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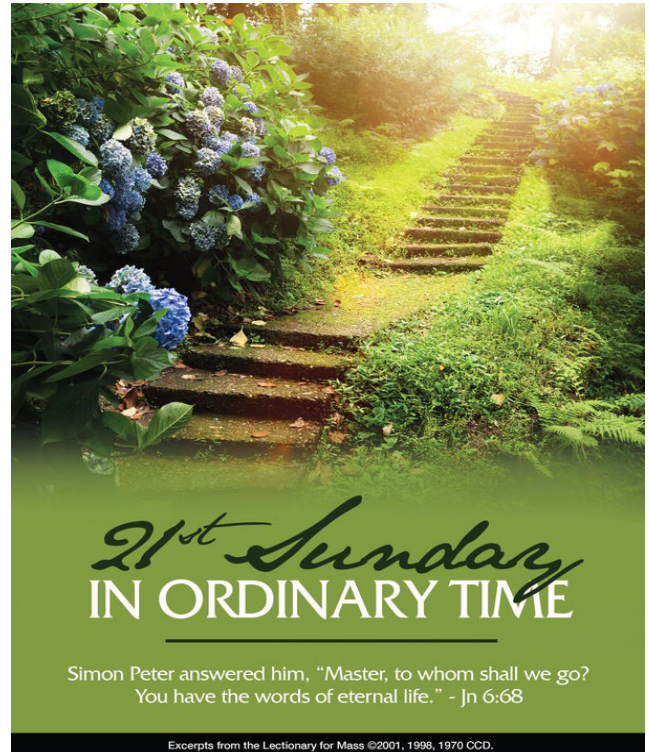
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#### Readings for August 29

Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8.

James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27. Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23.

**AUGUST 22, 2021**

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## FAMILY UPDATE from Fr. John

### CHATHAM IS HOME & WE ARE SO BLESSED!

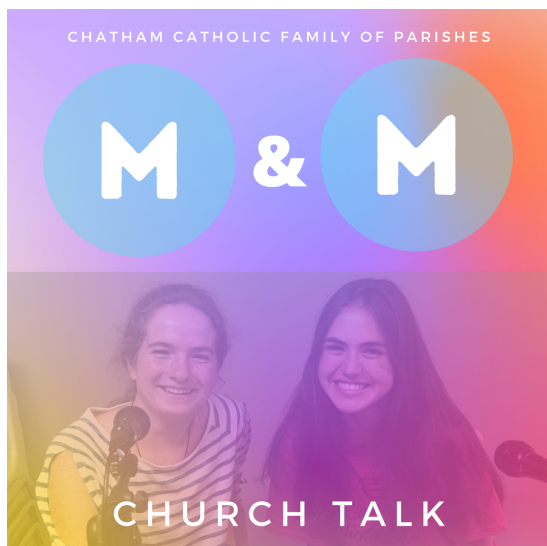
As we approach the end of August, it will be two months since Fr. Robert, Fr. Dariusz and I arrived in Chatham. All three of us are thankful for your warm welcome, kindness and support as we adjust to serving this wonderful family of parishes. We are learning so many new things about the five parishes that make up our family in addition to the many different ministries that help build up our entire Chatham community. Thank you to our wonderful staff and volunteers who work so hard to share the Good News of the gospel each day!!

All three of us are slowly getting to know the staff and parishioners with each meeting, Mass and celebration. We have also received our orientation training and are now actively on-call for the hospital. We can truly say that Chatham is our home.

As the summer draws to a close, the family staff will be working together planning for September to Christmas. Once again, our ministry will be different due to the pandemic. Yet we will continue to form disciples who reach out to all. I look forward to working with the staff, Pastoral Council, Finance Committee and all of you.

### NEW PODCAST IS NOW LIVE!!

Please go to our family of parishes website ([www.chathamcatholic.ca](http://www.chathamcatholic.ca)) where Meagan and Mary (our summer students) have released their first episode of their new podcast called "M & M Church Talk." For their first podcast they interviewed the new pastor. New episodes are on the way as they interview Fr. Robert and Fr. Dariusz talking about a "day in the life of a priest" and so much more!! You can also send in your suggestions on future topics and people to interview as Mary and Meagan look at the Church from a youth perspective!!



