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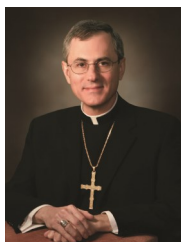
"Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus"

PARISH BULLETIN

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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 29, 2023



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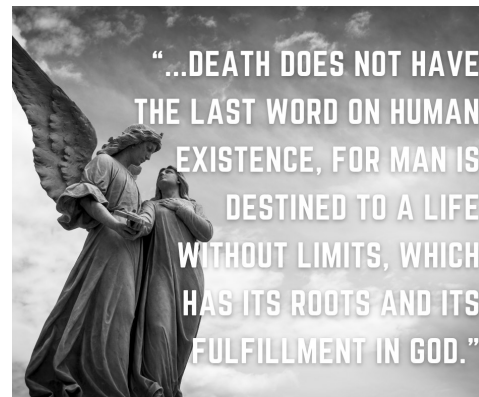
Christian Hope—All Saints & All Soul's

“Yesterday we celebrated the Solemnity of All Saints, and today the liturgy invites us to commemorate the faithful departed. These two recurrences are intimately linked to each other, just as joy and tears find a synthesis in Jesus Christ, who is the foundation of our faith and our hope. On the one hand, in fact, the Church, a pilgrim in history, rejoices through the intercession of the Saints and the Blessed who support her in the mission of proclaiming the Gospel; on the other, she, like Jesus, shares the tears of those who suffer separation from loved ones, and like Him and through Him echoes the thanksgiving to the Father who has delivered us from the dominion of sin and death.

Yesterday and today, many have been visiting cemeteries, which, as the word itself implies, is the “place of rest”, as we wait for the final awakening. It is lovely to think that it will be Jesus himself to awaken us. Jesus himself revealed that the death of the body is like a sleep from which He awakens us. With this faith we pause – even spiritually – at the graves of our loved ones, of those who loved us and did us good. But today we are called to remember everyone, even those who no one remembers. We remember the victims of war and violence; the many “little ones” of the world, crushed by hunger and poverty; we remember the anonymous who rest in the communal ossuary. We remember our brothers and sisters killed because they were Christian; and those who sacrificed their lives to serve others. We especially entrust to the Lord, those who have left us during the past year.

Church Tradition has always urged prayer for the deceased, in particular by offering the Eucharistic Celebration for them: it is the best spiritual help that we can give to their souls, particularly to those who are the most forsaken. The foundation of prayer in suffrage lies in the communion of the Mystical Body.

Remembering the dead, caring for their graves and prayers of suffrage, are the testimony of confident hope, rooted in the certainty that death does not have the last word on human existence, for man is destined to a life without limits, which has its roots and its fulfillment in God.”



Excerpt from Pope Francis, Angelus-Commemoration of the Faithful Departed, Nov. 2, 2014.

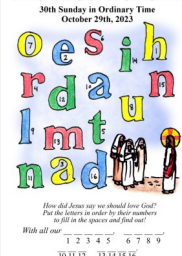
On **Thursday, November 2nd**, we will have an evening Mass at **7:00 p.m.** at both St. Michael's and St. Peter's commemorating All Soul's Day. We will remember in a special way, all those who have died this year from our parish.

Hallowed Highlights

- Nov. 1 Solemnity of All Saints
- Nov. 2 Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)
- Nov. 4 Memorial of St. Charles Borromeo

*All you holy men and women of God,
please intercede for us...*

The Kids' Bulletin



How can we love God so much?



Kids' Bulletin

can be found in the narthex or at Incc.dol.ca/kidsbulletin. For inquiries, connect with us through the parish office.



St. Michael's Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive

This weekend, **Oct. 28/29**, returnable bottles can now be dropped off in St. Michael's parking lot from 9am to 5pm on Saturday, and 7am to 12pm on Sunday. This cause is in support of Ontario Special Olympics. Thank you in advance for your continued support, for without you, we couldn't do what we do. God Bless! Marty McAllister mfmcallister63@gmail.com.



St. Michael's CWL Updates

Coffee Sunday & Membership Fair. Ever wondered what the Catholic Women's League is all about? Join us after each Mass this weekend, **Oct 28/29**, for coffee and cookies. 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.

November Meeting. Please join us on Monday, **Nov 6th** at 7:00 pm in the St. John Paul II Room for our General Membership meeting and special presentation by guests Shelley Baker and Mary Michniewicz. They will be speaking about the Society of St. Vincent De Paul's affordable housing project being planned near St. Andrew the Apostle Church. All women of our parishes are invited to attend this evening of friendship and information.

