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Tuesday-Friday: 8:00 am-5:00 pm

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205 Tweedsmuir Avenue

Mon-Fri:

8:30 am-12 noon - 1:00-4:30 pm

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SUNDAY MASSES

Blessed Sacrament Parish

Saturday 5:00 pm & Sunday 9:00 am

St. Agnes Parish

Sunday 11:00 am

St. Joseph Parish

Sunday 8:00 am and 12 noon

St. Ursula Parish

Sunday at 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 pm

at St. Ursula

Wednesday 8:00 am

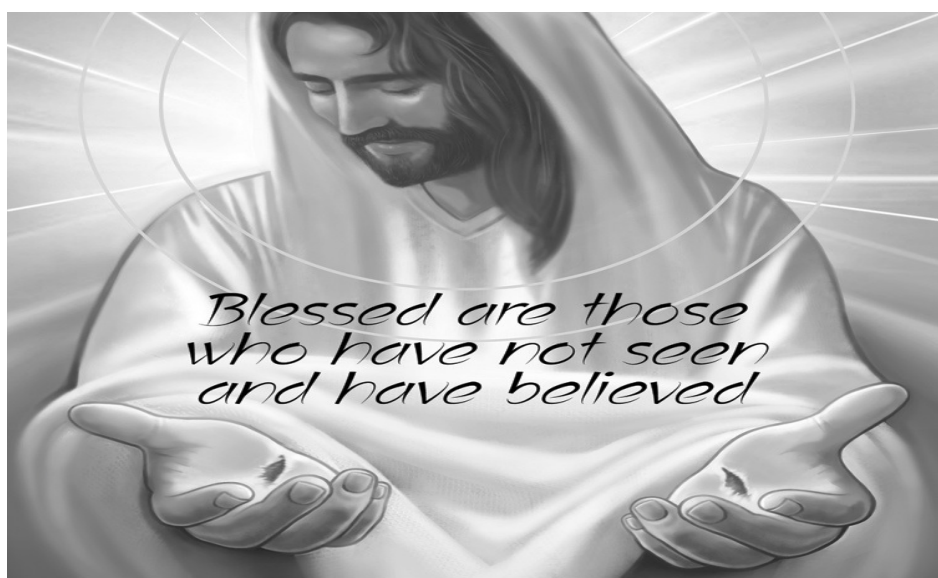
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Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

12 noon at St. Joseph

Friday 8:00 am

at Blessed Sacrament



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Readings for April 15, 2018

Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19. 1 John 2: 1-5. Luke 24: 25-48.

APRIL 8, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER



The Second Sunday of Easter is also called "Divine Mercy Sunday." When Pope John Paul II canonized St. Faustina in the jubilee year of 2000, he added the title to this day. In visions, Faustina heard Jesus request that the image of divine mercy be venerated on the Sunday after Easter, a day John Paul lovingly chose for Faustina's canonization.

Many communities display the image of Divine Mercy on this day. Jesus' penetrating, compassionate gaze reaches out to the viewer. Red and white rays emanate from his heart, symbols of blood and water—Eucharist and baptism. Many Catholics confess their sins or pray before the Blessed Sacrament in conjunction with this feast.

A priest may use the prayers from the votive Mass for Divine Mercy on any day when a stronger feast does not conflict. The Second Sunday of Easter has its own prayers and readings, so the votive Mass for Divine Mercy is never permitted on that day. Instead we observe the much older tradition of the octave day of Easter. The Gospel story of the doubting Thomas is heard every year on this day because Jesus appeared to him a week after the resurrection. The other texts for this Mass refer to the season and to baptism. This day used to be called *Dominica in albis*, the Sunday of white garments, because those baptized at the Easter Vigil wore their new vesture to conclude a week of catechesis about the sacraments.

Today the only change to this liturgy is its title: the Second Sunday of Easter, or Divine Mercy Sunday. The mercy of God may be proclaimed in the homily or the prayer of the faithful, but especially in the actions of believers, who extend God's mercy to all they meet.

