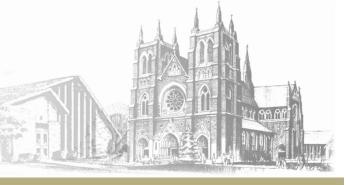


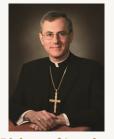
PARISH BULLETIN

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



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 5, 2025



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Every year, each parish within our Diocese takes part in the annual Thanksgiving Appeal. The funds raised during this campaign stay within our parish, supporting and fulfilling our financial obligations and countless activities in the ministry, liturgy, outreach, and other special projects.

Your generous contributions directly allow us to continue maintaining our buildings, sustaining our ministry efforts amidst rising costs, meeting the growing needs of our community outreach, and realizing our pastoral goals for the future.

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St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

9 196 Dufferin Ave., London, ON N6A 1K8

St. Michael's Parish

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(St. Josephine Bakhita African & Caribbean Community)

Contact Information

Please direct all mail to St. Michael's mailing address.

Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM- 3:00 PM *Or by appointment.*

Communion by the Cup Returns

We will be returning to Communion by the Cup as our common practice in the Family of Parishes at our weekend Masses beginning in November.



With this we will need more people to serve in this ministry at all Masses at both parishes. Do you feel called to minister to your brothers and sisters by distributing the Eucharist? Please contact Cathryn Hall at chall@dol.ca for more information. Formation and training will be provided.

Rosary for Peace-Tuesday, October 7

6:30 PM-7:00 PM | St. Michael's Parish

Our broken and wounded world is in need of urgent care.



On the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, October 7, we will gather as a Family of Parishes to pray, from the depths of our hearts, the rosary for peace, love, and healing in our world. All are welcome.

London Public Square Rosary Rally-October 11

Come pray with us to celebrate the anniversary of the Miracle at Fatima.

Saturday, October 11 at 11:55 AM

Victoria Park Bandshell, London

Please bring your own chair if you require seating! Freewill donations accepted. For inquiries, please contact us via email at <u>ourladyofrock@gmail.com</u>.

Daily Rosary for Peace

Pope Leo XIV has called upon the faithful to unite in praying the rosary every day during the month of October, which the Church dedicates to the Holy Rosary. This initiative aims to invoke God's gift of peace, especially in light of ongoing global conflicts and tensions. The Pope emphasized the importance of personal, family, and community prayers, encouraging all Catholics to participate. Pope Leo XIV's appeal comes amid serious international tensions, including conflicts in Ukraine and Gaza. He expressed sorrow over the destruction caused by violence and hatred, urging Christians to share the love of Jesus as a response to these challenges. The Pope's call for daily rosary prayers serves as a reminder of the power of prayer in seeking peace and healing in a troubled world.



A significant event will take place on October 11, 2025, at 6:00 PM in St. Peter's Square, where the faithful will gather to pray the rosary as part of the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality. This date also marks the anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council in 1962, linking the event to the Church's ongoing call for peace and renewal. The original image of Our Lady of Fatima will be present during this gathering, further enhancing its spiritual significance.

40 Days for Life

Join us in prayerful witness! Running from September 24 until November 1, 2025, the Vigil will be held Monday through Saturday, from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM.



Location: Wellington Rd & Commissioners Rd E Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/londonON

Questions? Call Leire Douros at 519-659-3334.

Children's Church Starts This Sunday!

Children ages 3-6 (potty trained) are invited to Children's Church during the 10 AM Mass at St. Michael's Parish. Parents may drop off their children in the St. Josemaria Room 5-10 minutes before Mass begins. For safety, all children must be signed in by a parent.

Volunteer Opportunity. We are blessed with

many hands and hearts at work behind the scenes. To keep this ministry thriving, we are always in need of more volunteers! If you feel called to serve and share your time, please connect with us to learn how you can get involved.

Questions? Contact Leigh Duckworth at lduckworth@dol.ca.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Fall registration for Confirmation closes this Friday, October 10. Spring registration will remain open until March 6, 2026. For forms and more information, visit www.lncc.dol.ca/confirmation.

Questions? Contact Leigh Duckworth at lduckworth@dol.ca.

