

CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES IN NORFOLK



**St. Mary, Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs,
St. Bernard of Clairvaux, and St. Cecilia**

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

**“We are a Eucharistic community forming faith-filled
disciples of Jesus in loving service of God and neighbour
for salvation”**

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Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm

Sunday at 11:00 am

St. Mary

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Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm

Sunday at 11:00 am

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

165 Thompson Rd, Waterford

Sunday at 9:00 am

Spanish Mass Sunday at 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday to November 1

St. Cecilia

17 Lynn Park Ave.

Port Dover

Sunday at 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

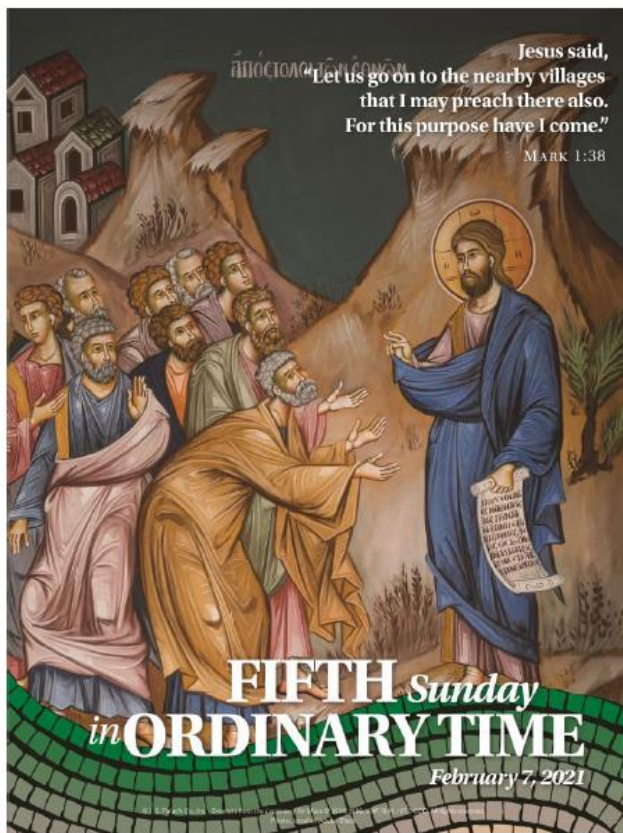
St. Mary & Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

Every Saturday 4:00 pm-4:30 pm

St. Cecilia & St. Bernard

of Clairvaux

Every Sunday 8:15 am or by
appointment



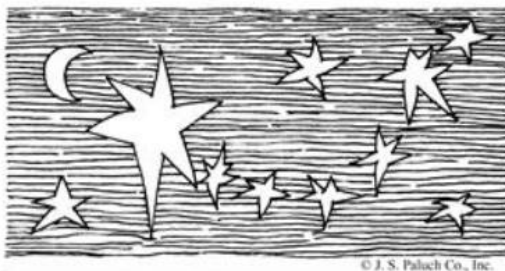
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Job finds life on earth to be drudgery; he is filled with restlessness (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalms — Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

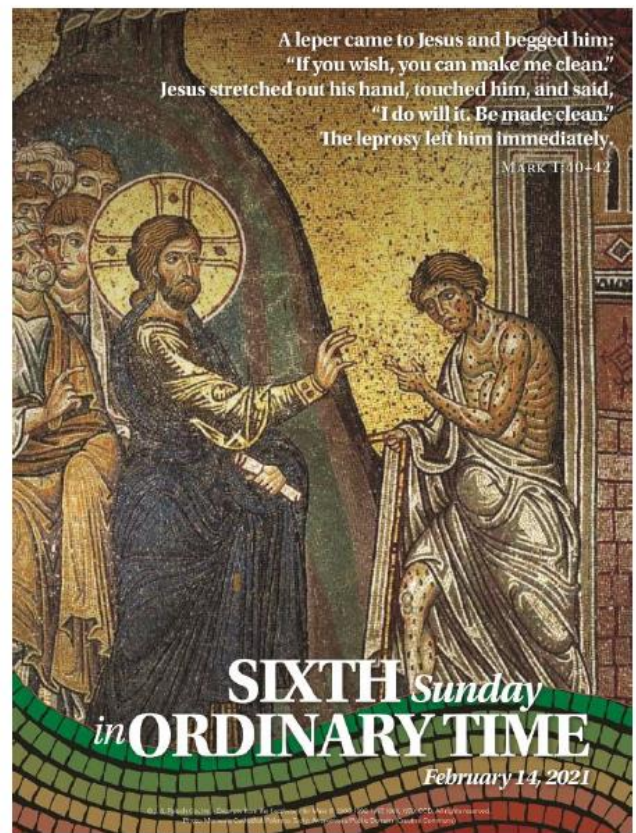
Second Reading — Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel. I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).



Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 7, 2021

[The LORD] tells the number of the stars
and calls them by name.
— Psalm 147:4



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The leper will dwell apart, making an abode outside the camp (Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46).

Psalms — I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation (Psalm 32).

Second Reading — Do everything for the glory of God; be imitators of Christ (1 Corinthians 10:31 — 11:1).

Gospel — The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean (Mark 1:40-45).



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 14, 2021

Whether you eat or drink; or whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God.
— 1 Corinthians 10:31

Dear friends,

There is still so much uncertainty with COVID 19 and it is difficult for us to plan ahead as we approach Lent. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, February 17 and we expect not to be open by this time. Whether open or not we will continue to livestream our Wednesday and Friday Masses at 9:00 am, of course, this will include Ash Wednesday. And we continue, whether open or not, to livestream all Sunday Masses, 11:00 am from St. Mary's church. These masses can be viewed at your convenience via YouTube and via our website: <https://catholicfamilyparishesnorfolk.dol.ca/> When the Government of Ontario cancels the State of Emergency, Stay at Home orders, we will reopen all of our churches at 30 % capacity and we will NOT ask for preregistration to attend mass, until it becomes necessary.

We will also livestream the Stations of the Cross, every Friday during Lent, similar to our masses. We hope to do this at each of our churches, moving from church to church and getting volunteers from each parish to lead. Please join us in prayer. Dates and Times are listed under Mass Intentions.

We hope to mail all parishioners a Lent booklet to assist you in your daily prayer and help you in your spiritual Lenten journey towards Holy Week. With COVID 19 ordering books or anything is very slow, so pray we get them in time to mail them to you.

After Easter, we hope to celebrate First Holy Communions and Confirmations in our four parishes, providing we are open. Stay tuned for the dates and times.

Fr. Robert and Fr. Alan are available for Reconciliation/Confession by appointment, however, the two weeks prior to Holy Week and during Holy Week there will be many opportunities for Confession in our churches.

God Bless!

From your Pastoral and Parish Teams.

From the desk of Deacon John

I wish to share with you this story I came across. One day, as I walked around a spruce tree, I noticed a number of things that could be easily missed if I was just passing by. I noticed the various subtle shades of green colour in the needles; as well as the many colours in the branches like yellows, browns, greys, reds, etc.? If you look closely you can see where there is new growth, past growth and dying growth. Looking up at the branches and you can see how they lift upwards, like arms reaching up towards heaven. Then my thoughts turned to how this tree provides a home, a resting place, a playground for birds and squirrels and other animals. The tree is not just a tree; it is a complexity of life and reflects much about our own life. You may wonder what I mean by this. Well just as the tree contains new life, present life and past life; so too does our life have elements of the past, the present, and the future; all at the same time. My past has shaped who I am today. My present life is built on my past and current experiences and my life is on a journey towards that future life, an eternal life in God's Kingdom.

Just as a tree is a complex creation of God with its many varieties of colours, its past, present and future life, its interaction with other creatures; so is our life a complex creation of God. A life that is full of variety in thoughts, words and actions. A life, that interacts with God, nature and humanity. A life created by God to provide a home, a resting place, a playground to be shared with others. So, a tree is not just a tree and our life is not just a life. Thank you Lord, for Your gift of life.

*Rivers do not drink their own water
Trees do not eat their own fruit
The sun does not shine on itself
And flowers do not spread their fragrance for themselves
Living for others is a rule of nature
We are all born to help each other
No matter how difficult it is . . .
Life is good when you are happy
But much better when others are happy because of you
--Pope Francis*



All Masses are LIVESTREAMED

Sunday Mass will be celebrated at **11:00 am** every Sunday.

Weekday Masses will be every **Wednesday and Friday at 9:00 am**

Remember our churches are closed and all Masses are LIVESTREAMED!

You will find them on YouTube and the link to it on our website



Baptism News

I know that there are many parents wondering about Baptism. There will be no baptisms at the present time due the provincial lockdown. If you have any questions, you can call either call the office and ask for extension 224 or you can e-mail Kathryn directly at kheemskerk@dol.ca.