Paul Turner

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You are invited to join us for
Divine Mercy
St. Joseph Church
Sunday, April 8
3:00 pm

MINISTRY HELP WANTED

We are just setting out on our maiden week of the new Mass times and it is an adventure. We are in need of assistance for this launch in the area of ministries and are looking for folks who are interested in serving at 12:00 noon Masses at St. Joseph Church. Roles needing additional support are Sacristans, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and people interested in leading us in praying the rosary before Mass.



Parishioners from any of the four parishes in our family are invited to help. Please call St. Ursula office at 519-352-8530 to add your name to the ministry list. We look forward to hearing from you!

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 p.m. Tickets are \$20. Tickets are available at UCC Theatre box office.



SUMMER CAMP

Many of you have seen the letters and news releases from Bishop Fabbro and are aware of the conditions put on Canada Summer Jobs programs for Youth Employment. For up to date information please visit this link <https://dol.ca/summer-jobs> on our Diocesan website.

What our government is demanding on the application prohibits us as Catholics both at the parish level and Diocesan level, from being able to make application for grants to hire and train the student leaders necessary to effectively and safely run the camps. We as a Pastoral Team have made the very difficult decision to cancel camp plans for this summer. This will include both the half day VBS camp and the REACH week long day camp. As Pastoral Team we have not given up on camps. We have just pushed the 'pause and re-think' button for summer camp 2018.

We invite you to seriously consider making application for your children to attend the St. Vincent de Paul Camp. There is opportunity to apply for financial assistance for SVDP camp. You can pick up information and applications at both parish offices.



**St. Joseph Harwich**

The next Harwich monthly meeting will be held on Monday, April 9 at 7 pm at the home of Donna Masterson (9508 Fairview Line). Penny Liddy will be giving a short presentation "Spring into Spring - The "New" You"! Members are asked to collect/donate new/gently used men's clothing/footwear and/or toiletry items.

Blessed Sacrament CWL

Please join us Thursday, April 12 for our General Meeting. The Youth Minister for our parish family, Mike McPherson will be joining us. He will be letting us know about all the upcoming plans for youth outreach for our family of parishes. He will be bringing his guitar and students who will be participating in some of the wonderful events this summer. All are welcome, bring a friend. Rosary will start at 6:30 p.m. with the meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m.

St. Ursula CWL

St. Ursula CWL General Meeting will take place on Monday, April 16 at 7 p.m. in the Meeting Room (St. Ursula Site). The CWL will be hosting Sue Hawkins of Clutter Busters, a Professional Home Organization Business. Come with questions!

Blessed Sacrament CWL Bursary

The Blessed Sacrament CWL Bursary application form and guides are now available at the office at 52 Croydon. 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.



*Love cannot remain by itself - it has no meaning.
Love has to be put into action
and that action is service.*

Saint Mother Teresa

**St. Ursula K of C Council Breakfast**

St. Ursula Knights of Columbus will be holding a breakfast on Sunday, April 15 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Meeting Room (St. Ursula Site). The cost is \$7 for adults, \$5 for children under 12 years of age and \$20 for a family (immediate family only).

ST. AGNES K OF C ROSARY

St. Agnes Knights of Columbus are inviting the parish community to come together to pray the rosary on the 5th Sunday, April 29. the rosary will be conducted following the 11:00 a.m. Mass that day.

VOCATIONS MINISTRY

We are in need of volunteers to help with an upcoming grade 4 retreat on April 25. This will involve working and supervising the children. For further information or to sign up, please contact Lori Arnold at 519-380-0098 or email loriarn@gmail.com.



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

Please pray for the sick of our parish family



Gordon (Jim) Baillargeon, Larry De Smit,
Lisa-Rae Desnoyers, Olivia Formosa,
Andrew Gaiswinkler, Maurice Laevens
Colette Lavergne, Jerome Lozon, Luigi
Magliaro, Genesio Matteis, Ralph Mays,
Paul McLaughlin, Bernard Myers, Patrick Myers,
Rose O'Mara, Jeanette Pake, Carlo Rota,
Deb St. Pierre, Martin Van Raay
and Genny Wrotkowska,
God, grant them your peace.

