

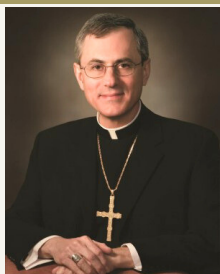


PARISH BULLETIN

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

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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WELCOME!

We warmly welcome all parishioners, new and longtime alike. If you are new to our parish and have not yet registered, please do so at lncc.dol.ca/join-our-family or ask for a registration form.

If you are looking to celebrate a sacrament at our parish, visit lncc.dol.ca for details. Don't have access online? Call the parish office to speak with a member of the Pastoral Team.

MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St. Michael's Parish

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

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

Wednesday 12:00 PM
Friday 12:00 PM
Saturday (livestreamed) 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM

St. Josephine Bakhita Community

(at St. Michael's)
4th Sunday of the Month

2:30 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

(at both parishes)
Saturday 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

St. Michael's Parish

(St. Josephine Bakhita African & Caribbean Community)

511 Cheapside Street, London, ON N5Y 3X5

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

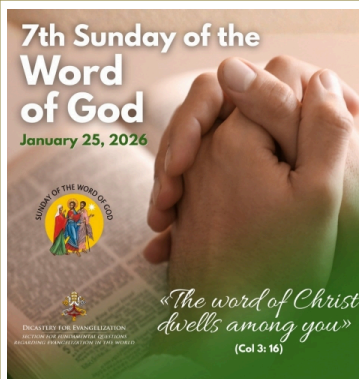
196 Dufferin Ave, London, ON N6A 1K8

Parish Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Or by appointment.

Please direct all mail for our three parishes to St. Michael's Parish mailing address (also the location of our parish office).

Visit us online!
www.lncc.dol.ca





Seventh Sunday of the Word of God

The Word of Christ Dwells Among You (Colossians 3.16)

"The biblical expression chosen for the celebration of the seventh edition of the Sunday of the Word of God is taken from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians: *"The word of Christ*

dwells among you" (3:16). What we have received from the Apostle is not a simple moral exhortation, but the indication of a new way of living. Paul does not ask that the Word be merely listened to or studied; he wants it to dwell, that is, to take up stable residence, to shape our thoughts, guide our desires, and make credible the witness of the disciples. The Word of Christ remains a sure criterion that unifies and renders fruitful the life of the Christian community.

After the Holy Year, this motto remains for us a precious inheritance: an invitation addressed to the whole Church to place the Gospel once more at the centre, since every true renewal is born from docile listening to the Word. To welcome it means allowing ourselves to be accompanied by the One who does not deceive, because He gives life and hope. To be inhabited by the Word ultimately means permitting Christ to speak even today through our lives, so that every person may recognize His presence, which continues to illuminate the journey of history.

Every Christian and every community must rediscover the primacy of the Word of God. Its sincere and profound listening is an essential path through which human beings encounter God. When space is given to the Word, each person discovers that the Word of God dwells in the heart like a seed that, in due time, sprouts and bears fruit. Indeed, all of us are invited to nourish ourselves with the daily bread of the Word and, afterwards, to proclaim it to our brothers and sisters, for proclamation flows from the abundance of the heart, according to the Gospel saying: "from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks" (Mt 12:34; Lk 6:45)."

Taken from Sunday of the Word of God, Pastoral & Liturgical Handbook, 2026
<https://www.evangelizatio.va/content/pcpne/en/attivita/parola/2026/sussidio.html>



St. Peter's Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SSVP)

The stories we hear...

"Life is Hard. I just retired and I was lucky to find a small affordable 1-bedroom apartment to live comfortably on my pension. I received a phone call from my daughter whom I have not had contact with for quite sometime. She informs me she just left a difficult relationship, she needs a place to stay, she has no money, no job, in need of clothing. I hear the fear in her voice, what do I do...she tells me she is 6 months pregnant..."

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is where she turned to for help!



Women of Grace

OREMUS: Reinvigorate your prayer life

January 27 - March 24

Get ready for Holy Week, live a meaningful Lent

Do you find it easy to pray? Do you hear God's voice in your daily life and know how to respond?

For most of us, the answer is no, and we struggle to find even a few minutes every day to pray. The good news is that you can overcome these difficulties. Oremus teaches you the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. Over eight weeks, you will learn the simple steps of Catholic prayer. Following Church Tradition and the wisdom of the saints, you will learn to talk to God and hear his voice in Scripture, in your heart, and in ordinary moments. You will become more aware of his presence, will learn to overcome distractions and dryness, and will recognize desolation and consolation as normal prayer experiences. As you grow closer to God, you will also grow in your relationship with those around you.