## A REMINDER OF COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

Last week Bishop Fabbro released a COVID-19 update. In consultation with the Pastoral Team we will implement the following changes over the next couple of weeks:

1. Bulletins and other publications/brochures will be available at all churches
2. Votive candles will be opened for use
3. We will offer more confession times at the different churches which will be published in the bulletin and website (the option for General Absolution has been withdrawn by the bishop effective immediately)
4. Hand sanitizers will be available at all churches but hosts will not be sanitizing your hands

Bishop Fabbro has also extended the dispensation from the Sunday obligation to November 27, 2021.

Please note that we must continue to wear masks, remain physically distanced (at all our celebrations) and require weekly registrations for our weekend liturgies. Procedures for Communion remain the same. None of these requirements have changed. Thank you so much for your support, cooperation and sacrifices to ensure everyone's safety during the pandemic.



### 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](mailto: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

### 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 [mfoster@dol.ca](mailto:mfoster@dol.ca) or you can view it on the Family of Parishes website at [www.chathamcatholic.ca](http://www.chathamcatholic.ca).

**Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes  
Mass Intentions - August 24 - 28, 2021**

**Tuesday, August 24 - 8:00 am - St. Agnes**

- ~ Leonard McAvoy
- ~ Intentions of Brad & Nathalie Miller

**Tuesday, August 24 - 7:00 pm - St. Ursula**

- ~ Joe Malo
- ~ Frank Van Heck
- ~ Marjorie Laevens

**Wednesday, August 25 - 8:00 am - Blessed Sacrament**

- ~ Intentions of Rodger Luxton

**Wednesday, August 25 - 12:00 noon - St. Joseph**

- ~ Clarence Zimmer
- ~ Vianney Martin
- ~ Intentions of Leo & Clarita Litschko

**Wednesday, August 25 - 7:00 pm - Our Lady of Victory  
(This Mass will be in Polish.)**

- ~ Zbigniew Piesiak

**Thursday, August 26 - 8:00 am - St. Agnes**

- ~ Harry Kahue & deceased relatives

**Thursday, August 26 - 9:30 am - St. Ursula**

- ~ Joe Malo
- ~ Mario DeVito
- ~ Angela Pranovi

**Friday, August 27 - 8:00 am - Blessed Sacrament**

- ~ Intentions of John Van Raay

**Friday, August 27 - 12:00 noon - St. Joseph**

- ~ Angie Sedge
- ~ Vianney Martin
- ~ Shurley Cadotte

**Saturday, August 28 - 9:00 am - Our Lady of Victory  
(This Mass will be in English.)**

- ~ In honour & thanksgiving to the Little Infant of Prague
- ~ Edward & Marie Labombard

*We are now taking intentions for Blessed Sacrament,  
St. Agnes, St. Joseph, St. Ursula and Our Lady of  
Victory for August and September 2021.*

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

Please pray for those who are currently sick in our parish family especially Alice DeCou.

***"a time to die..."***

Please remember in your prayers all our deceased relatives and parishioners especially Laura Demars and Sr. Anne Louise Cape.

***Eternal rest grant unto thee.***



**WEEKDAY READINGS**

Aug 23 1 Thessalonians 1: 1-5, 8b-10.

Matthew 23: 13-22.

Aug 24 Revelation 21: 9b-14. John 1: 45-51.

Aug 25 1 Thessalonians 2: 9-13. Matthew 23: 27-32.

Aug 26 1 Thessalonians 3: 7-13. Matthew 24: 42-51.

Aug 27 1 Thessalonians 4: 1-8. Matthew 25: 1-13.

Aug 28 1 Thessalonians 4: 9-11. Matthew 25: 14-30.



**ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

**Reading I** Joshua 24: 1-2, 15-17, 18.

(reminder of the divine goodness)

**Reading II** Ephesians 5: 21-32.

(Christian wives and husbands)

**Gospel** John 6: 60-69.

(effect of the bread of life discourse)

**Key Passage:** This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church. Each of you, however, should love his wife as himself, and a wife should respect her husband. (Ephesians 5: 32-33)

**Adult:** In what way has the example of Christian marriage (your own or that of another couple) helped you understand the relationship between Christ and his church?

**Child:** What can you do for your family to show them Jesus' love and care?



Congratulations to Leo & Clarita Litschko who celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary on August 26.



**DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR**

Please remember to pray for these Diocesan ministers  
Nursing Home Volunteers in the Diocese of London,  
Rev. Terence Runstedler; Deacon Leonard Tetreault;  
Deacon Gerard Van Schyndel; Deacon Chris Masterson;  
Parish Sacristans in the Diocese of London; Ms. Leanne  
Moran, Pastoral Minister.



## DEACON'S PEN

This Sunday's Gospel reading lays it on the line for us; "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you."