"a time to die...."

Please remember in your prayers all of our deceased relatives and parishioners, especially **Betty Adams, Sr. Mary Jean Klatt, Oscar Leclair, George Lernout, Carlos Morgado and Jeannette Reanud.**
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Function</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
April 9	Vocation Team Meeting	6:30 p.m.	St. Agnes
April 9	SJ Harwich CWL Meeting	7:00 p.m.	9508 Fairview Line
April 10	Fitness	6:30 p.m.	Spirit & Life Centre
April 11	SA CWL General Meeting	7:00 p.m.	Trinity Room
April 12	BS CWL General Meeting	6:30 p.m.	Blessed Sacrament Hall
April 12	Sunday Readings Reflection Group	7:00 p.m.	Spirit & Life Centre
April 12	SJ K of C General Meeting	7:30 p.m.	Spirit and Life Centre
April 15	SAY YES Masses and Coffee Sunday at BS and SA		

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Agnes Conference

March was a very busy month for volunteers. We helped 16 adults and four children with food vouchers. We provided one bag of groceries and we gave out store vouchers for \$120.00. As well, 26 Easter plants were delivered to the home bound in our parish. Thank you for your continued support.

Blessed Sacrament Conference

21 vouchers which supported 26 adults and four children were given out for the month of March for the purchase of food, clothing and furniture. We also delivered 35 Easter flowers to our home bound. This is possible through the generosity of Blessed Sacrament parishioners. Thank you.

MIGRANT WORKERS MINISTRY

The Migrant Workers Ministry will once again have Masses and Meals for the workers from June to September. We are in great need of men's clothing up to XL. Please drop off clothing donations to the Spirit and Life Centre on Friday morning between 9 a.m. - 12 noon or St. Ursula parish office. For more information, contact Geraldine at 519-380-0458.

OUTREACH FOR HNGER DRIVE



On Saturday/Sunday, April 14/15 we will have a food drive at St. Agnes and Blessed for Outreach for Hunger. Please give what you can, it is great appreciated.

Here is a list of the most need products: canned meat and fish, pork & beans, powdered milk, canned fruits & vegetables, dried fruits, macaroni dinners, canned stews, rice & pasta, cereals, peanut butter, baking products, spices, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, razors, feminine products, deodorants, baby powder and diapers.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL REGISTRATION

You still have time to register your child for Full Day Kindergarten in the Catholic elementary schools of the St. Clair Catholic District School Board for classes beginning in September 2018. Classes are available in either English program or French Immersion. Contact your nearest Catholic school for more information; or visit the Board website at www.st-clair.net.

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

Please keep in your prayers the following diocesan ministers: Ursuline Sisters of the Agonizing Heart of Jesus; Most Rev. Donald Theriault, Deacon Joseph Ryu; Rev. Leo Walsh, C.S.B.; Rev. Leonard Dejadins; Mrs. Virginia Eade, Pastoral Minister and Deacon Andrew Alway.



Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes

Mass Intentions

Week of April 10 - 13

Tuesday, April 10 ~ 12:00 noon ~ St. Joseph
~ Helayne Rivard ~ Ellie Levesque-Hendriks
~ Joanne Myers ~ Armanda Pires

Tuesday, April 10 ~ 7:00 pm ~ St. Ursula
~ Mariano Petrucci ~ Joanne Moccia
~ Johnny Mathia ~ Aruthur Formosa

Wednesday, April 11 ~ 8:00 am ~ St. Agnes
~ Celine French ~ Daniel Martins
~ Paul Huysmans ~ Sr. Margaret Ferris

Wednesday, April 11 ~ 12:00 noon ~ St. Joseph
~ Maria Dahl ~ Intentions of George Abel
~ Helayne Rivard ~ Aldrich Kovar

