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SEPTEMBER 11, 2022 ~ TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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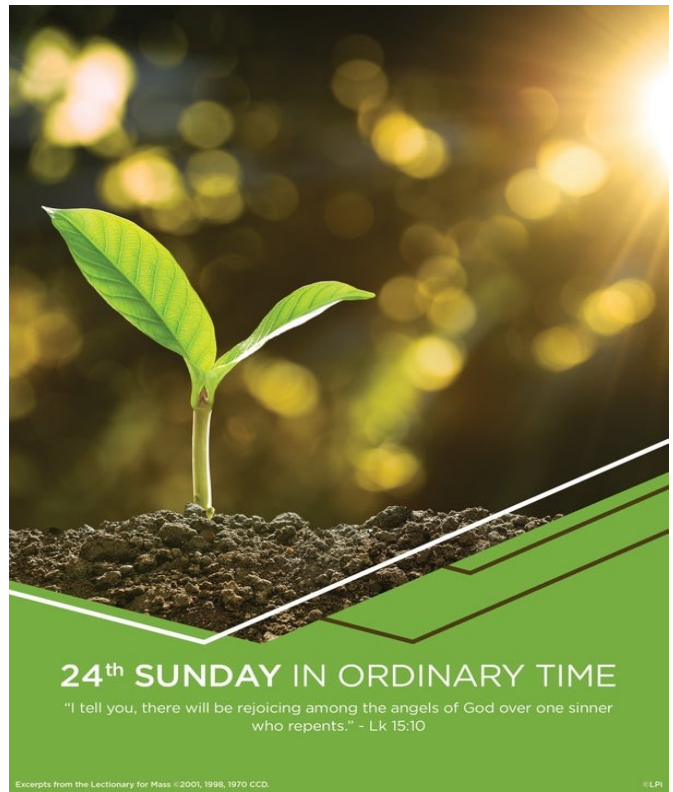
St. Agnes Church
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Monday - Friday

8 am - 12 noon and 1 - 5 pm

We are closed each day
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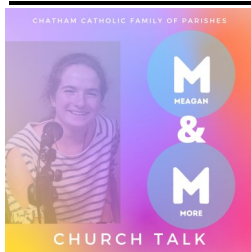
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FAMILY UPDATES

By: Fr. John Jasica

MORE NEW EPISODES ONLINE NOW!!



Check out the family of parishes website as Fr. John and Meagan continue to interview interesting people about their lives and faith. You can hear these and all the episodes and so much more at the family of parishes website—www.chathamcatholic.ca

“THE LINE UP” IS COMING THIS SEPTEMBER

As our family of parishes responds and rebuilds after the pandemic, it will continue to be important to have good communications sharing where we are and where we are headed as a faith community. In addition, with the return of many different programs, events and ministries—we want to make sure you know what is happening and how you can get involved.

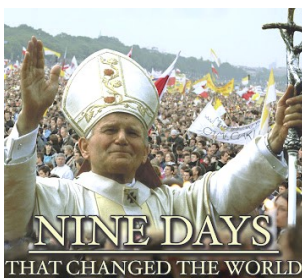


We have the website, Facebook, Twitter and the bulletin as means of communication. Starting in September I would like to add a short video update program that I will host, talking about events, sharing important information and offer further insights with the direction we are heading over the next months and years. There just isn't enough time at the end of Mass to go deeper on various topics or concerns in our parish family. I am hoping that episodes will be posted via our website twice a month (the second and fourth Mondays of the month). Stay tuned for the first episode in a few weeks!!

FAITH FILM SERIES

*****NINE DAYS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD*****

This documentary (94 minutes) reflects on the first visit of St. John Paul II to Poland in June 1979. This very challenging visit sparked the downfall of communism in Europe. See the various places the pope visited and hear from those who were there and experienced this powerful call for change.



Wednesday September 28—7 PM
at the Spirit & Life Centre

Thursday September 29—10:30 AM
at the Spirit & Life Centre

“THE GOOD PLACE CAFÉ”

STARTS THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2022

Our weekly GOOD PLACE CAFÉ will begin this Thursday September 15, 2022 after the new Thursday morning Mass time of 9:30 AM at St. Ursula Church. This weekly opportunity will give all of us a chance to sit, relax and enjoy some wonderful coffee, tea, juice and snacks while connecting with others. This is a free event for everyone!!! The café will be open each week from 10:00 to 11:15 am.



