

Main Offices & Hours

Main Offices of Blessed Sacrament and St. Agnes Parish Cluster

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Office Hours

Monday 8:00AM - 12:00PM and 1PM - 5PM

Tuesday - Friday 8:00AM - 5:00PM

Main Offices of St. Joseph and St. Ursula Parish Cluster

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Phone: 519-352-8530, Fax: 519-352-9680

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30AM - 4:30PM

Closed each day from 12 - 1pm for lunch

St. Joseph and St. Ursula Parish



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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - St. Ursula
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11 a.m. - St. Joseph
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. - St. Ursula

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Friday: 12 noon - St. Joseph
Wednesday & Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - St. Ursula

BAPTISM

Celebrated during Saturday or Sunday Eucharist
Two months notice & preparation course is required

CONFIRMATION

March 3/4 - Blessed Sacrament & St. Agnes
March 3/4 - St. Joseph & St. Ursula

RECONCILIATION

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

MARRIAGE

One year notice & preparation course is required

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Fr. Jim Higgins
Associate Pastor: Fr. Don Pumputis
Permanent Deacons:
Deacon Steve Cartier
Deacon Jerry Lozon
Deacon Chris Masterson
Deacon Morgan Treacy
Pastoral Minister: Colleen Keane
Pastoral Minister: Karen Robert
Coordinator of Youth Ministry: Mike McPherson
Parish Catechist - Ali Chinnick

PARISH STAFF

Secretary: Maureen Foster
Financial Secretary: Mardie Lessard
Building Superintendent: Michael Bechard - St. Joseph
Custodian: Luc Beaupré - St. Ursula

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - noon and 1:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 11, 2018

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Thursday

Mass at St. Joseph Church and
St. Agnes Church at 7 p.m.
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
until 10 p.m. at both sites

Hour of Prayer in the Chapel at St. Joseph Church
from 10 - 11 p.m.

Good Friday

Service at St. Joseph Church at 11 a.m.

Services at Blessed Sacrament, St. Agnes,
St. Joseph and St. Ursula Church at 3 p.m.

Holy Saturday

Blessing of the Food at St. Ursula Church at 11 a.m.

Easter Vigil

Mass at Blessed Sacrament and
St. Joseph Church at 8 p.m.

Easter Sunday

Mass at 8 and 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Church
9:30 a.m. at St. Ursula Church
9:30 and 11:30 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church
11:30 a.m. at St. Agnes

**Please note there will not
be a 7 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday**

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, March 13

12 noon - St. Joseph Church

+Sandra Pinsonneault
+Francis Quennville
+Jose Urbano & Maria Morais
+Michele & Maria Magliaro

Wednesday, March 14

9:30 a.m. - St. Ursula Church

+Mariano Petruzzi
+Albino & Maria Gorge
+Adelino & Maria Branco
+Intentions of Gerald McCrae

Thursday, March 15

9:30 a.m. - St. Ursula Church

+Catello & Vinzenza Ruggiero
+James O'Hara
+Intentions of Jim & Edith Lane
+Parmira Cimpia

Friday, March 16

12 noon - St. Joseph Church

+Steve & Judy Lucyk
+Elsie Verbruggen
+Intentions of Janice Allin
+Helayne Rivard



**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 Raay
and Genny Wrotkowska.

Adoration and Benediction will
take place at St. Ursula Church
on **Wednesday, March 14**.
Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament begins after 9:30 a.m.
Mass and ends with **Benediction at 4
p.m.** Please note the time change of
Benediction.



*Eucharistic Adoration: It consoles the
soul far beyond what the world can
offer.* St. Alphonsus Ligouri

ROSARY RALLY



The next rally will take
place on Sunday, March 11
at Our Lady of Victory
Church from 3 - 4 p.m.
(inside if inclement weather). Bring
your family and friends - all ages. Any
questions, call Liz 519-360-9594.

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betrayed by Judas; 3. Jesus condemned
to death by the Sanhedrin; 4. Jesus
denied by Peter; 5. Jesus judged by
Pilate; 6. Jesus flogged and crowned
with thorns; 7. Jesus carries his cross;
8. Jesus is helped by Simon of Cyrene;
9. Jesus encounters women of Jerusa-
lem; 10. Jesus is crucified; 11. Jesus
promises the kingdom to the good thief;
12. Jesus on the cross; 13. The mother
of Jesus and his disciple at the cross; 14.
Jesus is placed in the tomb.

