank You for your Support!

There is still time to donate. Envelopes marked 'Thanksgiving Appeal' are available in the Narthex at both parishes and can be placed in the collection basket at Mass or you can donate electronically by setting up stmichlon@dol.ca or basilica@dol.ca as the recipient indicating "Thanksgiving" in the memo box. For any inquiries about this appeal or to donate, please contact the office at 519-433-6689 or 519-432-3475.



St. Josephine Bakhita Community Mass—This Sunday!

St. Josephine Bakhita Community monthly Mass is taking place this Sunday, **October 22nd at 2:30 p.m.** at St. Michael's Parish. All are welcome! Please come and join us! Bring along your family and friends.



St. Michael's Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive

The St. Michaels Knights of Columbus will be holding a returnable bottle drive in support of Ontario Special Olympics next weekend, **Oct. 28th and 29th** in the parish parking lot from 9am to 5pm on Saturday and 7am until 12pm on Sunday. Thank you in advance for your continued support, for without you, we couldn't do what we do. God Bless! Inquiries: Marty McAllister mfmcallister63@gmail.com.



St. Peter's CWL Apple Pie Bake Sale

We are still accepting orders until this Sunday, **October 22**. Please contact Marian Strom 519-872-5502 / mstrom55@gmail.com and specify if you wish your pie fully baked or bake-at-home. Pies are 8-3/4" for \$10 each. Pick up will be on Saturday, **November 4** between 9-10 am at St. Michael's Parish (St. Josemaria Room).

St. Michael's CWL Coffee Sunday & Membership Fair

Join us after each Mass on **Oct 28/29**.
Ever wondered what the Catholic Women's League is all about? This is your chance to find out! All parishioners are welcome to come for coffee and cookies after each Mass. CWL members are encouraged to renew their memberships at this time and new members are welcome to join. All women over the age of 16 are encouraged to come and explore what a CWL membership has to offer.

Bible Study Location Change

The *Bible Study of Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance* this Tuesday, **Oct 24th has been relocated** to the St. Josemaria Room (across from St. Michael's Hall). If you have any questions, contact Gerarda Smith-Hillier gjmsh3@gmail.com.



St. Peter's SSVV Updates

Your Society of Saint Vincent de Paul has been busy this past while; we are all aware of the many disadvantaged people living in London's downtown. During the month of September, we made calls to 55 households, helping 79 people. In total, \$3660.00 in grocery cards have been given out. When resources are available, we have begun to distribute grocery gift cards to the increasing number of street people who truly have no home.

We try to bring friendship and true concern to each household we visit, as material help is only part of our delivery. In order for us to do any of this, we rely on your support—both through your financial contributions, but also through your prayers on behalf of the poor in our midst.

Volunteers Needed! We are in great need of more volunteers to continue to meet the needs of the poor in our area. On Tuesdays, volunteers visit in teams of two the homes of our neighbours who have requested help, bringing grocery gift cards or St. Vincent de Paul store vouchers for clothing and furniture.

If you are interested in finding out more about our work, please call 519-434-5235. Thank you!

Mental Health Support

Y.A.N.A. You Are Not Alone is a faith-based, confidential, support group for those journeying with a loved-one who suffers with mental illness. There is no need to be alone.



Come share and receive wisdom and compassion. We meet the 3rd Monday of the month at St. Michael's in the JP11 room. If you would like more information, call Cathie Gauthier 519-850-0600 or Dorothy Solomon 519-204-2931

NEW DAY. New Day is a faith-based, support group for people living with a mental illness. Come - receive and share in the compassion and strength of the welcoming group. We meet every Tuesday afternoon from 1:30 - 3:00 at St. Michael's in the JP11 room. If you would like to make inquiries, please connect with Cathie Gauthier via phone 519-850-0600 or email cathiegauthier@rogers.com.



CCCB Statement on the Conflict in the Holy Land

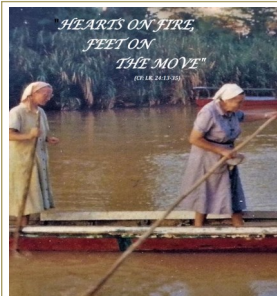
On Thursday, October 12, 2023, Most Rev. William T. McGrattan, Bishop of Calgary and CCCB President, issued a statement to the Catholic Faithful in Canada on the Recent Escalation of Conflict in the Holy Land. The full text can be found [here](#) (or visit www.cccb.ca/).



**A Time for Solidarity—
A Rosary for Peace in the Holy Land**

Responding to the call of the Holy Father, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and many other Church leaders throughout the world, Development and Peace - Caritas Canada invites you to join us as we pray the Rosary together for peace in the Holy Land.

Please join our national multilingual *Rosary for Peace in the Holy Land* at **7:30 p.m. ET on Wednesday, October 25, 2023**. If you are able, join us via Zoom at this [link](https://tinyurl.com/rosaryforpeace) (<https://tinyurl.com/rosaryforpeace>), or pray with us in spirit.



World Mission Sunday October 22, 2023

"Hearts on fire, feet on the move" (cf. Lk 24:13-35) World Mission Sunday has been celebrated since 1926 as a universal parish encounter to bring spiritual and material assistance to those who long for the love of Christ.

This day unites all of the faithful in our call to be missionary disciples who proclaim the word of God, celebrate the sacraments and exercise the ministry of charity.

Please see a message from the Diocese about World Mission Sunday at this [link](https://dol.ca/news/world-mission-sunday-2023) (dol.ca/news/world-mission-sunday-2023). Please give generously to support their work.