As we continue to rebuild and become a stronger and more faithful family of parishes, it is very important for us to connect with one another. This will of course happen in our various liturgies and ministries but we also need to connect on a social level.

We will need a consistent group of volunteers to help host our weekly café. If you are interested, please connect with Fr. John (jjasica@dol.ca) or call the parish office.

FAITHCATION 2022—UNTOLD BLESSINGS



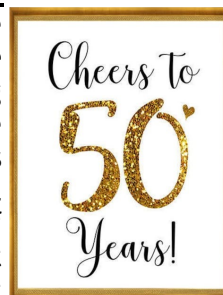
Do you need to get away to rest, relax and be filled up with God's grace? Join us for a special FAITHCATION retreat taking place **October 14-16, 2022 at the Holy Family Retreat House in Oxley,**

Ontario. The retreat is \$275 per person which includes two nights stay, all meals and materials for the weekend.

Come and count your blessings and spend a weekend opening your heart to God. This retreat is open to anyone in the Diocese of London. Space is limited to 50 participants. Register today via www.chathamcatholic.ca or www.revjj.ca

CELEBRATING LYNDY CADOTTE!!

On Sunday September 25, 2022, we as a family of parishes, celebrate Lynda's 50th anniversary of working for the Diocese of London and the parishes in Chatham. Lynda is currently one of our financial secretaries for the family of parishes but has been a constant presence and support first at Blessed Sacrament Parish and then the cluster of St. Agnes and Blessed Sacrament. She has seen it all!! This is a huge milestone that we want to acknowledge and give thanks to God for.



We will honour Lynda at the **Blessed Sacrament 9 AM Mass on Sunday September 25, 2022** followed by a special reception in the parish hall. Everyone is invited for this special celebration. May Lynda be blessed with joy, peace and good health always!!

MASS INTENTIONS
September 13 - 17, 2022

Tuesday, September 13

8:00 am - St. Agnes

- ~ Clara Cartier
- ~ Gerald Ouellette
- ~ Souls in Purgatory
- ~ Ermelinda Antunes
- ~ Ruth Sereda & Tony Buchta

6:30 pm - St. Ursula

- ~ Don Waddick
- ~ Florine Foster
- ~ Adolfo Meriano
- ~ Clarita Litschko
- ~ Intentions of Gladys Charbonneau
- ~ Intentions of Omer & Marianne Emery

Wednesday, September 14

8:00 am - Blessed Sacrament

- ~ Lynn Moir
- ~ Shurley Cadotte
- ~ Betty & Leigh Blonde
- ~ Sr. Veronica Cooke

12:00 noon - St. Joseph

- ~ Larry Laforet
- ~ Rosa Do Forno
- ~ Gerald Murphy
- ~ Silva Junior & Marion Couture Letourneau & family

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

- ~ Irena Wolanski

Thursday, September 15

9:30 am - St. Ursula

- ~ Luisa D'Alisi
- ~ Maria DaCosta
- ~ Jacqueline Minns
- ~ Rosemarie Barral
- ~ In honour of Our Lady of Sorrows
- ~ Deceased family members of Luciano & Grace Magliaro

6:30 pm - St. Agnes

- ~ Karl Lachine
- ~ Gerry & Marion Myers
- ~ Edward, Marie & Jim Labombard

Friday, September 16

8:00 am - Blessed Sacrament

- ~ Art Leclair
- ~ Lynn Moir
- ~ Deceased members of the Balun, Gazarek & Kacer families

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Friday, September 16

12:00 noon - St. Joseph

- ~ Don Sans
- ~ Alice DeCou
- ~ Palmira Neto
- ~ Sharon Bonner
- ~ Intentions of George & Marcella Shapardanis

Saturday, September 17

9:00 am - Our Lady of Victory (English)

- ~ Olinda Das Neves
- ~ Ana Rodrigues & Helder Mendes
- ~ Intentions of all those in the Diocese of London
- ~ Intentions of the Michaud & Letourneau families



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

Please pray for those who are currently sick in our parish family especially Barb Taylor, Paula DeVito, Deb Carr and Eva Beausejour.

"a time to die...."

Please remember in your prayers all our deceased relatives and parishioners especially Paul McLaughlin.

Eternal rest grant unto thee.

