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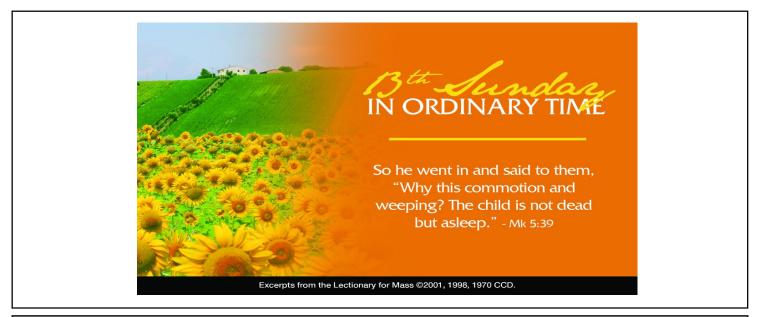
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Readings for July 4 Ezekiel 2: 3-5. 2 Corinthians 12: 7-10. Mark 6: 1-6.

JUNE 27, 2021 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FORMING DISCIPLES AND REACHING OUT TO ALL

CHATHAM CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES GRATITUDE, MOVING IN & GETTING TO WORK - A note from Fr. John



Dear Parishioners of the Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes,

WORDS OF GRATITUDE TO EVERYONE IN THE FAMILY!!

I want to express my deepest gratitude and thanks to Fr. Jim, the priests and deacons, Pastoral Team, Administrative Team and Support Staff for their openness, generosity and support during this time of transition. I also want to thank the Pastoral Council and Finance Committee for their leadership and hard work bringing the Catholic communities of Chatham together as one family the last three years. I have had great opportunities over the last few months to attend online staff meetings, Pastoral Council meetings and one Finance Committee meeting. I have also had the chance to connect with most staff members individually learning about their ministry and the family. With each conversation and visit to Chatham, I am learning of the many ministries, programs and outreach that takes place. These are signs of light, hope and joy of the Gospel that is being lived out by all members of the family. I am looking forward to being part of this wonderful community and seeing how I, along with Fr. Robert and Fr. Dariusz, can serve with you and for you.

3 NEW PRIESTS COMING TO CHATHAM

As Fr. Jim, Fr. Jude, Fr. Olivet and Fr. Stan move to other communities in the diocese, I am being joined by **Fr. Robert Weaver** and **Fr. Dariusz Lewandowski, CSMA**. Fr. Robert is a priest of the Diocese of London and has been ordained for 3 years. Fr. Dariusz is a priest of the Congregation of St. Michael the Archangel (Michaelites), who is originally from Poland but has served in our diocese and the Archdiocese of Toronto with his community since his ordination 17 years ago. I am a priest of the Diocese of London and have been ordained for 20 years serving in various parishes, clusters and for a brief time, as Director of Vocations. Although born in London, my parents were immigrants from Poland and so Fr. Dariusz and I will be able to celebrate Masses in Polish at Our Lady of Victory. *Niech będzie pochwalony Jezus Chrystus!*

All three of us are eager, excited and really looking forward to making Chatham home and getting to know all of you (as we pray for the end of the pandemic). We are also looking forward to working with the amazing staff, continuing in the mission of forming intentional disciples who reach out to all.

Just to let you know, Fr. Robert and Fr. Dariusz will be living at the Blessed Sacrament rectory while I will be living at the St. Ursula rectory. This will give us the space we need for ministry and greater opportunity to invite family, friends and brother priests to visit each of us.

FORMING DISCIPLES AND REACHING OUT TO ALL

TEMPORARY MASS SCHEDULE

The pandemic has been a very challenging and difficult time for all of us. The lockdowns and limited opportunities to celebrate our faith in person has made things even harder. Although the closing of churches and attendance limits have been necessary, the good news is that we see light at the end of the tunnel. More and more people are getting vaccinated and we have seen the COVID-19 numbers continue to drop steadily in Ontario. There is a great desire for all of us to establish a "new normal" as a number of businesses, programs and activities begin to safely open up this summer.

After consulting with parish staff, we too want to open wide the doors of our churches drawing close to Christ through the gift of the Eucharist and one another within the COVID-19 guidelines given to us by Bishop Fabbro and the Ontario government. We have established a temporary weekday and weekend Mass schedule effective July 6. 2021 (please see below) similar to the one prior to the pandemic. This temporary schedule (which will be re-evaluated in the fall) will allow Fr. Robert, Fr. Dariusz and I some time to get our feet wet, unpack. learn more about the family and have a better understanding of how we can move forward together. I want to thank you in advance for your patience and understanding as we adjust to our new home and ministry in Chatham.

