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Catholic Family of Parishes



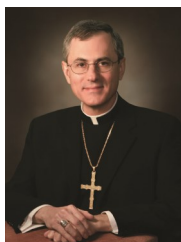
"Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus"

PARISH BULLETIN

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

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 5, 2023



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Bishop of London

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ST. PETER'S CATHEDRAL BASILICA 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 Basilica
196 Dufferin Ave., London, ON

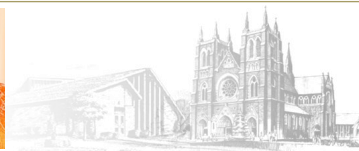
Tickets at the Door or Online at Amabile.com
Adults: \$20 | Seniors & Students: \$15
Veterans, Military Personnel & Children Under 10 - Free

Logos: Ontario Arts Council, London Community Foundation, London Arts Council, Canada Council for the Arts.

*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.

November 11, Saturday, 2:00 p.m. St. Peter's Cathedral. Tickets at the door.



Parish Thanksgiving Appeal–**THANK YOU!**

As October drew to close earlier this week, so too our annual Parish Thanksgiving Appeal concluded. Thank you for the prayerful support and many financial contributions we received over this month. This is a great sign of love and commitment to your parish. Your generous response to this year's Thanksgiving Appeal will help us to continue the ongoing development and enhancement of our parish ministries and programs, address the growing needs in all areas of outreach, and aid us in other projects that will help sustain our buildings and communities in the years ahead.

The Spirit is alive at the London North Central Catholic Family of Parishes–St. Josephine Bakhita African & Caribbean Community, St. Michael's Parish, and St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica. Thank you again for your generosity and support.



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

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul collection for the needy within our parish boundary is the 2nd Sunday of each month. Thank you for your support.

Make cheques payable to St. Michael's Parish and write SSVP on the memo line, or select SSVP from the drop-down list on Pllenty. www.lncc.dol.ca/donate-to-st-michaels



St. Michael's CWL Updates

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.

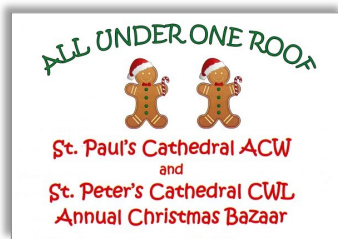
St. Peter's CWL Christmas Bazaar

Nov. 25 from 9 am–2 pm; St. Paul's Cathedral

Our CWL Christmas Bazaar is at St. Paul's Cathedral (472 Richmond Street). This week we are highlighting donations for the religious table. Items such as rosaries, prayer cards, religious media (books, CDs), crucifixes, statues, candles will be gratefully accepted.

Donation drop offs will occur at St. Paul's (back door, off of Clarence Street parking lot) on Sunday, **Nov. 12th and 19th.**

Please come AFTER the 9:00 am mass, before and after the 11:00 a.m. up to 1:00 p.m. On Wednesday, **November 22nd**, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. volunteers will be at St. Paul's to accept donations if unable to come on the 2 Sundays.



Red Mass–St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

This Tuesday!

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.



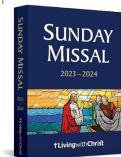
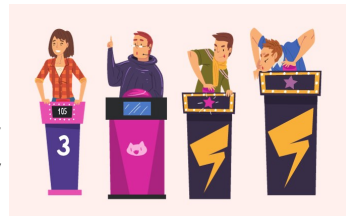
This year the Red Mass—a votive mass of the Holy Spirit, will be celebrated at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica on Tuesday, **November 7th** at 12:00 p.m., marking the 195th Fall Opening of the Law Courts, at London, Middlesex County earlier this Fall. At this Mass, divine guidance and blessing will be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

St. Michael's CWL & KofC 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.



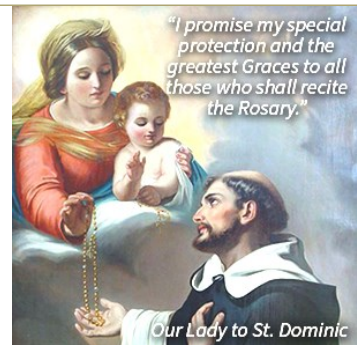
2023-2024 Sunday Missal Now Available!

The 2023-2024 Sunday Missal for the new liturgical year is now available. Get your copy today! Cost is \$5.00. Contact the parish office for inquiries.

St. Michael's Rosary Guild Welcomes You!

Be part of the joy in crafting Rosaries for Our Lady.

New members are warmly welcomed. Please reach out to Monica at 519-666-0590 for more information or inquiries and to get started.



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.



