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Ash Wednesday Masses

(February 26)

8:00 am at Blessed Sacrament

12:00 noon at St. Joseph

7:00 pm at St. Ursula

7:00 pm at Our Lady of Victory (Polish)

School Paraliturgies (February 26)

St. Ursula Church at 9:30 am

(Georges P. Vanier & St. Ursula Schools)

St. Agnes Church at 10:00 am

(St. Agnes & Our Lady of Fatima Schools)

Blessed Sacrament Church at 10:00 am

(St. Vincent & Monsignor Uyen Schools)

OR: Visit our website at www.ccfp.dol.ca and our Facebook page at https://facebook.com/bssasusj

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

Our Lady of Victory Parafia Matki Boskiej Zwycieskiej Sunday 9:30 am Sunday 11:00 am (Polish)

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday 8:00 am at Blessed Sacrament 12:00 noon at St. Joseph 7:00 pm at Our Lady of Victory (Polish)

> Thursday 8:00 am at St. Agnes 9:30 am at St. Ursula

Friday 8:00 am at Blessed Sacrament 12:00 noon at St. Joseph

Saturday 9:00 am at Our Lady of Victory

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Readings for February 23 Leviticus 19: 1-2, 17-18. 1 Corinthians 3: 16-23. Matthew 5: 38-48.

FEBRUARY 16, 2020 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FOR YOUR INFORMATION Sunday Worship and the Coronavirus

From Fr. Michael Bechard to all the parishes in the Diocese of London: Some questions have been asked regarding our preparedness for the Coronavirus. The local health authority in London has stated on their website that the risk to our area is very low. We will continue to monitor the situation and will issues directives if they are necessary.

Reception of Holy Communion under both signs and the Sign of Peace **should continue as normal**. To reduce the spread of germs including the flu and the novel coronavirus we recommend that you:

 Wash your hands often with soap and water, or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth unless you have just washed your hands.

- Cover your coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your arm, not your hand.

- Stay home if you are sick.

- If you're ill and must visit a healthcare provider, call ahead, or tell them right away when you arrive, that you have a respiratory illness and wear a mask while waiting to be seen.

- Avoid visiting people in hospitals or long-term care centres if you are sick.

- Get your flu shot.

For further information on our diocesan policy regarding the flu, please visit the diocesan website at www.dol.ca.

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2019 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Tax receipts are now available at all parishes (not at the offices). Please pick yours up before/after Mass to help save the cost of sending it out in the mail. If you have any questions regarding your income tax receipt for St. Joseph, St. Ursula or Our Lady of Victory please contact Barb or any question about income tax receipt for Blessed Sacrament or St. Agnes please call Lynda. They can be reached at 519-352-9483.



BULLETIN BOARDS

Please remember that if you would like something to appear on the bulletin boards at any of our Churches, halls etc. it must go through the parish office first. This includes any events happening within the parish.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	Implications of the new law
Reading I	Sirach 15: 15-20
	(our free will)
Reading II	1 Corinthians 2: 6-10
	(true wisdom)
Gospel	Matthew 5: 17-37
-	(the old Law and the new)

Key Passage Jesus said, "So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift." (Matthew 5: 23-24)

Adult: How do you reconcile with those who have offended or hurt you?

Child: When have you taken the first step to make up with someone who has hurt you or whom you have offended?

CAMP VINCENT HIRING

Camp Vincent is looking to hire an experienced maintenance person full time from March-November. Complete job description can be found at campvincent.com. Send resume to: presidentpcck@cogeco.net by February 25, 2020.

ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at St. Ursula Church on Tuesday, February 18 from 1:30 until 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.



Sow, sow God's word! Make good on the talents entrusted to you.

St. Catherine of Siena

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Peace begins with a smile! St. Teresa of Calcutta



FLOWERS FOR THE TABERNACLE

Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes Mass Intentions - February 17 - 22

Monday, Feb 17 - 8:00 am - Our Lady of Victory ~ Anna Babchenko ~ All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, Feb 18 - 8:00 am - St. Agnes ~ Jerry McDonnell ~ Joe Balango ~ Jose DeAscencao

Tuesday, Feb 18 - 7:00 pm - St. Ursula ~ Intentions of Leo & Clarita Litschko ~ Intentions of Dwayne & June Russell ~ Fr. Richard Saldanha (10 anniv)

Wednesday, Feb 19- 8:00 am - Blessed Sacrament ~ Trevo Wintjes ~ Marjorie Laevens ~ Sr. Pauline Le Blanc

Wednesday, Feb 19 - 12:00 noon - St. Joseph ~ Maurice Formosa ~ August Wytinck ~ Bishop John M. Sherlock