Veritas Series for Faith and Culture

The Veritas Lecture Series engages speakers from a variety of backgrounds to explore the depth of human experience and to articulate the truth - the fullness of humanity - to which we each aspire. The Catholic Intellectual Tradition welcomes and embraces this exploration as a means of participation in the common good that enhances this world we share.

This year's series theme is "Reconciliation: From Head to Heart." All lectures take place in the Joanne & Peter Kenny Theatre (in the Student Life Centre). Parking and admission are free.

The next speaker is Dr. Greg Kennedy, whose lecture is entitled, "Listening to the Land for Spiritual Direction." This will take place on Thursday **October 26, 2023** at 7:00 p.m. in the Kenny Theatre. More details and information about future lectures are at www.kings.uwo.ca/veritas.

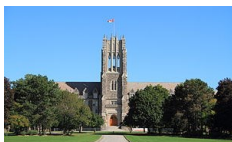


Annual Conference on Marriage-Gift & Grit

Discover the keys to a thriving marriage and family life at Family Foundation Institute's Annual Conference on Marriage. This year's conference, *Gift and Grit*, takes place Saturday **November 4th** at Saint André Bessette Secondary School in London. Guest speakers Andrew and Sarah Swafford (Ascension Press) will offer inspiring talks to help couples unearth their gifts and cultivate the resilience needed to overcome obstacles. The conference runs from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Early bird registration is \$100/couple and includes lunch, refreshments, and a resource package. Visit famfi.ca/gift to learn more and register.

Come and See Weekends

St. Peter's Seminary invites men 17+ to our discernment retreat on **Nov. 10-12, 2023** or **March 9-11, 2024**. Discover seminary life, seek spiritual guidance, and connect with our seminarians and faculty. Reach out to Father Danny Santos at vocations@dol.ca for more information and register online at www.dolpriest.ca/registration.



Confirmation Registration Update

Our *Fall Session* registrations are now closed. We thank those who have reached out.

We are excited to announce that we are currently accepting registrations for our Spring Session. Head over to our webpage lccc.dol.ca/confirmation to know the dates and other details for the Spring 2024 session. If you have any questions or need assistance, please connect with our Family & Youth Minister, Leigh Duckworth at lduckworth@dol.ca or 519-433-6689 x 229.



First Reconciliation/Communion 2023-2024

We are now accepting registrations for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion. If your child is in Grade 2 or up and has been baptized (Roman Catholic), please sign up online by clicking [here](https://lccc.dol.ca/firstreconciliationandeuucharist) or visiting lccc.dol.ca/firstreconciliationandeuucharist. *The 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.

St. Peter's Cathedral and Amabile Boys & Men's Choirs

present

In Remembrance... Captive Courage-A POW's Story

Saturday, November 11, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

St. Peter's Cathedral

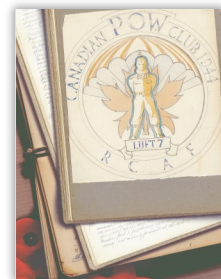
Adults: \$20.00, Students and Seniors: \$15.00

Veterans, Military personnel, and Children under 10- free.

Tickets are available at the door or online Amabile.com.

They were young, as we are young. They served, giving freely of themselves. To them, we pledge, to carry their torch and never forget.

From the logbook of Flight Officer Kenneth Irwin who spent 11-months in captivity as a German Prisoner of War in 1944, we recount his story of courage, determination and resilience in words and song, and commit to never forgetting their sacrifice.



SUNDAY COLLECTION: October 15, 2023

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$ 4,484.00	\$ 3,057.00
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$ 1,582.00	\$ 1,801.45
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 3,197.00	\$ 2,474.00
TOTAL	\$ 9,263.00	\$ 7,332.45

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, October 24

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Grant & Margaret Sgariglia
Nita Charles & Louisa Lopez
Mauricio Gabriel Reyes

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Remedios Jugalbot
Rick Baker
Intentions of Vianca and Albin Kmet

Wednesday, October 25

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Dorothy McGuire

Deceased Members of the VanderVloet & Meeuwssen Families
Intentions of Fr. William Thompson

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Marcel Bourque
Intentions of Margaret Bourque
Intentions of RoseMary Cleary

Thursday, October 26

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Lidia & Joe Favaro

Elliot & Kathleen Gaston-Johnston
Krystle Botermans

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Marjorie Ann Aksoy
Lidia and Joe Favaro
Vince Manganaro

Friday, October 27

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Isabel Mendoza de Bello
Andres Bello

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Bob Peckham
Maureen Jansen
Adam Strom

We remember in prayer all those who are sick including Patricia Garrett, sister of Irene Kennedy. We also pray for those who have died including Raffy Sanchez, father of Lysa & Lyra; Ermina Tagaan; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Rev. David Johnston; Deacon Cyril Cogghe; Lisa Wright, Coordinator of Sacramental Preparation;
Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.; Rev. Jason Kuntz; Rev. Brian Jane;
Rev. Patrick Bénéteau

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 OCTOBER 29, 2023 THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading - Exodus 22.21-27
Responsorial - Ps 18.1-2, 3+6, 46+50 (R.1)
R. I love you, O Lord, my strength.
Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 1.5-10
Gospel - Matthew 22.34-40

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.

Profile info change? Connect with us!



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- Scan the QR Code & follow the prompts
- Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) Plan
- Canada Helps canadahelps.org

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