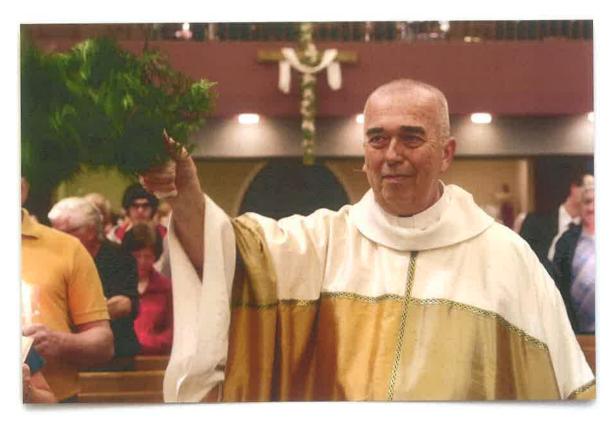
CHATHAM CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES



Main Offices & Hours

Main Offices of Blessed Sacrament and St. Agnes Parish Cluster

52 Croydon Street, Chatham, Ontario N7L 1L3

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A Eucharistic community, living as Christ-centered disciples, sharing our faith, serving and embracing all.

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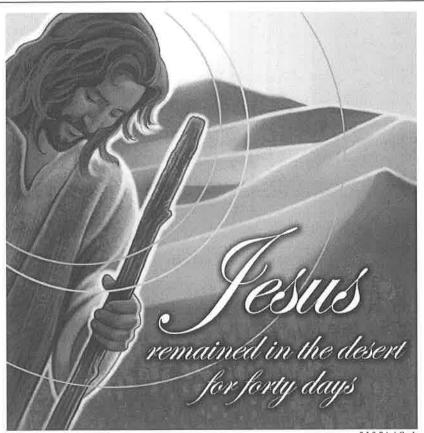
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Stations of the Cross Friday, February 23 7:00 pm St. Agnes Church



FEBRUARY 18th, 2018 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Blessed Sacrament Parish

Email: bsacramentparish@dol.ca

Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes Website: www.ccfp.dol.ca Facebook for CCFP is https://www.facebook.com/bssasusj

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St. Agnes 3:00 - 6:00 pm

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Tickets available at William Street Café

SAY YES MASSES AND COFFEE SUNDAY



Today after the 9:30 am YES Mass at Blessed Sacrament & 11:30 am SAY Mass at St. Agnes all parishioners are welcome to come down to the hall for Coffee Sunday. You will enjoy fellowship, refreshments and some baked goods!



To Everything there is a Season..... "a time to be healed"..... Please pray for the sick of our parish cluster

Rose O'Mara, Andrew Gaiswinkler, Colette Lavergne, Patrick Myers

"a time to die...."

Please remember in your prayers all of our deceased parishioners, especially and DeSimone, Mario Nagri, Ed Carriveau, Theresa Rozek, Shirley Britton. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

2017 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2017 Income Tax Receipts are now out for you to pick up. At St. Agnes you will find your receipts in the hall. At Blessed Sacrament you will find them at the back of the church. And if you did not pick up your offertory envelopes for 2018, they can be found with the income tax receipts.

> **LENT 2018 NOON NOUR** INTERDENOMINATIONAL SERVICES Christ Church, 80 Wellington St. W.

"A Closer Walk. A Journey into Spiritual Disciplines"

Every Thursday during Lent

Service 12:10 pm

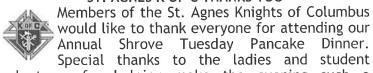
Lunch 12:35 pm

February 22 Rev. Linda McFadden

Dresden Community Church

The Discipline of Prayer: Lord, Teach us to Pray Everyone is welcome to attend. Free will offering Luncheon to help Outreach within the community.

ST. AGNES K OF C THANKS YOU



volunteers for helping make the evening such a success. Thank you so much and God Bless.

DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING FOR PEACE—FEB 23



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The love of a family flows strong and deep, Leaving us memories to treasure and keep! ENJOY FAMILY DAY!