Wednesday, Feb 19 - 7:00 pm - Our Lady of Victory ~ People of the Parish

Thursday, Feb 20 - 8:00 am - St. Agnes ~ Jerry McDonnell ~ Norma Corrente ~ Trevor Wintjes

Thursday, Feb 20 - 9:30 am - St. Ursula ~ Intentions of Mike & Ann Murphy ~ Tyler Coleiro ~ Intentions of Mary Detailleaur

Friday, Feb 21 - 8:00 am - Blessed Sacrament ~ Denis Cazabon ~ Peter Verbruggen ~ Evelyn Reaume

Friday, Feb 21 - 12:00 noon - St. Joseph ~ Tom & Nancy Peseski ~ Elise Brady ~ Greg Dodok

Saturday, Feb 22 - 9:00 am - Our Lady of Victory ~ Cathy Gleason ~ Mary Lemire ~ Monique Rivard

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

Please remember to pray for these Diocesan ministers: Rev. Clare Coleman; Rev. Adriano Barbiero, C.S.; Deacon Jose Viveiros; Rev. Ross Bartley; Rev. Mark Poulin; Rev. Mark Maloney; Deacon Larry Lamphier.

> Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord!

Psalm 119

The flowers for the tabernacle today at Blessed Sacrament are placed there to the glory of God by Brian & Michelle Elgie & Ellen Labadie in memory of Doug Labadie.

The flowers for the tabernacle today at St. Agnes are placed there to the glory of God by the people of the parish.

The flowers for the tabernacle today at St. Joseph are placed there to the glory of God by the people of the parish.

The flowers for the tabernacle today at St. Ursula are placed there to the glory of God by Salvatore & Michelina Cresta on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.



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

Please pray for the sick of our parish family Dan Attewell, Gordon (Jim) Baillargeon, Eva Beausejour, Gary Benninger, Giselda Bocchino, Deb Carr, Betty Carruthers, Esther Chari, Larry De Smit, Lisa-Rae Desnoyers, Mario DeVito, Dario Dodich, Agatha Duff, Olivia Formosa, Fran Gazarek, Kathy Harkner, Marilyn Jarczak, Francis Kaufman, Lucianna Letourneau, Clarita Litschko, Robert Wemigwans Kelly, Bob Kornacker, Audrey Kraemer, Bill Lessard, Shirley Mailloux, Evelyn Marentette, Genesio Matteis, Emma Matteis, Jocelyn McGlynn, Mark McLaughlin, Nicholas Medeiros, Patrick Myers, Ruth Nagle, Gail Nicolai, Katherine Prout, Bill Reaume, Jen Rumble, Sandra Sonneveld, Verna Southgate and Genny Wrotkowska. God, grant them your peace.

"a time to die..."

Please remember in your prayers all deceased relatives and parishioners especially Antonia VanderLinden, Lydia DeLuca, Fran Foster, Marilyn O'Flynn and Doug Flook.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

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READINGS

Feb 17 James 1: 1-11. Mark 8: 11-13 Feb 18 James 1: 12-18. Mark 8: 14-21 Feb 19 James 1: 19-27. Mark 8: 22-26 Feb 20 James 2: 1-9. Mark 8: 27-33 Feb 21 James 2: 14-24, 26. Mark 8: 34-38; 9: 1 Feb 22 1 Peter 5: 1-4. Matthew 16: 13-19

BAPTISMS

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

MARRIAGE

One year notice & preparation course is required

CONFIRMATION 2020 date to be determined

RECONCILIATION

Monday - 7:30 to 7:55 am at Our Lady of Victory Tuesday - 6:00 to 6:45 pm at St. Ursula Wednesday - 11:00 to 11:45 am at St. Joseph Thursday - 7:30 to 7:55 am at St. Agnes Saturday - 11:00 am to 12 noon at Blessed Sacrament

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of sick will take place the First Friday of February & October at Blessed Sacrament Church and the third Tuesday of October and February at St. Ursula Church.

ADORATION (Oct - June)

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First Friday	8:30am-4:00pm	Blessed Sacrament
(Year round)	9:30pm-9:00am	Our Lady of Victory
2nd Wed	9:00am-11:30am	St. Joseph
3rd Tues	1:30-6:30pm	St. Ursula
4th Thurs	8:30am-noon	St. Agnes

COR - CHRIST IN OTHERS RETREAT

February 21-23 at St. Michael Church in Ridgetown COR is a weekend for youth from grade 9 to the age of 21. A COR weekend involves you in a new, exciting and challenging approach to your Catholic Faith and daily living. It is a combination of prayer, reflection, sharing, activities and fun! Young people who have made a COR weekend say that they will remember it for the rest of their lives. They have experienced an increase in faith and a renewed joy in their relationships with friends and family.