DIOCESAN MINISTERS PRAYER CALENDAR

Please remember to pray for: Rev Denis Grecco, Deacon Art Williams, Ministers to Refugees in the Diocese of London, Rev. Robert Remark, Ms. Lisa Mullins - Pastoral Worker, Rev. Daniel Vere and Rev. Michael Michon.

A SPECIAL INVITATION- ST. ANGELA MERICI TODAY

The Ursuline Sisters invite you to join them for a unique "pilgrimage of encounter" to explore the life and contemporary impact of St. Angela Merici through her followers in the world today. Angela's Family on Pilgrimage: Challenged and Changed for Our Times is an opportunity for all who participate to virtually visit six stations where they will journey, grow, and encounter the charism of St. Angela Merici in the 21st century. Go to <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ursuline-convocation-registration-296119008927> for info/registration.



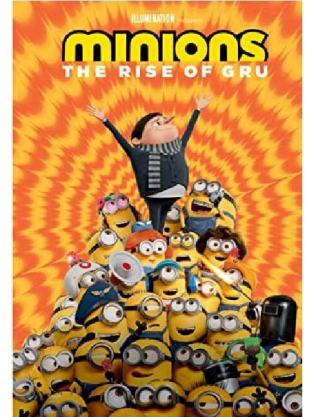
FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 23 – 6:30 PM

MINIONS – THE RISE OF GRU

(at the Spirit & Life Centre)

Long before he becomes the master of evil, Gru is just a 12-year-old boy in 1970s suburbia, plotting to take over the world from his basement. When the infamous supervillain group, the Vicious 6, ousts their leader, Gru attempts to join their ranks but soon finds himself the mortal enemy of the apex of evil. With Gru on the run, the Minions attempt to learn marital arts to help save him, and Gru discovers that even bad guys need a little help from their friends. (1h 27 min)



Everyone is welcome. Parents/grandparents are asked to stay and attend with their children as we are encouraging these movie nights as opportunities for the entire family to enjoy together!!

NO NEED TO REGISTER—JUST COME TO AND ENJOY WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SNACKS & BEVERAGES PROVIDED.

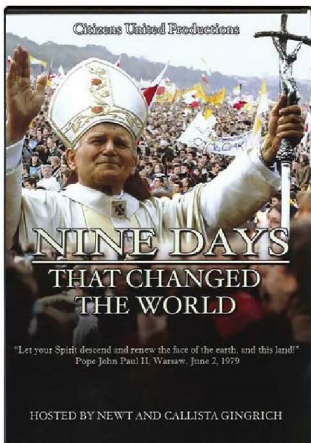
FAITH FILM SERIES

Wednesday September 28, 2022 – 7:00 PM

& Thursday September 29, 2022 – 10:30 AM

NINE DAYS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

(at the Spirit & Life Centre)



This documentary hosted by Newt and Callista Gingrich recounts Pope John Paul II's historic nine-day trip to Poland in June of 1979 and reveals why this visit was the turning point for defeating Communism in Eastern Europe. During these nine days, Pope John Paul II reminded the Polish people that nothing - not even the seemingly all-powerful Communist state - could stand between them and God. The Pope sparked a revolution of conscience in the Polish people that led to the success of Solidarity's free-trade union movement, and ultimately the fall of the Berlin Wall and collapse of the Soviet Union (94 minutes)

The family of parishes is hosting a FAITH FILM SERIES monthly at the **Spirit and Life Centre**. Each month everyone will be invited to watch a faith movie with free popcorn, snacks, and beverages. A short discussion following the film will also take place. All are welcome & there is no need to register!!!



FAITHCATION 2022 "UNTOLD BLESSINGS"

Join Fr. John Jasica at the **HOLY FAMILY RETREAT CENTRE** in Oxley, Ontario for a spiritual holiday to discover untold blessings in our lives as we recover, rebuild and respond as faithful disciples in a post-pandemic world.

This retreat is open to adults & limited to 50 people. The retreat begins Friday night October 14 and conclude with lunch on Sunday October 16. Retreat costs include 2 nights stay, meals, snacks & materials.

Holy Family Retreat House is located at 500 Oxley Beach Drive along Lake Erie in Oxley, Ontario.

Website: www.hfrh.ca

TOTAL COSTS -- \$275 per person



Go to www.revjj.ca for more information & to register. Pay online or make cheques payable to **Blessed Sacrament Church** with memo line marked as "FAITHCATION".