January 27 to March 24, Tuesdays from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM
John Paul II Room at St Michael's Parish

There is no cost to join; however, registration is required. Contact Veronica Solis 519-488-6265, versolis@hotmail.com.



St. Peter's Knights of Columbus

A Knight to Remember - Speakers' Night: January 28

St. Peter's KofC cordially invites you, your family, and friends to "A Knight to Remember" - Speaker's Night on **Wednesday, January 28** from 7:00-9:00 PM at St. Michael's Parish Hall.

Topics include:

- New tax rules for 2025 filing (including UHT updates and rate & income bracket changes)
- Funeral planning and family care
- Pre-planning options
- Life insurance and Catholic investing

Guest Speakers:

- James Vollmer – Tax Accountant
- John & Patrick Donohue – Donohue Funeral Home
- John Noonan – Knights of Columbus Field Agent



St. Michael CWL General Meeting

February 2 at 7:00 PM

All women of the parish are invited to the first CWL meeting of the New Year, on Monday, February 2nd at 7:00 PM in the John Paul II Room. We will be discussing the proposed 2026 budget. A time to socialize will follow the business meeting.

Pro-Life Seminar: How to transform our culture

Join 4LifeLondon for a pro-life seminar focused on effective, compassionate outreach and practical strategies to transform our culture and protect pre-born children.

- **Date:** January 28, 2026
- **Time:** 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
- **Location:** TBD (visit <https://4lifelondon.ca/event/seminars/>)
- **Speaker:** Maria McCann

Please RSVP by text/call to Leire at 519-659-3334

Social Justice Committee

The parish Development and Peace committee, subcommittee of the Social Justice Committee, wishes to thank the parishioners and the parish office for their support leading to the success of the Turn Debt Into Hope petition weekend, January 10/11.

126 signatures were obtained, to add to the 400 last year, and the national goal of 60,000 is now very close to being reached. This is a strong message to national governments including Canada's to deal with the large debt burden reducing the health and education capacity of poor countries with over 3 billion of the world's population.

Thanks also to the students of Mother Theresa Secondary School for their help in preparing the displays and for assisting with the signing tables.

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ST. PETER'S
SEMINARY

Vocation Event: Jeremiah Day February 7 at 10 AM - St. Peter's Seminary

The story of the prophet Jeremiah tells us that it is never too early to think about God's plan for us.

This is a day for young men (Grades 8 to 12) to grow closer to God and to visit our seminary. Young men of faith are encouraged to attend. The activities include a tour of St. Peter's Seminary, Mass, lunch, time for prayer and an indoor sports activity in the afternoon.

For more information, contact Fr. Rob Renaud at vocations@dol.ca or 519-432-1824 ext 204.

To register, visit dolpriest.ca/discernwithothers.

View the event poster [here](#).

The Pope Francis Fund Application Process is Open



The Diocese of London's Pope Francis Fund has opened the application process for grants that will be distributed in 2026. Last year, nine organizations received a total of \$50,000 in funding. The process, criteria, and past are at www.dol.ca/pff.

Parishioners are asked to share this with any groups who could benefit from this funding and use it to help the poor in our communities. The application process closes on February 28.

Teen Lenten Retreat: March 7 - 8 Holy Family Retreat House, Oxley, ON

This Lent, the Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry Office is inviting high school teens from across the Diocese to step away from the noise and make space for what truly matters.

High school teens are invited to a meaningful retreat experience to encounter God, grow in faith, and be reminded that they are seen, known, and deeply loved.

Registration is now open at this link or visit dol.ca/teen-lenten-retreat-2026 or scan the QR code here. ➡



Diocesan Family Summit

Save the Date: May 30

Families of all ages are invited to join the Diocesan Family Summit on **Saturday, May 30, from 9:30 AM to 8:30 PM at Regina Mundi Catholic High School (520 Wellington Rd S).**

Rooted in the Scripture Rooted in the Scripture theme: *"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."* (Joshua 24:15)

Featured highlights include:

- Keynote Speaker: Deacon Bob Rice
- Worship led by The Encounter Band
- Evening Mass celebrated by Bishop Fabbro
- Breakout sessions for women, men, teens, and youth
- All meals included
- Bussing from Windsor & childcare available

Cost is \$20 for adults | \$10 for youth/teens

Register by clicking [HERE](#) or

scanning the QR Code with your smartphone.