The stations inspire us all to follow
Christ through suffering to peace.

Paul Turner

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

*A school of community leaders in
Peru: For the fourth week of Lent,
let's go to Peru and discover one of
Development and Peace's partners,
the Bartolomé de Las Casas Institute!
It runs the Hugo Echegaray leadership
school, where students strengthen
their capacity for dialogue, consensus,
participation, and consultation in or-
der to exercise ethical and responsible
civic leadership in their communities.*

The Solidarity Sunday collection will
be celebrated in all Canadian parishes
next week. We will appeal to your
generosity in support of our sisters and
brothers in the Global South who fight
every day for peace, human dignity,
and social justice.

***For God so loved the world that he
gave his only begotten Son, so that
everyone who believes in him may
not perish but have eternal life.***

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

St. Joseph Church
on Friday mornings at 11 a.m.
and
St. Agnes Church
on Friday evenings at 7 p.m.

GIFT CARD SALES

February 26 - March 4, 2018

St. Joseph

Total Sales: \$ 1,625.00
Estimated Profit: \$ 60.94

St. Ursula

Total Sales: \$ 1,725.00
Estimated Profit: \$ 64.69

OFFERTORY

March 4, 2018

St. Joseph

Regular Offertory: \$ 6,123.00
Christmas: \$ 70.00
Initial: \$ 5.00
Capital Projects: \$ 1,375.00
Total: \$ 7,573.00

St. Ursula

Regular Offertory: \$ 5,166.00
Initial: \$ 10.00
Christmas: \$ 5.00
Dev. & Peace: \$ 150.00
Capital Projects: \$ 550.00
Total: \$ 5,881.00

Thank you for your support!



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

St. Joseph City



St. Joseph City CWL is accepting orders for home-made butter tarts (no nuts). The cost is \$10 per dozen. The deadline for orders is March 17. You will be advised of pick up times when orders are placed. To place an order call Beth at 519-352-7479.

St. Ursula

The next General Meeting will take place on Monday, March 19 at 7 p.m. in the Meeting Room (St. Ursula Site). The guest speaker will be Penny Liddy. New members are all welcome!

SUNDAY FRIENDS



There will be no Sunday Friends at St. Joseph on of March 11 and March 18. Sunday Friends will return Sunday, March 25.

CELEBRATION OF LEGACY

You are invited to a Celebration of Legacy of the St. Joseph's Health Care Society of the Roman Catholic Diocese of London at the Chatham-Kent Health Alliance - Chatham on March 19 at 1 p.m. Mass will be in the Chapel with Fr. Ray Lawhead followed by cake and refreshments at 2 p.m. at Café Grand.

Please RSVP to Fernanda Estoesta at festoesta@ckha.on.ca or by calling 519-352-6401 ext. 6646.

Since 1993, St. Joseph Health Care Society - through the hands of the Sisters of St. Joseph - helped carry the tradition of caring and compassion to exemplify their approach to care through their long and honoured history. This special event honours the Sisters, the Society and the staff, physicians and volunteers who worked in this tradition for their service at CKHA.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

St. Ursula



St. Ursula K of C will be holding a breakfast on Sunday, March 18 in the Meeting Room (St. Ursula Site). Breakfast will be served between **9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.** The cost is \$7 for adults, \$5 for children under 12 years of age and \$20 for a family (immediate family only).

St. Ursula K of C Council #9551 Perch Dinner

Good Friday, March 30
Meeting Room (St. Ursula Site)
4 - 6:30 p.m.

Prices are \$18 for adults, \$7 for children 7 - 12 years old and children under age 7 free.

Dinner includes: Lake Erie perch, baked potato, brown beans, coleslaw, bun, coffee, tea and juice.

Take out is available.
Proceeds to K of C local charities.



St. Joseph K of C Council #10436 Perch or Pickerel Fish Fry

Good Friday, March 30
Spirit and Life Centre
begins at 4 p.m.

Serving fish, coleslaw, bun
and all the fix'ins.

Adults: \$20 per person
Children (7 to 12 years): \$10
6 years and under free



Take out orders available.
Phone 519-354-0091
during the fish fry.

PRAYER CHAIN

We have people who want to pray for whatever request comes to them. If you need prayers, please contact Maureen at the parish office (519-352-8530).

FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS

Due to the upcoming change in Mass times beginning after Easter, we will be having two opportunities for you to sign up for your child's First Holy Communion. Regardless of which of the parishes you attend, you may come to either meeting. If you are away during the March Break and cannot come, I will contact you the following week or you may send me an email at achinnick@dol.ca.