DETAILED SCHEDULE

FRIDAY OCTOBER 14, 2022

6:00 to 7:00 PM - Arrival, registration and room assignments (Dining Hall)
7:15 to 8:00 PM - Welcome--Introductions--Expectations (Conference Room)
8:00 to 8:15 PM - BREAK
8:15 to 9:30 PM - **Session #1 - "FINDING THE CENTRE - PART 1"** (Conference Room)
9:30 to 10:30 PM - Social time (optional - Ravine Room)

SATURDAY OCTOBER 15, 2022

7:30 to 8:30 AM - Breakfast (Dining Hall)
8:45 to 9:00 AM - Praying the Rosary (Chapel - optional)
9:15 to 10:30 AM - **Session #2 - "FINDING THE CENTRE - PART 2"** (Conference Room)
10:30 to 10:45 AM - BREAK
10:45 to 12 NOON - **Session #3 - "KNOWING YOU'RE A SINNER - PART 1"** (Conference Room)
12 NOON to 1:30 PM - Lunch (Dining Hall) & Rest Time
1:30 to 3:00 PM - **Session #4 - "KNOWING YOU'RE A SINNER - PART 2"** (Conference Room)
3:00 to 6:00 PM - Quiet Time of Prayer & Reflection (Confessions/Chat 4:30 to 6:00 PM)
6:00 to 7:00 PM - Dinner (Dining Hall)
7:00 to 8:30 PM - **Session #5 - "YOUR LIFE IS NOT ABOUT YOU - PART 1"** (Conference Room)
8:30 to 9:30 PM - Holy Hour & Adoration (Chapel)
9:45 to 10:30 PM - Social (Ravine Room - optional)

SUNDAY OCTOBER 16, 2022

8:00 to 8:45 AM - Breakfast (Dining Hall)
8:45 to 9:00 AM - Rosary (Chapel - optional)
9:00 to 10:30 AM - **Session #6 - "YOUR LIFE IS NOT ABOUT YOU - PART 2"** (Conference Room)
10:30 AM - BREAK
11:00 to 12 NOON - Mass (Chapel)
12 NOON - Lunch (Dining Hall)
1:00 PM - Head home --- the end of the retreat!



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION - FORMING FAITHFUL DISCIPLES

Dear parents and guardians of our First Reconciliation & First Communion candidates,

INVOLVING PARENTS MORE & SHARING OUR FAITH EXPERIENCE – A GREAT GIFT FOR ALL!!

I am writing this letter to you as the school year comes to a close, letting you know that we as a family of parishes (the five Catholic churches in Chatham) are getting ready for sacramental preparation now. This fall we are making a major shift in our sacramental preparation that we hope will strengthen the gift of your faith and build up our family of parishes sharing and living the Good News. Here are some things you need to know:



1. All ministries and programs in our faith community, especially sacramental preparation, will focus on **forming disciples** who will follow Christ every day **reaching out to all**.
2. All our sacramental preparation programs will use a small faith sharing group model that encourages everyone to share their experience of faith together, supporting one another.
3. Since the primary faith educators of children are their parents, we as a parish, support parents in forming these young disciples. **This will require the attendance and participation of at least one of the candidate's parents or grandparents at each of the preparation sessions.**
4. The three basic foundations of our sacramental preparation will focus on **sharing one's own faith experience** (seeing how faith connects with real life), building a greater sense of **community** and **catechesis** (understanding the teachings of faith).

This is a significant change from past years, but it is one that we hope will have a strong, positive impact on candidates, families, and the parish. We are taking a more intentional approach supporting not only the candidate, but parents, grandparents, and family members together hoping to further integrate everyone into the life of Christ through the family of parishes.

I know that change can cause some frustration and difficulty, but we all realize that there needs to be a better and more impactful way to prepare our candidates and their families for the sacraments. With the change in focus and method, we are also changing the schedule.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION – A FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE

I understand the busy lives families lead today, especially in our post-pandemic world. I really think that they are too busy!!! Children are involved in so many amazing programs, sports, and activities. The Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes wants to be as flexible as possible making things manageable for families that are constantly on the go. With this in mind, we are offering First Reconciliation & First Communion preparation twice in the upcoming year. Families will be able to choose the cycle that best meets their schedule. This change will also mean the opportunity to celebrate the sacraments throughout the year when the candidates are ready and when families can truly rejoice together.