View the event poster [here](#).

SCAN



This week on **formed**

This week's videos highlight saints who shared the faith through both wisdom and compassion. As we approach the memorials of **St. Thomas Aquinas** (Jan 28) and **St. John Bosco** (Jan 31), we are invited to reflect on how intellect, creativity, and love for youth can each serve God's Kingdom.



Watch the 23-min
video [here](#).

St. Thomas Aquinas was gifted with one of the greatest minds in history and devoted his life to studying God. In this episode of Catholic Saints, Dr. Christopher Mooney and Taylor Kemp explore his life, faith, and enduring legacy.

Don Bosco: The True Story of the Apostle of Youth

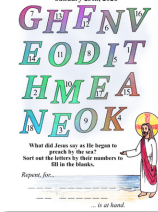
is a classic film that stars Ben Gazzara as St. John Bosco, the nineteenth-century priest who dedicated his life to serving the homeless youth of Turin. Despite great opposition, his compassion and faith led to the founding of the Salesians, who continue his mission with youth worldwide. *Parental guidance is recommended.*



Watch the 2-hour
film [here](#).

For free access to more resources on Formed, go to www.Formed.org/parishes, click 'Find your parish', then type in *London North Central Catholic Family of Parishes*.

The Kids' Bulletin



Jesus Tells us to Repent

Today's Gospel tells of Jesus beginning His mission of preaching and healing, calling the people first to repent. Why is repentance necessary, and why does true conversion require more than simply trying to do better?

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

PRAYER REQUESTS & MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, January 27

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Steve Morgan
Pauline Geiger
Alexander Khan

William & Mary Prendergast
Deceased Members of the Prendergast Family

Wednesday, January 28

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Irenea Poto

Living & Deceased Members of the Lindenblatt Family
Intentions of Dusan Hanuliak
Intentions of Carmen Marek

Thursday, January 29

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Leo F. White
Adriano S. Macatiguib, Sr.
Intentions of Larissa Shidlvoskya
Intentions of Tim O'Regan

Friday, January 30

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 PM

Fr. Stephen Bodnar
Dawn Munday

Intentions of Morgan & Matthew Turnbull
Intentions of Jacqueline & Raphael Ezike
Living & Deceased Members of the Caldwell & MacKenzie Families

We remember in prayer all those who are sick including

Mary Quigley, Leo Dodds, and Richard Dwyer.

We also pray for those who have died including Dr. Patrick Connor; Akuro Raphael Tekoh; Regina Currie, wife of Steve; Rina O'Reilly, sister of Mary Cahalan; Carol Ann Rourke; Sister Joan Cummings, CSJ; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Alexandra Fung, Pastoral Minister to Families and Youth;
Rev. Michael Dwyer; Ursuline Sisters of Chatham; Rev. Frank Leslie; Kathryn Heemsherk, Pastoral Minister;
Deacon Daniel McPhee; Erica Eaglesham, 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 February 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading – Zephaniah 2.3; 3.12-13
Responsorial - Ps. 146.6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10 (R.Mt 5.3)

*R. Blessed is the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!*

Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 1.26-31

Gospel - Matthew 5.1-12

PARISH EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, January 26

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

5:30 PM - Hospitality North (Parish Hall/Kitchen)

7:00 PM - StM CWL Ukelele (JP II)

Tuesday, January 27

9:30 AM - Women of Grace: Oremus (JP II)

7:00 PM - StM Choir Practice for 5PM & 8AM (St Cecilia)

7:30 PM - StP KofC Executive Meeting (JP II)

Wednesday, January 28

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

10:00 AM - Cathedral Tour (St Peter's Church)

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

7:00 PM - StP KofC: A Knight to Remember (Parish Hall)

7:00 PM - Parish Pastoral Council (JP II)

Thursday, January 29

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

6:15 PM - StP Children's Choir (St Peter's Our Lady Chapel)

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 10AM Mass (St M Church)

Friday, January 30

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

Saturday, January 31

12:30 PM - StJB Choir Practice (St M Church)

Sunday, February 1

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PARISH *Support*

Sunday Collection: January 18, 2026

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Weekly Offertory	\$ 8,260.75	\$ 5,216.30

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