2025 Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our Family of Parishes is now accepting donations for our 2025 Thanksgiving Food Drive starting this weekend, October 4 & 5, and October 11 & 12. This is in support of St. Paul's Social Services Food Bank and Fellowship Central.

The most needed items are:

Tuna Mac & Cheese (KD) Peanut Butter Mayonnaise Spaghetti Sauce Tea Bags & Coffee Onions & Potatoes Canned Meat Pasta

Hot or Cold Cereal

- ⇒ Please check food expiration dates prior to your donation.
- ⇒ Put your donations in a reusable bag.
- \Rightarrow Item donations may be dropped off in the narthex of St. Michael's Parish and St. Peter's Cathedral at Mass.
- ⇒ Cash and grocery store gift cards to buy supplies are especially welcome. Place your donation in a sealed envelope marked, "Food Drive," and place it in the offertory collection basket or drop off at the parish office at St. Michael's (511 Cheapside Street).

Thank you for supporting our brothers and sisters in need!



Come & See Weekends

October 17-19. The Sisters of the Precious Blood are hosting a Come & See Weekend, "A Glimpse into the Life of a Contemplative Sister". The retreat is intended for Catholic women aged 18-45. More information can be found at pbsisters.on.ca/ or you can send an email to Sr. Eileen Mary at vocations@pbsisters.on.ca.

November 21-23. St. Peter's Seminary is holding a discernment retreat for men 17 years old and older, baptized Catholics and are considering a call to the priesthood. 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. For inquiries, contact Fr. Rob Renaud at r.renaud@dol.ca or 519-432-1824 ext. 204 to register.

Impact of the Canada Post Strike

The union representing Canada Post 🎑 postal workers has issued a nationwide strike. As a result, all mail services are



currently suspended. Mail will not be delivered to our office for the duration of the strike and possibly days after the strike

For parishioners who rely on Canada Post to send their donations or Mass intentions to our office, please contact us at 519-433-6689 and our office will make arrangements to pickup.

To ensure our parishioners receive communications timely, email is one of the most efficient and cost-effective ways to communicate. If you are not receiving parish communications by email please take a moment to help us add your email by selecting one of the options below.

For parishioners who do not subscribe to email or are unable to attend Mass in person, contact our office and we will make every effort to stay connected!

We currently don't have an email for you. If you have an email, please select an option so we can update our information.



1. Send an email to stmichlon@dol.ca.



2. Scan the QR Code using your smartphone.



No email? No problem!

Call the parish office to let us know, and we'll make sure to keep reaching you through print.

Thank you for taking a moment to help us out, we truly appreciate it!

Parish Thanksgiving Appeal Ways to Donate

Contributions to our Thanksgiving Appeal can be made throughout the entire month of October! All donations are sincerely appreciated. Here's how you can donate:

- Cash or cheque donations can be placed in sealed envelopes marked, "Thanksgiving Appeal," and placed in the collection basket at Mass.
- E-transfers directly through your bank: set up stmichlon@dol.ca or basilica@dol.ca as the recipient, indicating "Thanksgiving" in the memo box.
- Using your credit card through Pllenty. To make a donation, click on your parish of choice: St. Michael's Parish | St. Peter's Cathedral. Select 'Thanksgiving' at the bottom of the drop-down menu and follow the prompts.

For any inquiries about this appeal, please contact the parish office at 519-433-6689. Thank you for your support!

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

St. Michael's CWL General Meeting

Catholic Women's League

Please join us this Monday, October 6 at 7:00 PM in the JP II Room for our General Membership meeting and presentation on PHSS Medical Care in the Community by Marian Strom, Chair of PHSS Foundation Board. All women of our Family of Parishes, ages 16 and up, are invited to this evening of friendship and information.

CWL Christmas Market Save the Date: Saturday, November 8

9 AM-3 PM | St. Michael's Parish Hall Proceeds support St. Vincent de Paul Affordable Housing, Hospitality North, and other CWL charities and initiatives.

St. Peter's CWL New Clothing Sale

Big News! We are hosting a Clothing Sale at St. Michael's Parish Hall on Saturday, October 11 from 9 AM to 3 PM. Shop new ladies' clothing from a local boutique plus a curated selection of like-new pieces in excellent condition.