The two cycles of preparation for First Reconciliation and First Communion will take place Saturday afternoons prior to the 5:00 PM Mass at the Blessed Sacrament Church Hall (4:00 to 5:00 pm) and on Sundays after the 9:00 AM Mass at the Blessed Sacrament Church Hall (10:15 to 11:15 am). Each sacrament will have 4 weekends of mandatory preparation. Families will be able to choose from the Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning gatherings each of those weekends. With this schedule, families will be able to attend Mass together as part of the preparation for the sacrament. There will also be one MAKE-UP Saturday morning for each round just in case to once again be as flexible and adaptable to the needs and schedules of busy families.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETINGS (for parents only)

CYCLE A - Thursday September 22, 2022 – 6:30 PM at the Blessed Sacrament Church Hall

CYCLE B – Thursday January 12, 2023 – 6:30 PM at the Blessed Sacrament Church Hall

CYCLE A

First Reconciliation Preparation:

ROUND #1

Meeting #1: October 1/2, 2022

Meeting #2: October 15/16, 2022

Meeting #3: October 22/23, 2022

Meeting #4: October 29/30, 2022

Make Up Class – Saturday November 5 – 10 AM

(All sessions at Blessed Sacrament Church Hall)

First Communion Preparation:

ROUND #1

Meeting #1: November 19/20, 2022

Meeting #2: November 26/27, 2022

Meeting #3: December 3/4, 2022

Meeting #4: December 10/11, 2022

Make Up Class – Saturday December 17 – 10 AM

(All sessions at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall)

CYCLE B

First Reconciliation Preparation:

ROUND #2

Meeting #1: January 14/15, 2023

Meeting #2: January 21/22, 2023

Meeting #3: January 28/29, 2023

Meeting #4: February 4/5, 2023

Make Up Morning – Saturday February 11 – 10 AM*

(Meetings 1-4 at Blessed Sacrament Church Hall)

(*Make Up session at St. Ursula Church Hall)

First Communion Preparation:

ROUND #2

Meeting #1: March 4/5, 2023

Meeting #2: March 25/26, 2023

Meeting #3: April 1/2, 2023

Meeting #4: April 15/16, 2023

Make Up Morning – Saturday April 22 – 10 AM

(All sessions at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall)



(There are scheduled First Reconciliation Celebration dates for candidates who complete preparation. Once candidates complete First Communion preparation, families will be able to pick any weekend Mass during the year to receive the sacrament. Registrations to celebrate the sacraments will be via the family website)

*****For more information, please check out family of parishes website.**

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HOW DO I REGISTER MY CHILD FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION?

Step #1 – Go to the family of parishes website at www.chathamcatholic.ca and look for the FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION link. (Registrations open July 4, 2022)

Step #2 – Fill out the online registration form by answering all the questions and all the contact information required. You will be asked which cycles of preparation for each sacrament you will attend. You can prepare in whichever order is easier for you and your family.

Step #3 - We ask for a donation of \$40 to help with materials and other communication expenses.

- donate via e-transfer to bsacramentparish@dol.ca (Add to message-Child's name & Sacraments)
- in person at the family of parishes office (St. Agnes Church—52 Croydon St.)
- at the Parent Information Sessions or at any of the preparation meetings on the weekends

Step #4 – You will receive a confirmation email to let you know that your child has been registered. Further information will be sent to you in preparation for the parent meeting and the sessions in the fall.

**REGISTRATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION WILL BE LIVE
ONLINE AT THE FAMILY WEBSITE STARTING JULY 4. (www.chathamcatholic.ca)**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Ali Chinnick, our pastoral minister responsible for First Reconciliation & First Communion – achinnick@dol.ca or at 519-352-9483 ext. 227. We are all here to help!!

Fr. John Jasica - Pastor



September 2, 2022

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION - FORMING FAITHFUL DISCIPLES

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The three cycles of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place Sunday mornings from 11:00 to 11:50 AM at the Spirit & Life Centre prior to the 12:00 Noon Mass at St. Joseph Church. Each cycle will include 3 sessions in addition to activities provided to be done at home with family members. With this schedule, families will be able to attend Mass together as part of the preparation for the sacrament. There will also be MAKE-UP sessions for each cycle if necessary, trying to be as flexible and adaptable to the needs and schedules of busy families.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION MEETINGS (for parents & candidates)

Thursday September 15, 2022 – 7:00 PM at the Spirit & Life Centre (St. Joseph Church Hall)