For the last four weeks St. John has been telling us about Jesus feeding people and nourishing their bodies, now he tells them what they have to do to feed their souls and truly become his disciples. Many cannot accept this teaching from him and walked away.

Let us make our choice for Christ and live it: We Christians have accepted the challenge of following the way of Christ and making choices for Christ, fortified by the Bread he gives and relying on the power of his Holy Spirit. The Heavenly Bread and the Holy Spirit will give us the courage of our Christian convictions to take a stand for Jesus, to accept the Church's teachings and to face ridicule, criticisms and even social isolation for our adherence to sound Christian principles in our lives. That is what we mean by our "Amen" while receiving Jesus in Holy Communion. We express without any conditions or reservations our total commitment to him in the community to which we belong. Christ's thoughts and attitudes, his values, his life-view must become totally ours. Above all, we are to identify with him in the offering of his Flesh and the pouring out of his Blood on the cross by spending our lives for others.

Peace and May God Bless you all; Deacon Morgan



## CHURCH CHUCKLE

Teddy came thundering down the stairs, much to his father's annoyance.

"Teddy," he called, "how many more times have I got to tell you to come down the stairs quietly? Now, go back up and come down like a civilized human being."

There was silence, and Teddy reappeared in the front room.

"That's better," said his father. "Now will you always come down the stairs like that?"

"Suits me," said Teddy. "I slid down the banister."



Our parish has a FORMED subscription. To sign up your free account, visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.

1. Go to: [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup)
2. Look for the Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes when asked for your parish.
3. Enter your email. A link will be sent to your email. Click that to join.
4. Do not log out and you will stay logged in for the next visit to the site.

Staff "Picks" - recommendations from the staff of our Family of Parishes are available to view on our website, [www.ccfp.dol.ca](http://www.ccfp.dol.ca). On the main page of the website under the FORMED section, select "click here" and see reviews.

Meagan King and Mary Bondy, our summer students watched a series from FORMED called, "Brother Francis." Here is their review.

*"Brother Francis" is a series for the youth, it's appropriate for ages 4-9. This series uses song, teaching and stories to help the youth learn more about their faith, especially the Sacraments of Communion and Reconciliation.*

*In the episode "The Bread of Life; Celebrating the Eucharist!" Brother Francis teaches us about the meaning of the Eucharist and tells the story of Saint Imelda. This series is a good way to get the youth ready to receive their sacraments in a fun and entertaining way.*

*In the episode "Forgiven; The Blessing of Confession", Brother Francis teaches us how God forgives us and the importance of the Sacrament of Confession. This is also an episode to prepare children to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation while understanding why they are doing it.*

*We highly recommend this series to any child preparing to receive their sacraments or wanting a fun and interesting series to start."*

## 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	9:30 am at Our Lady of Victory (English)
Sunday	10:00 am at St. Ursula
Sunday	11:00 am at St. Agnes
Sunday	11:00 am at Our Lady of Victory (Polish)
Sunday	Noon at St. Joseph

### REGISTRATION

Registration for Weekend 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.chathamcatholic.ca](http://www.chathamcatholic.ca), or by calling the parish office. Please be sure to register, we cannot take walk ins.

Please remember that if you do not feel comfortable returning to Mass, Bishop Fabbro has extended the dispensation of Sunday obligation to **November 27**.

### WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday	8:00 am at St. Agnes 7:00 pm at St. Ursula
Wednesday	8:00 am at Blessed Sacrament (live-streamed) 12 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 (live-streamed) 12 noon at St. Joseph
Saturday	9:00 am at Our Lady of Victory (English)

There is no registration for weekday Mass. It is on a first come, first serve basis.

### LIVE-STREAMED MASS

Masses are live streamed each Sunday, Wednesday and Friday on our YouTube channel. Visit the parish website ([www.ccfp.dol.ca](http://www.ccfp.dol.ca)) and click on the link at the top of the page (Live-Streamed Mass).

#### Next Live-streamed Masses:

Wednesday, August 25 & Friday, August 27 at 8 am  
Sunday, August 29 at 9 am

### MASS VIA PHONE

You can listen to Mass or pray the Rosary through St. George Parish in London by calling 1-226-781-7977 and following the prompts.

### CONFESSIONS

Confessions take place on Saturday from 9 to 10 am at Blessed Sacrament Church.

## INFORMATION ABOUT WEARING OF MASKS

We are 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 [www.dol.ca](http://www.dol.ca).

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:*

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