GETTING TO WORK

Fr. Robert, Fr. Dariusz and I are eager to move in and get to work along with all the staff serving all the people of Chatham and beyond. Over the coming months we will slowly get to know all of you as you get to know us. Early in July we will begin posting online SPOTLIGHT interviews of the family staff in addition to podcasts, blog posts and other online opportunities to strengthen our faith.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE	God bless and be assure
MONDAY	
No Mass	
TUESDAY	
8 AM - St. Agnes	WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE
7 PM - St. Ursula	SATURDAY
WEDNESDAY	5 PM - Blessed Sacrament
8 AM - Blessed Sacrament	SUNDAY
12 PM - St. Joseph	8 AM - St. Joseph
7 PM - Our Lady of Victory (Polish)	9 AM - Blessed Sacrament
THURSDAY	9:30 AM - Our Lady of Victory**
8 AM - St. Agnes	10 AM - St. Ursula
9:30 AM - St. Ursula	11 AM - St. Agnes
FRIDAY	11 AM - Our Lady of Victory (Polish)
8 AM - Blessed Sacrament	12 PM - St. Joseph
12 PM - St. Joseph	**During the 15% attendance limit, the 9:30 am
SATURDAY	Mass at Our Lady of Victory will be in Polish to accommodate attendance. When we reach 30% or
9 AM - Our Lady of Victory (English)	more, it will be an English Mass.
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God bless and be assured of our prayers!

John

Fr. John Jasica Pastor-in-waiting

"The joy of the gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus" Pope Francis - THE JOY OF THE GOSPEL #1

DEACON'S PEN

A vicious attack killed 4 Muslim people in London on June 8, 2021. This is not in line with Jesus teaching of love, peace and acceptance of all. This happened in peaceful Canada, where such atrocities should never take place. Some of the following comments mimic those of journalist Raheel Raza.

Canadians are a good people; Canadians are not racist. In every society there are evil elements. Every society has murderers. This attack in London is the work of someone who has hate on their mind.

Hate, race and religious-based attacks have been with humans forever. Despite gospel messages of love, understanding, acceptance and compassion, there are still times when grudges are held, animosity prevails and others are attacked as less worthy. This is made more extreme when any human becomes demanding, selfish and wants to survive in a superior way regardless of the damage done to others.

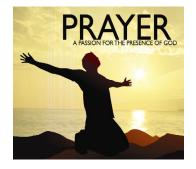
These partisan attacks are horrible - laws don't stop hatred and ugly conspiracy theories make the whole issue a political one. In reality, silencing people through political correctness and cancel culture is not the answer. Instead, we need to ask tough questions and see the hot house of racial, territorial and hate issues in our history.

Hate is taught. No one is born with hatred in their hearts. We can teach our children to love, accept and understand; or, we can pass on hate in small ways through terminology and insinuation, with grumbling about "those immigrants" or "those people" or "us" and "them". That sets bad example. Instead, we should invite new Canadians, people of other race, colour into our homes - make them feel truly welcome?

Let us not succumb to hate, or use it as a political weapon to attack each other, to censor each other, or to define each other. Let us follow Jesus' example as He accepted and loved all people. We all belong in God's world.

We need to pray that we refrain from casting dispersions on others, pray that we accept equally all people and pray that we love all people.

Deacon Chris Masterson



NEED INFORMATION ABOUT A SACRAMENT?

Baptism First Communion First Reconciliation Confirmation Marriage RCIA

Visit our website at <u>www.ccfp.dol.ca</u> and look under the "Sacrament" tab.





FAMILY FAITH FUN KITS

Through the Diocesan Office of Family and Youth Ministry and various Coordinators of Family and Youth throughout the Diocese, we would like to invite families with school aged children up to grade six to register for a FREE Summer Family Faith Fun kit. Every child will receive a special box of fun activities, games and craft material that is rooted in faith and encourages family connectedness.

Registration is now open for July by going to our parish website at:

www.ccfp.dol.ca/family-faith-fun-kits

There are only <u>100</u> kits available for our parish family so register today!