Wednesday November 9, 2022 – 7:00 PM at the Spirit & Life Centre (St. Joseph Church Hall)

Thursday February 16, 2023 – 7:00 PM at the Spirit & Life Centre (St. Joseph Church Hall)

CYCLE A

(at the Spirit & Life Centre – 11 to 11:50 AM)

Confirmation Preparation:

Session #1: Sunday September 25, 2022

Session #2: Sunday October 2, 2022

Session #3: Sunday October 16, 2022

Make Up Sessions – To be determined

CYCLE B

(at the Spirit & Life Centre – 11 to 11:50 AM)

Confirmation Preparation:

Session #1: Sunday December 4, 2022

Session #2: Sunday December 11, 2022

Session #3: Sunday December 18, 2022

Make Up Sessions – To be determined

CYCLE C

(at the Spirit & Life Centre – 11 to 11:50 AM)

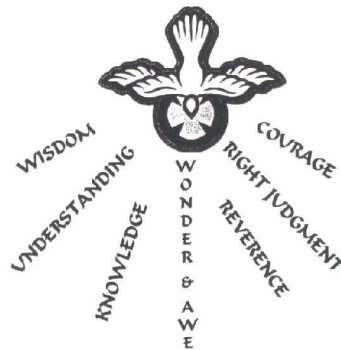
Confirmation Preparation:

Session #1: Sunday March 12, 2023

Session #2: Sunday March 19, 2023

Session #3: Sunday March 26, 2023

Make Up Sessions – To be determined



(Once all preparations for the sacrament are complete, candidates will be able to choose Masses on the weekend in our family of parishes to receive the sacrament---in the midst of the community. More details will follow)

*****For more information, please check out family of parishes website.**

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HOW DO I REGISTER MY CANDIDATE FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION?

Step #1 – Go to the family of parishes website at www.chathamcatholic.ca and look for the CONFIRMATION link on the main page of the website. (Registrations open September 2, 2022)

Step #2 – Fill out the online registration form by answering all the questions and all the contact information required. You will be asked which cycles of preparation you will attend.

Step #3 – You will receive a confirmation email to let you know that your child has been registered. Further information will be sent to you in preparation for the parent meeting and the sessions in the fall.

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION WILL BE LIVE ONLINE AT THE FAMILY WEBSITE STARTING SEPTEMBER 2, 2022. (www.chathamcatholic.ca)

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Colleen Keane, our pastoral minister responsible for the Sacrament of Confirmation – ckeane@dol.ca or at 519-352-9483 ext. 225. We are all here to help!!

Fr. John

Fr. John Jasica - Pastor

DID YOU KNOW?

Travel with our summer student Meagan as she adventures around the parish to learn more about things you didn't know about the Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes. Look for Meagan's "DID YOU KNOW?" series through the website: www.chathamcatholic.ca or on our Youtube channel: www.chathamcatholic.tv.

**DID YOU
KNOW?**

CHATHAM CATHOLIC
FAMILY OF PARISHES

ST. JOSEPH HARWICH CWL GENERAL MEETING

All members are welcome to attend the general meeting for St. Joseph Harwich CWL on Monday, September 12 at 7 pm in the Spirit and Life Centre.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT INFORMATION SESSION



The Parent Information Session will take place on Thursday, September 22 at 6:30pm in the Blessed Sacrament Hall. To register your child for First Reconciliation and First Communion, please go to www.chathamcatholic.ca. If you have any questions, please contact Ali Chinnick by phone or email (achinnick@dol.ca).

VOLUNTEER HOSTS NEEDED

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

We are looking for high school students and adults who would be willing to help host during our parish sacramental preparation sessions for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Volunteers would assist by welcoming families, serving snacks and journeying in faith with our young families. If you are interested in learning more about this important ministry, please come to an information meeting at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 at 6:30 p.m. For any questions, please contact Ali Chinnick by phone or email (achinnick@dol.ca).

CHURCH CHUCKLE

During the priest's prayer at church one Sunday, there was a loud whistle from one of the back pews. Tommy's mother was horrified. She pinched him into silence and after church asked, "Tommy, whatever made you do such a thing?"

Tommy answered, "I asked God to teach me to whistle and He did!"