For more information or a paper application, please contact Ed & Tina Pumfrey at 519-692-9962 or by email at tinapumfrey@gmail.com.



PRAYER CHAIN

We have people who want to pray for whatever request comes to them. If you need prayers, please contact Maureen at 519-352-8530 or Michelle at 519-352-9483.

I call on you, my God, for you will answer me; turn your ear to me and hear my prayers.

Psalm 17:6

FLOWERS FOR THE TABERNACLE FOR CHATHAM CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

If you wish to remember a loved one in a special way, or are celebrating a special occasion, flowers on the tabernacle is a nice way of doing that. Pick any available Sunday date listed below, fill out the form and the office will let you know if that date is available. Special Sundays such as Easter, etc can have many names just like we did at Christmas. Mark your envelope 'Flowers' and which parish you wish the flowers to be at. Please include \$25. Please note there are no Tabernacle Flowers during Lent.

Dates left open for Blessed Sacrament:

April 5, 19, May 3, 17, 24, 31, June 7, July 26, August 9, 16, 23, September 6, 13, October 4, 18, November 8, 15, 21, 29, December 13, 27

Dates left open for St. Agnes:

February 23, April 5, 19, 26, May 3, 31, June 7, 28, July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, September 6, 13, 20, 27, October 4, 18, November 1, 8, 15, 22, December 6, 13, 20, 27.

Dates left open for St. Joseph:

February 23, April 19, 26, May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 21, 28, July 5, 19, 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, September 6, 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, December 6, 13, 20, 27

Dates left open for St. Ursula:

April 19, 26, May 17, 24, 31, June 7, 21, 28, July 5, 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, December 6, 13, 20, 27

Date of Flowers: _____

Easter (Apr 12) Mother's Day (May 10) Father's Day (June 21)				
Name: Phone:				
In memory of:	OR			
On the occasion of:				
Blessed Sacrament Church St. Agnes Church St. Joseph Church St. Ursula Church	-			
\$25 included				



ANNUAL FISH FRYS SAVE THE DATES

Join us at one or all of the Fish Frys that are being sponsored by our Knights of Columbus Councils

Friday, February 28 - St. Ursula

Friday, March 13 - St. Ursula Time: 5:00-7:00 pm. Cost is \$18 per person, Child 6-12 years - \$6, children under 6 free. Meal consists of Lake Erie Pickerel, baked potato, brown beans, bun, coleslaw, coffee, tea, juice. The Knights of Columbus help the needy and many other organizations. Please come and support them.

Friday, March 20 - Blessed Sacrament Friday, April 3 - Blessed Sacrament

(Information on cost to follow in upcoming bulletins) Let's support the Knights in this effort and observe the ferial days of Lent.

Watch for starting date of sale of tickets in upcoming bulletins.



MASS STREAMED ONLINE

Did you know that Mass is live-streamed every weekend in the Diocese of London? Courtesy of St. George Parish, London. Please go to Chatham Catholic Family Parishes of website (www.ccfp.dol.ca) and look in top right hand corner of home page for the Mass on line. You will find a link to the Youtube site. The Mass times are Saturday at 5 pm, Sunday at 7:30 am and 11 am. There is even an archive of past Masses, homilies, and special liturgical events. Online viewing is a great option for those who are unable to attend Mass in person due to illness, infirmity, travel, or any other reason. And if you know someone who is "interested" in the Catholic Church but not quite ready to make the leap, this may be an easy introduction.

THE EUCHARIST



DISCOVER GOD'S PLAN AS IT IS EXPRESSED THROUGH THE BIBLE AND THE MASS

In The Eucharist in Scripture DVD study you will discover God's plan as it is expressed through the Bible and the liturgy. This six -lesson study, presented by Dr. Scott Hahn, will

unlock the meaning of covenant, sacrifice and sacrament as understood in the Bible, from Genesis through Revelation.

> Join us for an inspiring Scripture Study Blessed Sacrament Hall 145 Victoria Ave, Chatham

> > Begins Wednesday, February 19 6:30 - 8:00 pm (It's not to late to register!)

Registration fee - \$25.00 If you are interested in taking part, please contact Colleen Keane at Phone: 519-352-8530 Email: ckeane@dol.ca

A Lenten Journey of Opportunity

ST. AGNES SCHOOL MEMORABILIA AND OPEN HOUSE SAVE THE DATE

Attention all former staff, students and families of St. Agnes Catholic School. The current families of St. Agnes school are preparing for an Open House to celebrate the many years of education in our community. We are in search of any memorabilia (pictures, newspaper clippings, yearbooks) that may be in the hands of former staff, students and families. If you have any items to share, please call the school at 519-354-0530. We look forward to seeing all of you at our BBQ and Open House on Sunday, June 7, 2020.