St. Peter's CWL Updates

General Meeting. Our next St. Peter's CWL General Meeting is scheduled for 11:00 am, Saturday, **November 4th**, in the St. John Paul II room, St. Michael's. In continuation of our education of homelessness, a guest speaker will be attending to discuss a project being spearheaded by the London Chapter of St. Vincent de Paul. Please bring an item for the Christmas Bazaar hamper (Christmas dinner items) and/or for 519 Pursuit (white socks or toiletries/hygiene products). BYO cup and small plate!

Christmas Bazaar. Saturday, **November 25th** from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at St. Paul's Cathedral (472 Richmond Street). Please see this week's bulletin [insert](#) for more details.

Workshop: Discover Development and Peace – Caritas Canada's Stand for the Land Campaign

This fall, we're continuing the *Create Hope: Stand for the Land* campaign. This time, we'll be meeting communities in northern Honduras who have been struggling to preserve their land and water since an iron ore mine opened in Carlos Escaleras National Park, and poisoned the rivers on which they depend for their livelihoods.

"We live every day with the fear of being killed or having one of our children taken away," –Juana Zúniga, member of the Committee for the Defence of Common and Public Goods of Tocoa, Colón.

To learn more, join us for a workshop at 7:00 pm on **November 2nd, 2023** at Kings University College Vitali Lounge Wemple Building.

For more information, contact: Michael Loebach via email/phone at michaelfloebach@gmail.com 519-434-4180 or Gord Smith at gosmit@execulink.com 519-672-2497 or visit devp.org/campaign.



Parish Office Closed–Oct 31

Our Family's offices will be closed on Tuesday, October 31st. On this day, all admin staff will be attending the *Canon Law for Family of Parishes Workshop* led by the Diocese. If you require assistance, please email basilica@dol.ca and we will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding and support.



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.

Red Mass–St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

A Red Mass is a Mass celebrated annually for all members of the legal profession: judges, lawyers, law professors and law students, and government officials, marking the opening of the judicial year. Through prayerful petition and thanksgiving the Red Mass requests guidance from the Holy Spirit for all who seek justice, and offers the legal community an opportunity to reflect on the God-given power and responsibility of all in the legal profession. Originating in Europe during the Thirteenth century, the Red Mass is so-called from the red vestments worn symbolizing the Holy Spirit. The first recorded Red Mass was celebrated in the Cathedral of Paris in 1245. It then spread to various countries throughout Europe and Britain and eventually to North America. In Canada, the Red Mass was first celebrated in Quebec City in 1896, in Toronto in 1924 and in Montreal in 1944.

This year the Red Mass—a votive mass of the Holy Spirit, will be celebrated at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica on Tuesday, **November 7th** at 12:00 p.m., marking the 195th Fall Opening of the Law Courts, at London, Middlesex County earlier this Fall. At this Mass, divine guidance and blessing will be sought for those responsible for and involved with the administration of justice, including our police. All are welcome to attend.



St. Michael's Family Trivia Night

You are invited to join the CWL and Knights of Columbus for a Family Trivia Night on Saturday, **November 18th** at 7pm in the Parish Hall. There will be games and questions for young people also, so we encourage you to bring your children (12 years and up). Pizza, snacks, pop and juice will be available. And there will be prizes, too! Tickets are \$10 per adult or \$30 for a family. Tickets available from the parish office or Dorothy Solomon 519-204-2931 or Marty McAllister 519-870-1859.

Prayer Line. Prayer Warriors offer intercessory prayers for those in need received from the submitted requests. Choose prayer times and remember the intentions for about two weeks. Each week we will also send a prayer that may be used. Do you have a desire to pray for others? Contact the coordinator at praylnc@gmail.com. Blessings all around.

Farewell to Mary Cole


On behalf of the Family of Parishes, I offer Mary Cole all the best as she leaves her duties here at the London North Central Catholic Family of Parishes. Mary has served as receptionist for St. Michael's and the Family of Parishes for the past four years. Mary has been a witness to her faith through her love of God and neighbour. Mary's prayerful and supportive assistance and presence will be missed.

-Father Daniel

Congratulations to Leigh Duckworth



We offer congratulations to Leigh Duckworth, our Family and Youth Minister, who has just completed her certification in Youth Ministry from the Catechetical Institute of the Franciscan University of Steubenville. Leigh's unwavering commitment and hard work were clearly evident throughout the past two years of her studies. She completed her coursework with dedication and enthusiasm, which undoubtedly contributed to her success in the program. These courses have equipped her with valuable skills and knowledge that will greatly enhance her role with our Family of Parishes.