There will be a drive through pick-up of your kits at Blessed Sacrament on Saturday, July 3, 12:00-2:00 or Sunday, July 4, 11:00-12:00

For more info, email Ali Chinnick at achinnick@dol.ca



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Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes Weekday Mass Intentions - June 29 - July 2	Jun Jun
Tuesday, June 29 - 9:00 am - St. Ursula ~ Verna Southgate ~ Intentions of Lucianna Letourneau & family ~ Intentions of Adam Strik	Jun July July
Wednesday, June 30 - 9:00 am - St. Agnes ~ Intentions of Pennie & Martin vandenbroek	July
Wednesday, June 30 - 7:00 pm - Our Lady of Victory ~ Zbigniew Piesiak	, Rea
Thursday, July 1 - 9:00 am - Blessed Sacrament ~ Joyce Gavin ~ Fran Doyle ~ Gail Collins	Rea
~ Maria Qua Tran ~ Ron Stevens ~ Intentions of Joan Rolland	Gos
Friday, July 2 - 12 noon - St. Joseph ~ Silva Perini ~ Jean Gleeson ~ Joaquim Borges	Key Loro you you
Due to the new weekday Mass schedule, we had to overlap some Mass Intentions. This is why you may see one Mass having more intentions than another.	

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, Diane Carroll and Flora Cattoor.

"a time to die...."

Please remember in your prayers all deceased relatives and parishioners especially Annette Kelly, Ron Poissant, Tim O'Rourke, Theresa Beecroft and Mario DeVito.

Eternal rest grant unto thee.

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

Please remember to pray for these Diocesan ministers: Rev. Tom Ferrera; Mrs. Laura Lee, Pastoral Minister; Rev. Paul Baillargeon; Deacon Charles (Chuck) Stevens; Mrs. Colleen Hanley, Pastoral Minister; Deacon Wayne Waechter; Deacon Roy Brothers.



Congratulations to Rowena Fallon-Smith wh celebrates her 89th birthday on June 30.

WEEKDAY READINGS

June 28	Genesis 18: 16-33. Matthew 8: 18-22.
June 29	Acts 12: 1-11. 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 17-18.
	Matthew 16: 13-19.
June 30	Genesis 21: 5, 8-20. Matthew 8: 28-34.
July 1	Genesis 22: 1-19. Matthew 9: 1-8.
July 2	Genesis 23: 1-4, 19 - 24: 1-8, 62-67.
-	Matthew 9: 9-13.
July 3	Ephesians 2: 19-22. John 20: 24-29.

THIRTEENH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Rich in love

Reading I Wisdom 1: 13-15, 2: 23-24 (God's justice and its rejection by the wicked)

- Reading II 2 Corinthians 8: 7, 9: 13-15 (liberal giving)
- Gospel Mark 5: 21-43 (the daughter of Jairus; the woman with a hemorrhage)

Key Passage: For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8: 9)

Adult: When have your felt enriched by a sacrifice you made for another?

Child: Whom could you help by your acts of kindness this week?

Celebrating Your Faith at Home

Masses are live streamed each Sunday and Thursday at 9 am on our YouTube channel. Visit the parish website (<u>www.ccfp.dol.ca</u>) 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, July 1 at 9 am Sunday, July 4 at 9 am



MASS VIA PHONE

Good news, you can listen to Mass or pray the Rosary from St. George Parish in London by calling who 1-226-781-7977 and following the prompts.

IMPORTANT Information

MASS TIMES AND REGISTRATION

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday	5:00 pm at Blessed Sacrament
Sunday	8:00 am at St. Joseph
Sunday	9:00 am at Blessed Sacrament
	(live-streaming will continue)
Sunday	9:00 am at Our Lady of Victory (Polish)
Sunday	10:00 am at St. Ursula
Sunday	11:00 am at St. Agnes
Sunday	11:00 am at Our Lady of Victory (Polish)

Registration for Mass is required and is held on Wednesday and Thursday of each week between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, for the following weekend. You can register easily online through our website, www.ccfp.dol.ca, or by calling the parish office.

Due to the 15% capacity allowed in the Church, for the time being we are asking parishioners to register and attend Mass every other week. We will not have a waiting list and unfortunately, we cannot take any walk ins.

Please note that registration for the weekend of July 3/4 will take place on Tuesday, June 29 and Wednesday, June 30 due to Canada Day.

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	9:00 am at St. Ursula
Wednesday	9:00 am at St. Agnes
Wednesday	7:00 pm at Our Lady of Victory
Thursday	9:00 am at Blessed Sacrament
	(live-streaming will continue)
Friday	Noon at St. Joseph

There is no need to register for weekday Mass. It is on a first come, first serve basis.

Confessions are at 10:00 am at Blessed Sacrament.



Please remember that if you do not feel comfortable returning to Mass, Bishop Fabbro has extended the . dispensation of Sunday obligation to **Sunday**, **September 5, 2021**. Please read further in the bulletin for ways to celebrate Mass at home.

INFORMATION ABOUT WEARING OF MASKS

We taking every reasonable precaution to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our churches and protect parishioners. Those who attend Mass or other services without a mask and



without a valid exemption are violating municipal and provincial COVID-19 restrictions and putting fellow parishioners at risk.