UPCOMING EVENTS							
Date	Function	Time	Location				
Feb 17	Blessed Sacrament CWL Cards	12:30 pm	Meeting Room - St. Ursula				
Feb 18	St. Joseph & St. Ursula SVDP Meeting	6:30 pm	Spirit and Life Centre				
Feb 18	St. Ursula K of C Executive Meeting	7:30 pm	Meeting Room - St. Ursula				
Feb 19	A Study of the Eucharist	6:30 pm	Hall - Blessed Sacrament				
Feb 20	Blessed Sacrament K of C General Meeting	7:30 pm	Hall - Blessed Sacrament				

28TH ANNUAL LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY Saturday, March 7 from 9:00 am - 5:30 pm

Jesus, Light of The World

Come and experience why thousands return each year...

- Compelling Speakers
- Powerful Christian Music
- Inspiring Personal Testimony
- Divine Mercy Celebration
- Eucharistic Procession
- Prayer Ministry for Healing & Empowerment

Keynote Speaker: Fr. James Mallon Speaker: Ralph Martin EMCEE: Msgr. Gregory Smith Mass with Cardinal Thomas Collins

Place: Metro Toronto Convention Centre Cost: Adult Rally \$25 / Youth Rally \$25 (Simultaneous YOUTH RALLY ages 13 - 18 in the John Basset Theatre, right next door.)

For more information visit www.ljhr.ca

If you are interested in possibly going, please contact Fr. Peter Amszej at pamszej@dol.ca or call him at 519-352-8530.



EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES ON OUR WEBSITE

Are you involved in one of the many ministries or committees in the Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes? Do you have an event or activity coming up and did you know you can have the event placed on our website? When you are sending information to Michelle or Maureen to have information put in the bulletin, request that it be put on the website as well. Simply include me (Cathy Zimmer - czimmer@dol.ca) in your email and request that it also be put on the website.



MESSAGE BOARD

Dear Family of Parishes,

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the recent food drives held at our parishes. As we continue to see an increase in the number of new families accessing our service it is a blessing to know we can count on your support.

May God bless you all as you continue in service to His people.

Sincerely, Brenda LeClair Executive Director Outreach for Hunger

To the parents of our young children, may we suggest.....

Rules? God put the wiggle in children. Don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome.

Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of other's heads.

Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priests, altar servers, choirs etc.

Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behaviour by copying you.

If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said, "Let the children come to me."

Remember that the way we welcome in church directly affects the way we respond to the Church, to God,

and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

To the members of our parish...

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our parish is growing.

Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.



CHURCH CHUCKLE





CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Looking to Borrow!

Patti Johnson is looking to borrow a few items to help decorate the hall for the upcoming CWL Convention Dinner. She is looking for 2 empty whiskey barrels, 3-4 strings of Edison bulb patio lights,



unused clothes line and any crystal wine glasses or drink glasses. These will all be returned to you after it is done. If you can help her out by lending any of these items, please call Patti at 519-359-9528.



RIGHT TO LIFE KENT

Right to Life Kent invites all persons to join them on Saturday, March 28 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm in Blessed Sacrament Hall for a FREE information session. You will learn about the challenges of facing an unplanned pregnancy and how to respond when someone shares their abortion story with you. Learn how to listen and respond with love and compassion. Discover how you can walk alongside someone toward life, healing and restoration. This seminar is especially appropriate for those who may be a first contact for women in an unplanned pregnancy such as Priests. Deacons, Pastors, teachers, guidance counselors, youth leaders and parents, but will be a learning opportunity for all. The Instructor is Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton; Director of Birthright and Director of Project Rachel in Hamilton. Please RSVP 519-352-3611.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS



ST. URSULA BREAKFAST

St. Ursula Knights of Columbus will be holding a breakfast Sunday, February 16 from 9:30 - 11:30 am 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. Ursula Council 9551 Knights Newsletter is at the entrance of the church. Please take a copy if you did not receive one by email.

ST. AGNES K OF C PANCAKE DINNER



The St. Agnes Knights of Columbus will be hosting Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on Tuesday, February 25 from 4:30 - 7:00 pm in St. Agnes Hall. The price is \$7 for adults and children 6 and

under are free. Dinner includes pancakes, sausage, fruit cocktail and beverages. There are no tickets for this dinner, you pay at the door.



SAY YES MASS

Everyone is invited down to the hall after 9:00 am YES Mass at Blessed Sacrament and after 11:00 am SAY Mass at St. Agnes today for coffee, cookies and fellowship. Please join us there!





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