FLOWERS FOR THE TABERNACLE 2018 BLESSED SACRAMENT & ST. AGNES PARISHES

If you would like to book Flowers on the Tabernacle for either parish please fill out the box below. Place your request and \$20 in an envelope marked "Flowers for the Tabernacle" and drop in the offertory basket or drop off at the office. Here are some dates available: St. Agnes: Apr 15; June 3,10; July 1,22,29; Aug 5,12,19; Sept 9,16; Oct 7,14,28; Nov 25; Dec 2,16. Blessed Sacrament: Apr 8,15,22; Aug 12; Sept 2,9; Oct 14; Dec 2,9.

| Date requested for 2018 |
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| Easter Mother's Day Father's Day Thanksgiving |
| Name: Phone: |
| In memory ofOR On the occasion of |
| Blessed Sacrament Church St. Agnes Church \$20 |

CHATHAM CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC

Save the date:

Sunday, July 15, 2018 ~~ 1:00-6:00 pm ~ Kingston Park Fun for the entire family! Water Park, games and entertainment. hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages, French

fries and more. Join us for the group photo at 4:00 pm. Come out and have some fun and mingle with many other members of our Catholic Family of Parishes. Questions, call Deacon Steve Cartier at 519-359-3814.

FORMED



This is the gift all of our parishioners were given at Christmas. FORMED is FORMED an online platform, providing access Free Catholic: Who house of the best Catholic audio talks, movies, ebooks and video based studies for the whole family. Go to

formed.org to register today. Enter the Parish access code PX3ZJV. You will be asked to enter your email and create a password.

THE CATHOLIC REGISTER

The parish will no longer make available The Catholic Register (after Feb 25) but The Catholic register is offering this special free 4 week Trial subscription. To contact The Catholic Register you can either call toll 1-855-441-4077 ext 404 email free or trialsub@catholicregister.org.

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS February 20-23

All 8:00 am Masses unless otherwise stated

Tuesday, February 20 ~ St. Agnes
Jeananne Sheeler ~ Mary Jane Ripley ~ Shirley Johnston
Wednesday, February 21 ~ Blessed Sacrament
Aline Udvari ~ John Mikush ~ Vitek & Kusalik Families
Thursday, February 22 ~ St. Agnes
Daniel Martins ~ Mary Jane Ripley ~ Peter Verbruggen
Friday, February 23 ~ Blessed Sacrament
Evelyn Reaume ~ Pauline Peirone ~ Vincent Goudreau

READINGS: February 25: Genesis 22: 1-2,9-13,15-18. Romans 8: 31b-35,37. Mark 9: 2-10.

REGULAR OFFERTORY February 11

| Blessed Sacrament PAD | \$4,962.00 \$6,765.00 |
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| St. Agnes | \$2,460.00 \$6,653.50 |
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| Feb 18 Feb 19 | SAVE THE DATE SAY YES Masses & Coffee Sunday Family Day ~ Office Closed BS CWL Cards |
| Feb 20 Feb 21 | After School Catechesis at SA Confirmation Retreat at BS 9:00 am SA K of C Exec Mtg |
| Feb 22 Feb 23 Feb 27 Feb 28 | Town Hall Meeting 6:30 pm at S&L (SJ) Stations of the Cross (SA) 7:00 pm Gr 8 Confirmation Class & rehearsal at BS BS St. Vincent de Paul meeting 8:30 am |
| Mar 1 Mar 2 | BS CWL Exec. Meeting (6:30 pm) First Friday Adoration & Benediction Stations of the Cross (SA) 7:00 pm |
| Mar 3 | First Holy Communion Retreat (BS) H |
| Mar 3/4 | Confirmation at all Parishes |
| Mar 4 | Confessions for the Deaf (SA) 2:30 pm Mass for the Deaf (SA) 4:00 pm |
| Mar 5 | BS CWL Cards Vocations Committee Meeting (6:30 pm) |
| Mar 6 | After School Catechesis (SA) |
| Mar 7 | SA K of C General Meeting |
| Mar 8 | Town Hall Meeting 6:30 pm at S&L (SJ) |
| Mar 9 | BS K of C Fish Fry Stations of the Cross (SA) 7:00 pm |
| Mar 14 | K of C 4th Degree Dinner (BS) SA CWL General Meeting |