First Communion Mass Sign-up Meeting:

Sunday, March 11, 1:00 p.m.
in Blessed Sacrament Hall
or
Tuesday, March 13, 6:30 p.m.
in St. Ursula Meeting Room

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

The Communal Lenten Service will take place on Sunday, March 18 at 3 p.m. at St. Joseph Church.



All Day Confessions will take place on Wednesday, March 21 at the following times and locations:

Blessed Sacrament - 9 a.m. - noon
St. Joseph - noon - 3 p.m.
St. Agnes - 3 - 6 p.m.
St. Ursula - 6 - 9 p.m.

Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.

Acts 3:19

POINTS TO PONDER

Bifocals are God's way of saying, "Keep your chin up."

God does not ask your ability or your inability. He asks only your availability.

Always remember to forget the troubles that pass your way; but never forget the blessings that come each day.

UPCOMING EVENTS

What

Fitness - All are welcome!
St. Joseph & St. Ursula SVDP Meeting
Sunday Readings Reflection Group

When

Tuesday, March 13
Thursday, March 15
Thursday, March 15

Where

Spirit and Life Centre
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Time

6:30 p.m.
2 p.m.
7 p.m.

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

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Saturday: 7:00 pm ~ Blessed Sacrament
Sunday: 9:30 am ~ Blessed Sacrament
Sunday: 11:30 am ~ St. Agnes

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PASTORAL STAFF

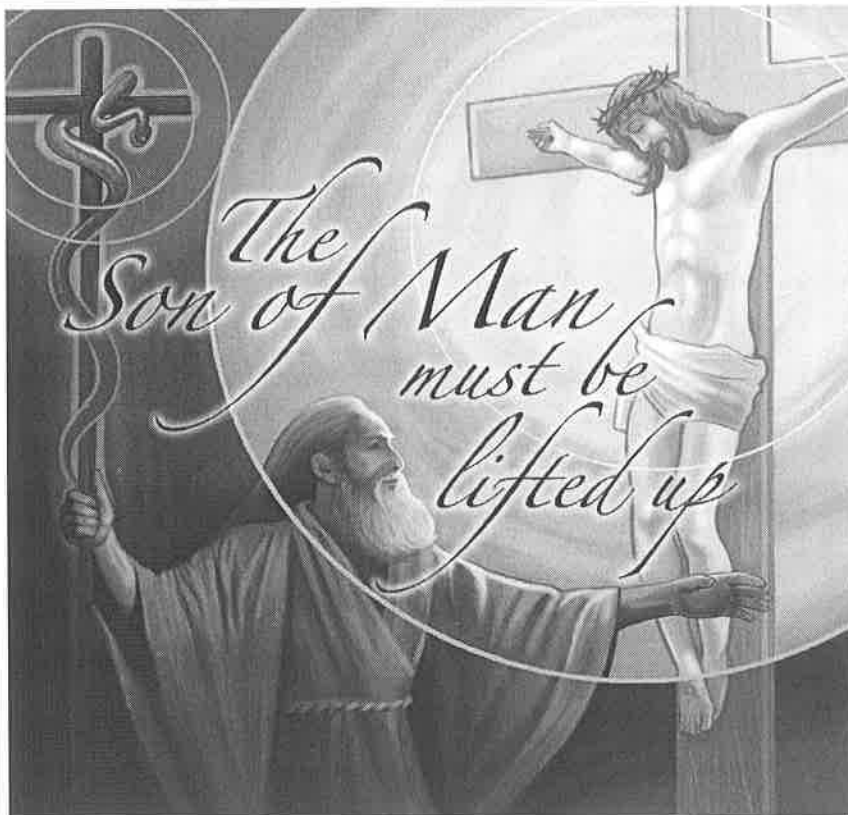
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Pastoral Minister ~ Karen Robert ~ Ext 27
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Deacon Chris Masterson
Deacon Morgan Treacy

SUPPORT STAFF

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Financial Secretary ~ Lynda Cadotte ~ Ext 21
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Blessed Sacrament Plant Supervisor ~ Brian Elgie

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Stations of the Cross
Friday, March 16
11:00 am at St. Joseph and
7:00 pm at St. Agnes



MARCH 11, 2018
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Blessed Sacrament Parish

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ST. AGNES SOUP KITCHEN THANKS YOU!