VOLUNTEER LEADERS AND ASSISTANTS NEEDED FOR SUNDAY FRIENDS

We are hoping to begin Sunday Friends at the 9:00 a.m. Mass at Blessed Sacrament as soon as we are able to gather volunteer adult and student hosts. Sunday Friends offers children's Liturgy of the Word during part of the Sunday Mass to children ages 3-7 in the St. Kateri Room at Blessed Sacrament. If you would like to be a part of this ministry, please come to an information meeting at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 AT 6:30 P.M. For any questions contact Ali Chinnick by phone or email (achinnick@dol.ca).

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL STORE



The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store was the recent beneficiary of a newlywed couple's

request for donations in lieu of gifts. Our thrift store assists members of our community and we are always grateful for donations to both the store and the camp. We would like to thank the anonymous couple for their very thoughtful gesture and we invite others to do likewise.

In case our parishioners were not aware, the St. Vincent de Paul collection envelopes in your numbered boxes goes into the account of the specific Church St. Vincent de Paul Conference. These monies are used to issue food or store vouchers, or supply lunches or do other good works. Those envelope donations are not directed to the store or camp.

We also invite parishioners to come to 80 King Street East and see our great variety of like-new goods. Fall decorations are also on sale.

We are very grateful to everyone who has contributed in one way or another to our organization. St. Vincent de Paul issues charitable donation receipts for furniture and monetary donations.

Yours in Christ, Connie Badour

ONLINE SUNDAY FRIENDS

After taking a nice summer break, our puppet friends are back for Online Sunday Friends! With Meagan King as the host, Ali Chinnick telling gospel stories, and the help of our puppet friends as they tell stories, teach crafts and prayers and songs. You can view each week (and past weeks) on our website www.chathamcatholic.ca under Youth/Families.





Congratulations to

Oscar Tracey, Evelyn Primeau, Dayveon Primeau,
Emmett Deschryver, Murphy Earley, Aurora Poole,
Layla Poole, Wesley Clements, Linden Zink,
Aiden Loureiro, Sloan Schaafsma, Beau Smith,
Crew Verburg, Avaya Bergeron, Cali Bergeron
and Crew Bergeron

who joined our parish family through the
Sacrament of Baptism during the month of August.



Congratulations to

Jordan King & Candace Cook
David Vandenberg & Imelda Castillo
Walter Horne & Joanne Bennett
Megan Rumble & Max Fantuz

who recently celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage
during the month of August.



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The courage to forgive

Reading I Exodus 32: 7-11, 13-14
(the golden calf)

Reading II 1 Timothy 1: 12-17
(Paul's gratitude)

Gospel Luke 15: 1-32
(the prodigal son)

Key Passage: The servant replied, "Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound." Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him.
(Luke 15: 27-28)

Adult: When have you persistently sought after a member of your family who has lost his or her way?

Child: Have you ever felt you were not getting credit for your good works? What did you do?

WEEKDAY & WEEKEND MASS TIMES

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Saturday 5:00 pm at Blessed Sacrament
(live-streamed)
Sunday 8:00 am at St. Joseph
(live-streamed)
9:00 am at Blessed Sacrament
(live-streamed)
9:30 am at Our Lady of Victory (English)
10:00 am at St. Ursula (sign language)
11:00 am at St. Agnes
11:00 am at Our Lady of Victory (Polish)
Noon at St. Joseph

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Tuesday 8:00 am at St. Agnes
6:30 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 9:30 am at St. Ursula
6:30 pm at St. Agnes
Friday 8:00 am at Blessed Sacrament
(live-streamed)
12 noon at St. Joseph
Saturday 9:00 am at Our Lady of Victory (English)

LIVE-STREAMED MASS

Masses are live streamed on our YouTube channel (www.chathamcatholic.tv). Visit the parish website (www.chathamcatholic.ca) and click the live-stream link at the top of the page. See Mass schedule above for live-streamed Masses.

MASS VIA PHONE-STREAM

Listen to Mass from St. George Parish in London by calling 1-226-781-7977 and following the prompts.

CONFESSION TIMES

- Wednesdays - 6:30 pm at Our Lady of Victory (Polish)
- Fridays - 11:15 am to 11:45 am at St. Joseph
- Saturdays - 9:45-10:30 am at Our Lady of Victory

E-BULLETIN

To receive an email reminder once the bulletin has been posted (email will include the link to the bulletin on the website), contact Maureen at the parish office or by email at mfoster@dol.ca. Or simply go to our website (chathamcatholic.ca).

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