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

Communal Penance (SJ) 3:00 pm

BS K of C

Mar 15

Mar 18

Please keep in your prayers the following diocesan ministers: Deacon Jose Viveiros; Rev. Ross Bartley; Rev. Mark Poulin; Rev. Mark Maloney; Deacon Larry Lamphier; Mrs. Chrisandro Skipper, Campus Minister; Rev. Rodrigo Tagnines.

CANADIAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE (CCODP) SHARE LENT CAMPAIGN

CCODP is the development arm of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. It is through this campaign and your generosity that CCODP, on behalf of Catholics across Canada, contributes to projects that alleviate poverty in developing countries and offers educational opportunities to Catholics here at home. The theme of the 2018 campaign is "Together for Peace". It is about 'knocking down walls to build bridges' dialogue.

As your Bishop, I ask that you generously donate to the Share Lent Campaign in your parish in order that CCODP can continue to support projects that will better the lives of people in different parts of the world. This year, I also invite you to consider becoming a year-round contributor to the work of CCOPDP by pledging a monthly contribution. Those who wish to learn more about the 2018 campaign and Share Year-Round monthly giving can visit the CCODP website at www.devp.org and www.devp.org/shareyearround.

Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, C.S.B. Bishop of London



Thanks to money donated annually by Catholics during Share Lent, Development and Peace can support 170 partners and 202 projects in 36 countries around the world. There are many ways to be part of Share Lent.

Use the Solidarity Calendar with your family. You will find a copy included in this weeks bulletin.

Share Lent in the name of Peace - Feb 18

For this year's Share Lent, Development and Peace is encouraging us to come together for Peace! You will find many testimonials if you go on like to devp.org. During the first week, our search for peace takes up to Cambodia to meet ICSO, a Development and Peace partner that works with minority indigenous communities to help them have their rights recognized by the government, defend their land against corporate interests, and develop sustainable economic activities that enable them to live with dignity.

SUNDAY FRIENDS ~ Please have your little ones join us on Sundays, 9:30 am Mass at Blessed Sacrament and 11:30 am Mass at St. Agnes. The children will be asked to come to front of the church and then be led down to the hall. Each week they will learn about the Sunday Gospel in terms for children to understand. All are welcome to join us!

St. Joseph and St. Ursula Parish



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Friday: 11:15 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. - St. Joseph Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. - St. Ursula

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First Sunday of Lent February 18, 2018

Desert time.

In the middle of winter, I must admit that thoughts of the desert are pretty appealing right now. But in Scripture, the desert isn't a welcoming place. Mark's description of the desert Jesus entered is characteristically succinct, but it clearly doesn't appear to be a place of hospitality. Wild beasts, Satan, loneliness—particularly in Jesus' day, the desert wilderness wasn't an exotic locale for *Survivor*-like reality shows, but a place of profound testing and challenge.

Many of us have experienced desert times. In a time of career discernment, we may feel unclear about our next move. In a time of serious illness, we may question our life's focus. In a relationship crisis, we may find our trust in a beloved companion to be shaken.

If we survive desert time, we often emerge changed, with a deeper sense of direction. We may even have a new focus or a new mission.

On coming out of his desert time, Jesus' initial words were urgent and focused: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." He emerged with a fervent commitment to spreading the news of God's kingdom.

This Lent, we're invited into the desert to reflect on how we most need God to shake us up, draw us away from sin, and call us into new ways of life. Jesus came out of the desert proclaiming the reign of God; as we come out of the desert at Easter, how will we be changed and ready to advance God's kingdom? How might we allow God's transforming grace to call us into a new mission?