We would like to acknowledge and thank the donor of the gift cards to the St. Agnes soup kitchen. We are very grateful for this very kind and generous donation. God bless.

CWL NEWS

Catholic Women's League of Canada Bursaries



The Catholic Women's League of Canada is once again offering three bursaries for educational purposes, The London Diocesan Spiritual Advisors Bursary, the J. L. Hennessey Education Bursary and the National Bursary. The deadline for Diocesan Spiritual Advisors and J.L. Hennessey Education Bursaries is April 1. The CWL National Bursary form is due to the National office by May 31. Criteria and application forms are available at the Parish Office or the CWL website www.cwl.ca.

Blessed Sacrament CWL Bursary

The Blessed Sacrament CWL Bursary application form and guides are now available at the Parish Cluster office. This is open to any graduating Blessed Sacrament parishioner who will be continuing their education in College, University or a Trade School. Please return the completed application with all required documentation by May 20, 2018.

Blessed Sacrament CWL General Meeting

Just a reminder that the CWL General Meeting has been moved from March 8 to March 22. This is to give everyone the opportunity to attend the next Family of Parishes Town hall meeting. Bring a friend. Rosary at 6:30 pm. Meeting at 7:00 pm.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS

On Sunday, March 18 there will be **Communal Penance Service** at St. Joseph at 3:00 pm.

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Blessed Sacrament 9:00 am - 12 noon

St. Joseph 12 noon - 3:00 pm

St. Agnes 3:00 - 6:00 pm

St. Ursula 6:00 - 9:00 pm

(Please note: There will be no confessions at Blessed Sacrament on Holy Saturday.)

Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord. (Acts 3: 19)

UCC PRESENTS ANNIE!

This musical is taking place at Ursuline College "The Pines" in the Theatre from Wednesday, April 11 until Saturday, April 14 at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$20.

The Box Office is open Monday thru Friday from 2:30-5:30 pm (except during March Break and holidays). The Box Office is located at 85 Grand Avenue West, in the lobby of the Theatre. If you have any questions please call 519-351-2987 ext 25832.





*To Everything there is a Season.....
"a time to be healed".....*

Please pray for the sick of our parish family

Rose O'Mara, Andrew Gaiswinkler,
Colette Lavergne, Patrick Myers,
Gordon (Jim) Baillargeon,
Fr. Jack Devine

"a time to die...."

Please remember in your prayers all of our deceased relatives and parishioners, especially **Sr. Beata Gagnon; Larry Maillet**. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

LENT 2018 NOON HOUR 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

March 15 - Rev. Mark Seeviour, Anglican Churches in Chatham

The Discipline of Solitude - *"Alone with God"*

Everyone is welcome to attend. Free will offering Luncheon to help Outreach within the community.

BLESSED SACRAMENT K OF C FISH FRY



Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus will be hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, March 23rd. Dinner will be served in the church hall from 5:00 until 6:30 p.m. The meal includes a roll, baked potato, coleslaw, fish, and fruit, along with coffee, tea or juice. For those who are not fish lovers, a meal of baked macaroni and cheese will also be available at a cost of \$5.00 per person. Take-out will be available. The Knights will be selling tickets for the March 23rd Fish Fry after each Mass at Blessed Sacrament and St. Agnes Church the weekend of March 17/18. Tickets are available at the parish office on Croydon until March 21st. Perch or Pickerel Dinner - Adults \$16.00, Children 7 - 13 years \$7.00. Children under 6 free.

SOUP SAMPLER - MARCH 25

Come and savour the tastes of homemade soups at the St. Agnes Soup Kitchen's annual soup sampler on March 25th after the 11:30 am Mass. In the church hall we will be offering an assortment of soups for your tasting pleasure. The price is only your presence and a free will offering if you please. The proceeds will go to the St. Agnes Soup Kitchen.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We are sending out best wishes to Josephine Sullivan and Irene Maillet. Both of these ladies are turning 95 this month.

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: 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; Sept 9; Oct 14; Dec 2,9.

Date requested for 2018

Easter _____ Mother's Day _____
Father's Day _____ Thanksgiving _____

Name: _____
Phone: _____

In memory of _____ OR
On the occasion of _____

Blessed Sacrament Church _____
St. Agnes Church _____
\$20 _____

ST. AGNES ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



Thank you to all our generous parishioners who supported us through a very cold and snowy winter. During the months of January and February we were able to help 25 adults and 8 children. We were also able to make a generous donation to our St. Agnes Soup Kitchen. In April we have invited a representative from Hope Haven to attend our meeting. We will be making a donation to Hope Haven to help them as they continue to provide overnight shelter for homeless men in Chatham.