All items available by free-will donation - supporting CWL's charitable work, including making blankets for the homeless.

St. Michael's Knights of Columbus **Returnable Bottle Drive**

The St. Michael's Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual returnable bottle drive the weekend of October 25 & 26 in the church parking lot. Collection hours will be Saturday from 9:00 AM until 12 PM, and 4:00 PM until 5:00 PM. Sunday collection will be from 7:00 AM until 12 PM. All monies raised will be donated to the Ontario Special Olympics. Thank you for your support!

For inquiries, contact Marty at mfmcallister63@gmail.com.



The A.P. Mahoney Library Lecture

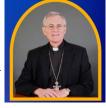
"Being an Intelligent Believer: A Danger or a Calling? A Reflection Through the Lenses of Biblical Exegesis"

Presented by Fr. Hervé Tremblay, O.P., the lecture will be held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025, at 7:30 PM at St. Peter's Seminary in the Bishop John Michael Sherlock Auditorium, with a reception to follow. More info on the event poster (see bulletin boards). This is a free event. All are welcome!

The Bishop's 75th

Join us in celebrating Bishop Fabbro's 75th birthday with a special evening of joy, gratitude, and shared mission.

In honour of this milestone, this event will replace the annual Windsor Bishop's Dinner for this year only, and will support ministries close to Bishop Fabbro's heart.



Thursday, October 30, 2025

Ciociaro Club, Windsor

For updates, visit <u>www.dol.ca/bishop75</u>.

REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday, October 7

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

John McGivern Andrea Suski Fran Middaugh Paula Tremblay

Wednesday, October 8

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Patrick & Ruth Cowan Joan & Robert Charette Deceased Members of the Maitino Families Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, October 9

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Mildred Wilbur Fran Middaugh Robert Thibeault Intentions of Mary Ann Ferrer Intentions of Maurice Moin

Friday, October 10

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Nick Castrilli Souls in Purgatory Intentions of the Dychangco Family Intentions of Norma Fenik

We remember in prayer all those who are sick including Leo Dodds; and Mary Quigley.

We also pray for those who have died including Joan Duffy, mother of Matthew and Stephen, grandmother of Bridget, and mother-in-law of Saundra.

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

Rev. Michael Woods; Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary; Rev. Nelson Cabral; Leigh Duckworth, Family and Youth Minister; Deacon John Vezina; Rev. Donald Lococo, CSB; Deacon Charles (Chuck) Stillwell

Offer a Mass for a loved one, or in thanksgiving. Contact the parish office or visit www.lncc.dol.ca/mass-prayer-requests.

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

PARISH EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, October 6

8:30 AM-StP CWL (Kitchen)

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

5:30 PM-Hospitality North (Parish Hall)

7:00 PM-StM CWL General Meeting (JP II)

Tuesday, October 7

9:30 AM-St. Michael's School Mass (StM Church) 7:00 PM-StM KofC General Meeting (JP II)

Wednesday, October 8

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

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

7:00 PM-StM Choir Practice (St. Cecilia)

7:00 PM-Bible Study (Parish Hall)

Thursday, October 9

8:30 AM-StP CWL Pie Making (Kitchen)

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-Sacramental Preparation (Parish Hall)

7:00 PM-StP Adult Choir (St. Peter's Our Lady Chapel)

7:30 PM-StM Choir Practice for 10 AM Mass (St. Cecilia)

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

Friday, October 10

10:00 AM-Chaplet of Divine Mercy (St. Michael's Chapel)

Saturday, October 11

9:00 AM-3:00 PM-StP CWL Clothing Sale (Parish Hall)

9:00 AM-12:00 PM-StP CWL Pie Pick up (Kitchen)

10:00 AM-Yarning with Love (St. Josemaria)

12:00 PM-3:00 PM-StP CWL Pie Pick up (St. Josemaria)

Food Drive Donation Drop Offs-Before/After Masses (Narthex)

Sunday, October 12

Food Drive Donation Drop Offs-Before/After Masses (Narthex)

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SUNDAY COLLECTION: September 28, 2025

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$3,544.00	\$3,466.00
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$2,100.20	\$2,176.65
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$3,560.67	\$3,105.00
TOTAL	\$9,204.87	\$8,747.55

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