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We will continue to live stream Masses each Sunday and Thursday at 9 am on our YouTube channel. Visit the parish website (www.ccfp.dol.ca) and click on the link provided or you can go to youtube.com and search Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes.



Next live streamed Masses:
Thursday, April 29 at 9 am
Sunday, May 2 at 9 am



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Readings for May 2

Acts 9: 26-31. 1 John 3: 18-24.
John 15: 1-8.

APRIL 25, 2021
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

DEACON'S PEN

Jesus the Good Shepherd

Jesus, and those listening to him, were well aware of the importance of shepherds in their rural setting. He knew what shepherding meant in the history of the Israelites. The Israelites were given many shepherds throughout their history to lead them to freedom through the Red Sea and to the promised land.

Shepherding is about caring for those who are weak, lost and in need. It's about being present, loving and supporting. Shepherds are needed as much today as they were in Jesus time, to love people and guide them to a greater life.

In order to become real shepherds who lead others, we have to first learn to be good followers. Jesus listened to his Father and obeyed Him before revealing to us what to do. To be good parents, don't we have to be good sons and daughters? Can we teach others if we have not learned from others? How can we love if we have not been loved?

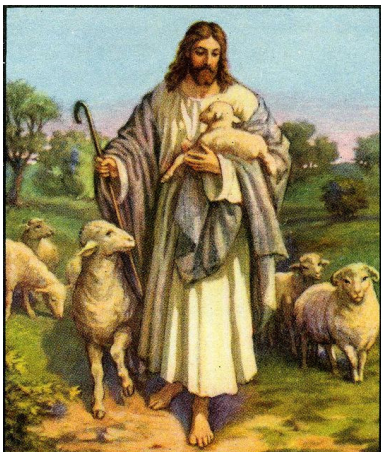
Some people have not experienced the care of others. Their parents hurt them, abused them and did not help them to grow up to be responsible, loving parents themselves.

Jesus, the Good shepherd, calls us to become good shepherds, to mature spiritually, to help others in need and to look for those who are lost or oppressed and pushed to the margins of society.

There are also false shepherds who are more concerned about their salary, reputation, administration, etc. than about people and their inner growth. They need to have power and control over people and to prove that they are the boss. They are hard on weaker people and lack compassion. They do not listen to the needs of the people as they are closed up in their own needs.

What kind of shepherd are you - a good one or a false one?

Deacon Jerry Lozon



UPDATE FROM BISHOP FABBRO

Please note that as of January 29, Bishop Fabbro extended the dispensation from the Sunday obligation until the end of the Easter Season; that is, up to and including Pentecost Sunday (May 23).

Beginning Monday, April 19: for the duration of the Stay-at-Home order, all churches will be closed. All activities, including Mass, are cancelled.



WELCOME

It is with great joy that we welcome visitors and new parishioners to our parish family!

New parishioners please visit our parish website, ccfp.dol.ca and look under the "I'm New" tab. Or call the parish office (519-352-8530 or 519-352-9483) and we can arrange for you to obtain one of our registration forms.

*Remember to welcome strangers
in your homes.*

Hebrews 13: 2

PARISHIONER DATABASE—HAVE YOU MOVED OR CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER?

We are continually updating our parishioner database and often people forget to update the church when they are notifying others of their new address. Please let us know if you have moved or changed your email address or if you have cancelled your home phone and only use your cell phone. You can email Cathy Zimmer at czimmer@dol.ca or call the office at 519-352-9483 or 519-352-8530. We only send mail 2 or 3 times a year and we NEVER share information from our database. We also can't send your tax receipt without an updated address. We sometimes send email updates for important information and you can sign up for that on our website. If you are NEW to our parish, WELCOME! Kindly fill out the parish registration form found at www.ccfp.dol.ca (click on I'M NEW/Join Our Family).

E-BULLETIN

Are you interested in receiving the bulletin by email. If so, contact Maureen at the parish office at 519-352-8530 or 519-352-9483 or by email at mfooster@dol.ca or you can view it on the Family of Parishes website at www.ccfp.dol.ca.

**Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes
Weekday Mass Intentions - April 26 - May 1**

*Please note since our Churches are closed
due to the covid-19 pandemic,
these Mass Intentions will be celebrated
privately on the specified date by our priests.*

Monday, April 26 - Our Lady of Victory intentions
~ Frank Vajdik (1st Anniv)

Tuesday, April 27- St. Agnes intentions
~ Intentions of those suffering from the storm
disaster in Texas
~ In honour the Virgin Mary
~ Manuel Soares

Tuesday, April 27 - St. Ursula intentions
~ Intentions of Stella Gleason
~ Tony Nugent
~ Lionel Richie

Wednesday, April 28 - Blessed Sacrament intentions
~ People of the parish

Wednesday, April 28 - St. Joseph intentions
~ Natalia Dias

Wednesday, Apr 28 - Our Lady of Victory intentions
~ Intentions of Henry J. Wrotkowski
~ Intentions of B.W. Debicki and Family
~ Alfred Kaminski

Thursday, April 29 - St. Agnes intentions
~ Intentions of the Puzzer Family
~ Douglas & Martha Lloyd
~ Lucy Possante

Thursday, April 29 - St. Ursula intentions
~ Mary Ann Nargi-Follo
~ Jenny Farraro
~ Paul & Dina Belsito

Friday, April 30 - Blessed Sacrament intentions
~ People of the parish

Friday, April 30 - St. Joseph intentions
~ João Vilaranda
~ Avelino José Ventura

Saturday, May 1 - Our Lady of Victory intentions
~ People of the parish

***To Everything there is a season...
“a time to be healed...”***

Please pray for those who are currently sick in our parish family especially Wayne Lachine and Eva Beausejour.

“a time to die...”

Please remember in your prayers all deceased relatives and parishioners especially King Terry, Frank Mitivier and Lisa DeCook.

Eternal rest grant unto thee.

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

Please remember to pray for these Diocesan ministers: Mr. Juan Carlos Giraldo, Sacramental Coordinator; Rev. Matthew Kucharski; Deacon Dennis Kosokowsky; Rev. Christian Amogu; Rev. Peter Keller; Rev. Benjamin Huyge; Rev. Jan Burcyk, C.S.M.A.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Apr 26 Acts 11: 1-18. John 10: 1-10.
Apr 27 Acts 11: 19-26. John 10: 22-30.
Apr 28 Acts 12: 24 - 13: 5a. John 12: 44-50.
Apr 29 Acts 13: 13-25. John 13: 16-20.
Apr 30 Acts 13: 26-33. John 14: 1-6.
May 1 Acts 13: 44-52. John 14: 7-14.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Called to be shepherds**

Reading I Acts 4: 4-12 (the stone that has become the cornerstone)

Reading II 1 John 3: 1-2 (recognizing the Son)

Gospel John 10: 11-18 (the Good Shepherd)

Key Passage: Jesus said, “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.” (John 10: 11)

Adult: Whom are you shepherding in your life right now and who shepherds you?

Child: Who has been like shepherd to you by their example? For whom could you be a shepherd?



Congratulations to Donald & Rowena Smith who celebrated their 67th wedding anniversary on April 24.

MARCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Mar-21	Current March 2021	YTD March 2021	YTD March 2020
Mar-21			
St Joseph			
Operating Revenue	22,185.08	61,620.36	71,352.45
Capital Revenue	1,694.47	6,334.90	19,661.84
TOTAL INCOME	23,879.55	67,955.26	91,014.29
Operating Expenses	20,294.49	81,581.39	108,023.07
Capital Expenses	1,500.00	1,543.25	18,054.24
TOTAL EXPENSES	21,794.49	83,124.64	126,077.31
NET INCOME	2,085.06	-15,169.38	-35,063.02
Loan Fund Deposit		284,092.45	507,561.52
CEWS DEPOSIT	3,286.58	11,504.86	Included in Totals
<i>(Emergency Wage Subsidy)</i>			
St Ursula			
Operating Revenue	18,816.70	54,538.07	52,049.10
Capital Revenue	5,456.25	9,358.75	11,671.25
TOTAL INCOME	24,272.95	63,896.82	63,720.35
Operating Expenses	18,196.63	64,104.18	68,948.94
Capital Expenses	9,350.00	9,393.25	11,995.85
TOTAL EXPENSES	27,546.63	73,497.43	80,944.79
NET INCOME	-3,273.68	-9,600.61	-17,224.44
Loan Fund Deposit		346,155.48	339,316.44
CEWS DEPOSIT	4200.51	13776.88	Included in Totals
<i>(Emergency Wage Subsidy)</i>			
Mar-21			
Blessed Sacrament			
**Operating Revenue	32,441.23	79,763.61	66,671.98
Capital Revenue	588.34	1,180.05	1,942.72
TOTAL INCOME	33,029.57	80,943.66	68,614.70
Operating Expenses	25,552.85	73,273.08	88,767.83
Capital Expenses	28,323.21	28,323.21	380.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	53,876.06	101,596.29	89,147.83
* NET INCOME (LOSS)	-20,846.49	-20,652.63	-20,533.13
* Chequing & Mass Accounts			
** Incl. CEWS	4,676.23	15,249.01	
Loan Fund Deposit		177,680.97	120,514.48
St Agnes			
**Operating Revenue (*)	21,393.46	69,215.48	106,145.35
Capital Revenue	641.87	846.51	1,367.90
TOTAL INCOME	22,035.33	70,061.99	107,513.25
Operating Expenses	29,691.74	82,353.00	86,016.07
Capital Expenses	0.00	0.00	382.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	29,691.74	82,353.00	86,398.07
* NET INCOME (LOSS)	-7,656.41	-12,291.01	21,115.18
* Chequing, Mass, Soup Kitchen & Refugee Accounts			
**Incl CEWS	3,907.18	12,436.07	
Loan Fund Deposit		72,865.40	71,289.07
Revised Apr 16, 2021			

MARCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT CONTINUED

Mar-21			
	Current March 2021	YTD March 2021	YTD March 2020
<u>Our Lady of Victory</u>			
Operating Revenue	5,350.00	9,105.00	17,403.35
Capital Revenue	<u>113.11</u>	<u>624.40</u>	<u>907.32</u>
TOTAL INCOME	5,463.11	9,729.40	18,310.67
Operating Expenses	3,660.29	20,384.00	20,046.83
Capital Expenses	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,660.29	20,384.00	20,046.83
NET INCOME	<u>1,802.82</u>	<u>-10,654.60</u>	<u>-1,736.16</u>
Loan Fund Deposit		57,466.43	56,331.06

BLESSED SACRAMENT CWL BURSARY

The Blessed Sacrament Catholic Women's League will be awarding a \$500 Bursary to a graduating secondary student who plans on attending a post-secondary education program in September 2021. The successful candidate will be a member of either Blessed Sacrament or St. Agnes Parish. Application forms and further information are available at the guidance department at Ursuline College (The Pines), or from Colleen Koehler at koehleco@gmail.com. The application form and required documents must be submitted to Colleen Koehler at koehleco@gmail.com by May 23, 2021.

CHATHAM CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

We are now taking intentions for Blessed Sacrament, St. Agnes, St. Joseph, St. Ursula and Our Lady of Victory for June.

We will only be able to accept two Mass Intentions per household for this time frame. Anything above this we can certainly take and send on to the Diocese of London, which are then forwarded to priests that do not have Mass Intentions. We appreciate your cooperation with this. By using this method, the Mass Intentions you request will be said in a more expedient way.

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THE CHATHAM CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

As we are all forced to slow down in our current world, unfortunately some things continue along, such as our household bills and expenses. The same goes for our parishes as well, that operate mainly on donations received at Mass. To donate, there are some options such as e-transfer, mailing or dropping off a donation, pre-authorized debit and an easy, online option. For more details, go to our parish website at ccfp.dol.ca and select the "Giving" tab and then "How to donate".

If you wish to drop off donations, please drop them into the white locked mail box at St. Agnes parish office. The mail box is checked daily.

We are so thankful for your continued support throughout these changing times.



CHURCH CHUCKLE

An exasperated mother, whose son was always getting into mischief, finally asked him, "How do you expect to get into Heaven?"

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