Per Bishop Fabbro, starting January 1, 2021, if you have a medical exemption for wearing a mask, you will be required to bring to the pastor evidence from your physician, nurse practitioner, social worker, psychologist or occupational, respiratory or physical therapist attesting to your condition. Once you do so, you will be provided a document to bring to Mass each time. When you register for Mass, please let them know you have been granted an exemption, so that you can be seated in a designated area.

We will still ask that you wear a mask briefly to enter and exit and to receive Communion, unless your disability prevents you from doing so. Those who refuse to comply with this diocesan regulation will be asked to leave and will not be permitted to attend Mass until they agree to wear a mask.

We are aware that this new protocol does go beyond the requirements in most health unit orders and local by-laws, but they are required to protect the safety of our parishioners, parish teams and volunteers while on church property. Infections continue to increase in our communities and small sacrifices like wearing a mask can slow the transmission of the virus, and are a sign of our love for our neighbours and help prevent people from taking advantage of the exemptions for personal reasons.

Footnotes: Above information was taken from December 1, 2020 COVID-19 Update from Bishop Fabbro (Update #13) - found at <u>www.dol.ca</u>.

Please note that face shields and/or plastic masks are not an appropriate replacement for a face mask. From the Ontario.ca website regarding face shields:

Face shields do not replace masks or face coverings.

A face shield is used to protect the eyes of the person wearing it. Using a face shield without a mask won't protect:

- You from potentially inhaling infectious respiratory droplets exhaled by others
- Others from your infectious respiratory droplets, as they can escape around the face shield

LET'S DO OUR PART



Let's unite in prayer to support our scientific and medical communities' vaccination efforts! Getting vaccinated is an act of love, to protect your community. Covid-19 can be defeated thanks to our

joint efforts - so that we may have life and have it in abundance.

To book your appointment visit getyourshotck.com or call 519-351-1010.

If you are in need of transportation to get your vaccination, there are two local services who can assist you.

- 1. Advantage Transportation 519-354-6221 email advantage@familyservicekent.ca
- 2. CHAP Program 519-354-6221 extension 243 email carelink@familyservicekent.ca

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL STORE

The St. Vincent de Paul Store located at 80 King Street East is now open!! Their hours are from 9 am to 4 pm Monday thru Saturday. To schedule a pick up of larger donations, please call the store at 519-354-0410.

Thank you for your continued support!



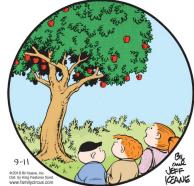
K OF C - Blessed Sacrament #1412

50/50 Online Raffle Draw date: June 30, 2021 100 tickets - \$40 40 tickets - \$20 15 tickets - \$10

To purchase your tickets from Council #1412 please visit www.kofcontario5050.com. When asked for what organization "Chatham Blessed Sacrament 1412



CHURCH CHUCKLE



"God hangs fruit on trees so it doesn't get dirty."

MIGRANT WORKER MINISTRY OUTREACH How We Can Help

Every year we are blessed with many workers who come to help with the work needed to harvest food on our local farms. These people who come to work and live among us are our neighbours and our parishioners. They leave their country to earn a living, so that they can send support back home to their families.

Since COVID has begun our Migrant Workers Ministry has not been able to provide Masses in Spanish, gathered meals, or ministry visits for those who come to work and are far away from their families.

We can help! The Migrant Workers Ministry are preparing Welcome Bags with toiletries, personal items and prayer aides in Spanish and more. The bags will be delivered to the men during June. They are inviting us to help with the cost of putting these bags together.

Please pray and consider a monetary donation. Donations can be made via:

- Cheque payable to St. Joseph Parish; "Migrant Workers Ministry" in the memo line
- E-transfer stjoseph@dol.ca "Migrant Worker Ministry" in the Note section
- Cash or Cheques can be dropped off in the white locked drop boxes at St. Agnes or St. Ursula

Thank you for your support and part in welcoming these men to our community!

BLOOD SEVICES

Your donation matters. It matters toe very patient across Canada. Because it's something we can do today to help others wake up healthier tomorrow.

> Upcoming blood donation events: Retro Suites Hotel 2 King St W, Chatham Wednesday, June 30 from 1 - 7 pm

Join Canada's Lifeline. Book now at blood.ca or call 1-888-2-DONATE.

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 at 519-352-8530 or 519-352-9483 or by email at mfoster@dol.ca.

I call on you, my God, for you will answer me; turn your ear to me and hear my prayers. Psalm 17:6

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