FIRST COMMUNION PARENTS



Due to the upcoming change in Mass times beginning after Easter, we will be having two opportunities for you to sign up for your child's First Holy Communion. Regardless of which of the parishes you attend, you may come to either meeting. If you are away during the March Break and cannot come, I will contact you the following week or you may send me an email at achinnick@dol.ca.

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Sunday, March 11, 1:00 p.m. in Blessed Sacrament Hall
Or
Tuesday, March 13, 6:30 p.m. in St. Ursula's Hall

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

March 13-16

All 8:00 am Masses unless otherwise stated

Tuesday, March 13 ~ St. Agnes

Daniel Martins ~ Gord Biskey ~ Grandbois family
~ Alma Sherwood

Wednesday, March 14 ~ Blessed Sacrament

Marcel Deturck ~ Peter Fox ~ Vincent Goudreau
~ Mary Boogaart

Thursday, March 15 ~ St. Agnes

Joao & Candida Neto & Asuncao Pulso ~
Mary Jane Ripley ~ Msgr. Sipio A. Salas ~
Mary Van De Wynckel

Friday, March 16 ~ Blessed Sacrament

Joe Thibault ~ Mary Boogaart ~ Michael Beuglet ~
Vincent Goudreau

READINGS: March 18: Jeremiah 31: 31-34. Hebrews 5: 7-9. John 12: 20-33.

REGULAR OFFERTORY

March 4

Blessed Sacrament \$5,310.00

St. Agnes \$2,562.70

SAVE THE DATE

Mar 14 K of C 4th Degree Dinner (BS)
SA CWL General Meeting
Mar 15 BS K of C
Mar 16 Stations of the Cross (SJ) 11:00 am
Stations of the Cross (SA) 7:00 pm
Mar 18 Communal Penance (SJ) 3:00 pm
Mar 19 BS CWL Cards
Mar 20 UCC Gr 12 Retreat (SA)
After School Catechesis (SA)
Mar 21 Day of Confessions
Mar 22 UCC Gr 12 Retreat (BS)
BS CWL General Meeting
Mar 23 BS K of C Fish Fry
Stations of the Cross (SJ) 11:00 am
Stations of the Cross (SA) 7:00 pm
Mar 25 Palm Sunday
Mar 28 BS St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 8:30 am
Mar 29 Holy Thursday-7:00 pm Mass at SA & SJ
Mar 30 Good Friday - 11:00 am Service (SJ)
3:00 pm Service at SJ, BS, SA, SU
Mar 31 Easter Vigil - 8:00 pm at BS & SJ
Apr 1 Easter Sunday - 9:30 & 11:30 at BS
11:30 am at SA
8:00 & 11:00 am at SJ, 9:30 am at SU
Apr 2 Office closed

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR



Please keep in your prayers the following diocesan ministers: Mrs. Joan Robinson, Pastoral worker; Rev. Gerard Bedard; Rev. Joseph Kannath; Mrs. Mary Heath, Pastoral Minister; Rev. Russell Shantz; Sister Magdalena Vogt, Pastoral Minister/Hospital Chaplain; Mrs. Mary Jean Horne, Pastoral Worker.

A PRAYER FOR LENT

Loving God,
During the sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.

Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayerful life.

Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well being of body and soul and remind me of the grace of simplicity.

Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in doing so, rediscover the grace of gratitude and generosity.

May this season be a grace filled time to rekindle my love for and faith in you.

Amen.



DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

A school of community leaders in Peru

For the fourth week of Lent, let's go to Peru and discover one of Development and Peace's partners, the Bartolomé de Las Casas Institute! It runs the Hugo Echegaray leadership school, where students strengthen their capacity for dialogue, consensus, participation, and consultation in order to exercise ethical and responsible civic leadership in their communities.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY OF BLESSED SACRAMENT



Twenty-one vouchers which supported 26 adults and 4 children were given out for the month of February for the purchase of food, clothing and furniture. This is possible through the generosity of Blessed Sacrament parishioners. Thank you!

Church Chuckle

A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?" One child answered, "Mary." The teacher then asked, "Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" A little kid said, "Verge." Confused, the teacher asked, "Where did you get that?" The kid said, "Well, you know they are always talking about Verge n' Mary."

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!