Thursday, April 12 ~ 12:00 noon ~ St. Joseph
~ Intentions of Rebecca Martin
~ Lynda Mae Raymond ~ Ed Carriveau
~ Intentions of Rosemary Zimmer

Thursday, April 12 ~ 7:00 pm ~ St. Ursula
~ Antonio Armerina
~ Gaston & Madeleine Schoupe & Family
~ Richard Read
~ Intentions of Jack & Stella Gleason

Friday, April 13 ~ 8:00 am ~ Blessed Sacrament
~ Joseph Giroux ~ Julius Laevens
~ Pauline Peirone ~ Stephen Ingram

Friday, April 13 ~ 12:00 noon ~ St. Joseph
~ Elsie Verbruggen ~ Florence Dawson
~ Michele & Maria Magliaro
~ Intentions of Brenda Leclair

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Congratulations to Betty Carruthers who will celebrate her 96th birthday on April 9.

FLOWERS ON THE TABERNACLE

The flowers on the tabernacle today at Blessed Sacrament Church are placed there to the glory of God by the people of the parish.



The flowers on the tabernacle today at St. Agnes Church are placed there to the glory of God in celebration of Betty Anne and Gerald Ouellette's 60th wedding anniversary.

OFFERTORY

April 1, 2018

Blessed Sacrament

Regular	\$ 4,546.00
Christmas	\$ 10.00
Good Friday	\$ 1,295.00
Share Lent	\$ 1,370.00
Easter	\$ 4,943.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 200.00
Capital	\$ 205.00
Total	\$12,569.00

St. Agnes

Regular	\$ 4,240.75
Initial	\$ 10.00
Good Friday	\$ 1,259.75
Share Lent	\$ 365.00
Easter	\$ 2,392.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 235.25
Capital	\$ 160.00
Total	\$ 8,662.75

St. Joseph

Regular	\$ 8,559.00
Initial	\$ 100.00
Good Friday	\$ 2,040.00
Easter	\$ 5,464.00
Restoration	\$ 1,094.00
Total	\$17,257.00

St. Ursula

Regular	\$ 3,470.00
Initial	\$ 5.00
Good Friday	\$ 711.00
Share Lent	\$ 440.00
Easter	\$ 3,146.00
Building Fund	\$ 147.00
Total	\$ 5,965.00

Thank you for your support!

SEMINARIAN FUNDRAISER

Saturday, May 12

5 p.m. Mass at St. Joseph Church

Celebrant: Fr. Patrick Beneteau

Two dinner seating's at the Spirit and Life Centre

5 p.m. and 6 p.m. (doors open at 4 p.m.)

Included: breaded perch, breads of the world & fries

Silent Auction, 50/50 draw and cash bar

Cost: \$15 per person

Tickets are available at the St. Ursula parish office.



BAPTISMS

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

MARRIAGE

One year notice & preparation course is required

CONFIRMATION

November 24/25, 2018 at all parishes

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday ~ 7:30 - 7:55 a.m. ~ St. Agnes

Thursday ~ 6 - 6:45 p.m. ~ St. Ursula

Friday ~ 11 - 11:45 a.m. ~ St. Joseph

Saturday ~ 11 a.m. - 12 noon ~ Blessed Sacrament

ADORATION

St. Ursula ~ Third Thursday of the month

9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament ~ First Friday of the month

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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CHURCK CHUCKLE

*My sister-in-law was teaching Sunday school class.
The topic for the day: Easter Sunday and the Resurrection of Christ.*

*"What did Jesus do on this day?" she asked. There was no response, so she gave her students a hint:
"It starts with the letter R."*

One boy blurted out, "Recycle!"

SUNDAY FRIENDS ~ Please have your little ones join us on Sundays, 9:00 am Mass at Blessed Sacrament, 11:00 am Mass at St. Agnes and 12:00 noon Mass at St. Joseph. The children will be asked to come to front of the church and then be led to their lesson. Each week they will learn about the Sunday Gospel in terms for children to understand. All are welcome to join us!