 **Synod XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops, October 2023:**
"For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission."

The Synod on Synodality concludes this week in Rome. A letter has been issued from the Synod to the People of God summarizing their work over the past month. A full detailed report will be available at a later date. Click [here](#) to read the letter. If you would like a hard copy of the letter, please contact the parish office.

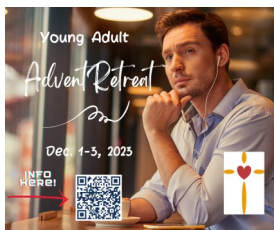
King's Open House



Join King's for their Open House on **Nov 4** from noon until 4:00 pm and experience the King's difference! You can attend information sessions about courses, scholarships, admission requirements, and student services; tour the campus in person and meet with faculty, students, and staff. This is your chance to discover why King's is a place to be, a place to become and a place to belong. Registration link - kings.uwo.ca/future-students/open-house/

Annual Catholic Men's Retreat - "Idol Thoughts" November 24-26, 2023

This retreat experience will be led by Rev. Michael Parent and will focus on deepening our relationship with the Lord and those around us. It will include talks, confession, Mass, times of quiet reflection and comradery. The weekend runs from 7pm Friday to 1pm Sunday. To register call the Retreat House at 519-738-6136 or visit www.hfrh.ca/upcoming-retreats.



Young Adult Advent Retreat: Joyful Anticipation Dec 1-3, 2023

Holy Family Retreat House, Harrow, ON Registrations for this retreat for young adults 18-35 years old are now open! Cost: \$225 | hfrh.ca/upcoming-retreats

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.*

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

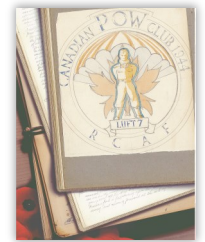
Adults: \$20.00, Students and Seniors: \$15.00

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.



Come and See Weekends



St. Peter's Seminary invites men 17 years of age and older who are considering to a call to the priesthood, to a discernment retreat on **Nov. 10-12, 2023** or **March 9-11, 2024**. This weekend offers a firsthand experience of the life of a seminarian, provides spiritual help for discernment and offers the opportunity to meet current seminarians and faculty of St. Peter's Seminary.

Reach out to Father Danny Santos at vocations@dol.ca for more information and register online at www.dolpriest.ca/registration.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: October 22, 2023

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$ 3,803.00	\$ 3,156.00
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$ 1,580.00	\$ 1,767.18
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 3,197.00	\$ 2,474.00
TOTAL	\$ 8,580.00	\$ 7,397.18

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 31

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Fr. Dunstan Massey, OSB
Lidia & Joe Favaro
Jim Phillips

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Roz Thomas
Maureen Jansen
Deceased Members of the Odili Family

Wednesday, November 1 (All Saints Day)

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Ernie Castrilli
Leo & Cecile Meidinger
Theresa & Clem Rigier

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Nick Castrilli
Jack and Rita Mockler
Beatification of the Servant of God, Frank Duff

Thursday, November 2 (All Soul's Day)

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Fr. Stephen Bodnar
Steve Morgan

Living & Deceased Family & Friends of the Solis-Reyes Family

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Valerie Cox and Deceased Family Members
Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary
Deceased Members of the Esquivel and Kmet Families

St. Michael's & St. Peter's Cathedral at 7:00 PM

All those who have died from our parish

Friday, November 3

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Elizabeth Mathew
Sue Seguin

Deceased Members of the Nabben & Zientara Family

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Joe and Mary Anne Dewan
Deceased and Living Members of St. Peter's Catholic Women's League

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 Abraham Acierto, father of Diana Saveron; Anne Fortin, wife of Renald; Zachary Kirschner, son of Lisa Hawkins; Marlene Reed, mother of Angela Townend; Alberto Quant; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Deacon Raymond Girard; Rev. Felix Odobi; Rev. Antonio Del Ciancio; Rev. Robert Rocheleau; Deacon Gary Coyle; Deacon Anthony Hogervorst

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 5, 2023 THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading - Malachi 1.14-2.2, 8-10
Responsorial - Ps 131.1, 2, 3
R. In you, Lord, I have found my peace.
Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 2.7-9, 13
Gospel - Matthew 23.1-12

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.



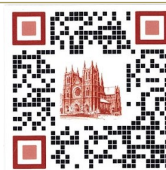
Are you new in the community? Register at www.lncc.dol.ca/join-our-family or get a parish registration form from our volunteers.

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- Canada Helps canadahelps.org

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