One-Time Screening of "Nefarious"

Full of Grace Productions presents a one-time screening of the Hollywood 2023 film *Nefarious* at the Hyland Cinema, (240 Wharnclyffe Road South), on Sunday, **November 26th** at 3:30 pm. Tickets are \$17 and available online at hylandcinema.com/movie/nefarious.

Nefarious is highly endorsed by church leaders such as Cardinal Raymond Burke and Exorcist, Father Carlos Martin from the Order of the Companions of the Cross.

Get your tickets ASAP before they sell out. Suitable for 14 years of age and older. For further information contact: 519-702-2678.



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 **Kids' Bulletin and other resources** can be found in the narthex or at lccc.dol.ca/kidsbulletin. Grab your copy today! Contact us for inquiries.

Young at Heart—Bridge Players Wanted!

St. Michael's Parish - every Thursday 1-3 pm
No partner needed! Casual & fun!
Just drop in! Bring 1 loonie
Tea & coffee provided
For more info: call Jean 519-660-0193 or Mary 519-433-3763



D&P—A Call for Peace & Generosity Social Justice Committee

Last week Development & Peace - Caritas Canada issued a press release in which we:

- Announced an allocation of \$150,000 to Caritas Jerusalem.
- Announced that we have joined the Humanitarian Coalition's Gaza Humanitarian Emergency appeal donations to which will be matched dollar for dollar by the Government of Canada.
- Called for an immediate ceasefire as even [Pope Francis has done](#).
- Invited Canadians to give generously to help families affected by the conflict (select *Gaza Humanitarian Emergency* in the dropdown menu on the donation page <https://devp.org/en/make-a-donation/>)

According to Carl Héту, D&P Caritas Canada executive director, "A ceasefire, the release of hostages and a safe humanitarian corridor are needed... Eventually, the international community must work for a permanent, peaceful negotiated settlement that respects the human rights, dignity and just aspirations of all peoples. But right now, families in Gaza need our generosity and prayers more than anything else."



Mass for the Unborn Changes Coming in 2024

Please be advised that the Mass for the Unborn has undergone some changes.

The name of the Mass has been changed to the *Mass for Life*. This is more inclusive of all that is sacred in life - abortion, euthanasia, MAID and life from conception to natural death. The date of the Mass has changed from the Feast of the Holy Innocents (usually December 28 of each year) to a Wednesday in May. There will not be a Mass held in 2023. In 2024, the **Mass for Life will be held on Wednesday, May 8, 2024**. We will send out a notice ahead of time. The Rosary or the Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be omitted to focus exclusively on the Mass.

SUNDAY COLLECTION: October 29, 2023

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$ 3,304.00	\$ 5,139.00
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$ 1,605.00	\$ 1,544.35
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 3,197.00	\$ 2,474.00
TOTAL	\$ 8,106.00	\$ 9,157.35

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, November 7

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Emily & Anthony Sawicki
Rhonda Cole
Lucy Strasser

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Thomas Fisher
Joe and Mary Anne Dewan
Intentions of Rahgen Small

Wednesday, November 8

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Ernesto Castrilli
Marco Mazariegos
Jerry Killian

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Tony Augustine
Anthony and Mary Pinto
Vittorio Valastro

Thursday, November 9

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Ernesto & Antonietta Castrilli
Georg Knab
Frank Percic

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Maria and Domenico Aragona
Sara and Sebastiano Valastro
Intentions of the Thomson Family

Friday, November 10

St. Michael's at 8:00 AM
Lynn Ahlers
Kenneth & Jeffrey Beam
Intentions of Derick George

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

Gianni Valastro
Mariano Valastro

Deceased Members of the Harvey Gleason Family

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 Joe Uniak; Howard Solomon; Gerhard Lindenblatt, husband of (late) Margaret; Cheryl Ann Glaab, sister of Donna & sister-in law of Deacon Rudy Pflanzner; Moya Griffiths, sister of Janet Jardine; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Most Rev. John Corriveau, O.F.M. Cap.; Most Rev. Ronald Fabbro, C.S.B.; Rev. Robert Renaud; Rev. Mateusz Sobierajski, C.S.M.A.; Rev. Charles Akinloye; Rev. Theodore Pinto; Rev. Mark Sargent

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 12, 2023

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading - Wisdom 6.12-16
Responsorial - Ps 63.1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-7
R. My soul thirsts for you, O Lord my God.
Second Reading - 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18
Gospel - Matthew 25.1-13

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.



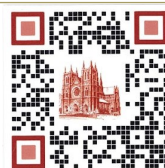
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- Interac E-Transfer
- Scan the QR Code & follow the prompts
- Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) Plan
- Canada Helps canadahelps.org

Your donations support the activities which enrich and nourish the spiritual life of the parish. The donations you give go to the collections of the specific parish that you select. Charitable tax receipts are issued in the new year following.

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