Janel Esker/sundaybulletins@liguori.org

A prayerful Eucharistic community, rooted in Christ, welcoming all, joyfully celebrating our faith.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, February 20 12 noon - St. Joseph Church

- +Edna Charbonneau
- +Etienne Delage
- +Intentions of Janice Allin
- +Intentions of Mark & Cindy Lacina

Wednesday, February 21 9:30 a.m. - St. Ursula Church

- +Antonio DeCola
- +Charles Badura
- +Intentions of Ben & Helen Burchat
- +Agnes McAlorum

Thursday, February 22 9:30 a.m. - St. Ursula Church

- +Cathy Gleason
- +Joanne Moccia
- +Brenda Matteis
- +James O'Hara

Friday, February 23 12 noon - St. Joseph Church

- +Benedetto Amato (Ann)
- +Maria Peltier
- +Elsie Verbruggen
- +Helayne Rivard

All weekend Mass Intentions are for those of our parish community.



Let us pray for the sick of our parish ...

Larry De Smit, Lisa-Rae Desnoyers, Olivia Formosa, Jerome Lozon, Luigi Magliaro, Genesio Matteis, Ralph Mays, Paul McLaughlin, Bernard Myers, Gerald Myers, Carlo Rota, Martin Van Raav and Genny Wrotkowska.

Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you.

Isaiah 41:10

WELCOME

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

St. Joseph



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12 noon.

If you have any gently used items to donate, they will gladly accept them on Sunday, February 18 from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. and Friday, March 2 from 1 - 3 p.m. Please no mattresses or TV's.

Table rentals are \$25 each or two for \$40. Please call Beth Lachine at 519-352-7479.

Harwich

March Money Madness Draw Saturday, March 3

> 1st Prize: \$600 2nd Prize: \$250 3rd Prize: \$150

Tickets are \$2 for one or three for \$5 For tickets please call Pam Sojczynski at 519-354-1314 or Mary Clare at 519-352-9411.

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VISITING THE SICK

If you or a loved one is in the hospital, please remember that due to confidentiality the parish is not notified of your admittance.

If you would like a visit please call the parish office at 519-352-8530 to let us know and we can arrange a visit.

Now faith is the substance hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1

LENTEN NOON HOUR SERVICES

Fifty-eighth
Annual Lenten Noon Hour Services
Christ Church
80 Wellington St W
Office 519-352-1640
churchoffice@christchurchchatham.ca
"A Closer Walk. A Journey into
Spiritual Disciplines"

Every Thursday During Lent Service 12:10 p.m. Lunch 12:35 p.m.

February 22

Rev. Linda McFadden Dresden Community Church Topic: The Discipline of Prayer -"Lord, teach us to pray."

March 1

Rev. Terry McNear Interim Rector St. James Anglican Church Wallaceburg Topic: The Discipline of Fasting -"Fasting is feasting."

March 8

Rev. Albert Lambkin
First Baptist Church of Chatham
Topic: The Discipline of Study "Study to equip for every good
work."

March 15

Rev. Mark Sceviour
Assistant Curate of Anglican Churches
of Chatham
Topic: The Discipline of Solitude "Alone with God."

March 22

Rev. John Maroney
Parish of the Transfiguration
Topic: The Discipline of Submission "The Cross Life."

March 29

Rev. Mike Maroney
First Presbyterian Church of Chatham
Topic: The Discipline of Service "The Towel Life."

Free will offering to help outreach within our community. Everyone is welcome to attend these interdenominational Community Services. Christ Church is located downtown directly adjacent to the bus stop.

DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING

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St. Agnes - 3 - 6 p.m.

St. Ursula - 6 - 9 p.m.

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Acts 3:19

CHURCH CHUCKLE

I'M Done With Winter!



Next Season Please.

UPCOMING EVENTS

What

Fitness - All are welcome!
Town Hall Meeting

When

Tuesday, February 20 Thursday, February 22

Where

Spirit and Life Centre Spirit and Life Centre

<u>Time</u>

6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.

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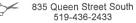
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