We Commend to your Prayers:

We pray for all the sick of our Parishes:

Daphne Jarman; and Ruth Lampman

We pray for all the faithful departed including:

Fr. David Connolly; Tony Kleiner; Roger Vuylsteke; Clarence DeVos; John Galea;
Maria Byczyk; John Mattiazzi; and Maria Ferreira

Prayer Line: 519 426-0788 ~ jeanninekowalsky@gmail.com or 519 582-2431



The Spirit of Truth and Love Catholic Prayer Group

The Spirit of Truth and Love Catholic prayer group holds prayer meetings every Tuesday evening at 7:30 pm electronically on Zoom until face to face meetings become possible at St. Mary's Lower Hall. To join the virtual meeting, please contact John or Barra at johnbarra@sympatica.ca for information. Thank you and May God Bless. John G Gots 519 583-0277

Holy Rosary Prayer Group

The HOLY ROSARY Group for the month February 2021 Prayer meet up via ZOOM, see schedule below. The ZOOM link invite details will be sent out via email. Thank you.

February 5th (1st Friday)	- 6:00 pm
February 6th (1st Saturday)	- 6:00 pm
February 13th (Saturday)	- 6:00 pm
February 20th (Saturday)	- 6:00 pm
February 27th (Saturday)	- 6:00 pm

Everyone is welcome to join the Holy Rosary Prayer ZOOM Meet Up. Together we invoking the Immaculate Heart of Our Blessed Mother's in her intercession, to keep us, our families, love ones, relatives and friends to keep to her son close in the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Our King and Savior, through the example of the Holy Family grant and the Divine Intervention of the Holy Trinity to grant Peace, unity and reconciliation to mankind, to nations and to the whole world. (For inquiries email Christian O'Malley ecmc8_1119@yahoo.com)

For your personal Holy Rosary Prayer reflections, meditations and Spiritual resources please visit the website: <https://maryourhelp.org/> Feel free to join **CATHOLICS AROUND THE WORLD praying the HOLY ROSARY**

Marriage Preparation—Catholic Family of Parishes in Norfolk

There is a Marriage Preparation Course on March 26 and 27 by Zoom. Coordinated by Mike and Pat Fiddler, it's open to all couples planning for marriage. Register by phoning the parish office at 519-582-1312 and ask for Barb Balog

Diocesan News:

Help Stop Bill C-7 (Medical Assistance in Dying)


The federal government has been given an extension to February 26, 2020 to pass amendments to the Criminal Code that will make Medical Assistance in Dying ("MAID" or euthanasia) more accessible, putting the disabled and elderly at risk of having their lives terminated, possibly without their full consent. Please encourage your parishioners and anyone else you may know to read the CCCB's response and contact their MP. More information and contact options are available at this [link](#).

The Pope Francis Fund – Application Process is Open

The Pope Francis Fund has opened the application process for grants to be distributed in 2021. Last year nine organizations received funding and this year a total of \$42,500 is available. The application process and criteria are at this [link](#). The list of 2020 recipients, including stories about they put their funding to use, is at this [link](#). Pastors are encouraged to announce the following when livestreaming Masses over the coming weeks: "Organizations are encouraged to apply to the Pope Francis Fund for grants for charitable works that help the poor. Application details and criteria are available at www.dol.ca." The application process closes on February 28.

Retrouvaille Weekends – Upcoming Dates for Windsor and London

The **Windsor** Retrouvaille Community is holding a virtual Retrouvaille weekend starting Thursday, February 11 until Sunday, February 14. Space is limited and the deadline for Registration is January 31. Interested couples should go to the Windsor Retrouvaille [website](#) to register. **London/ St Thomas** Retrouvaille is hoping to have an in-person weekend in London, that will adhere to the appropriate government mandated COVID-19 protocols, on Friday, April 9 until Sunday, April 11. If we are in lockdown, we will offer a virtual weekend. Couples must register at www.retrouvaillelondon.com as space is limited and confidentiality is assured. For more information, please see the PDF flyer at this [link](#).



The flyer is for an "ADVANCE CARE PLANNING" Online Workshop Series. It features a red background with a faint floral pattern. At the top is the "SENIOR SUPPORT SERVICES" logo. The title "ADVANCE CARE PLANNING" is in large yellow letters. Below it, "Online Workshop Series" and "2:00pm - 3:30pm" are in white. The schedule lists three sessions: "FEBRUARY 2- ADVANCE CARE PLANNING", "FEBRUARY 9- WHO IS YOUR SDM*", and "FEBRUARY 16 - ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF YOUR SDM*". Two photos of speakers, Julie Coulson and Kim Rogers, are shown. At the bottom, it says "Please join Julie Coulson and Kim Rogers BA, RN, CHPCN(C) Regional Champions for Advance Care Planning and Health Care Consent and Goals of Care Discussion through Hospice Palliative Care Ontario (HPCO)". It provides the email "EMAIL JCoulson@SENIORSUPPORT FOR THE ZOOM LINK", states "THIS EVENT IS FREE", and includes a footnote "*SUBSTITUTE DECISION MAKER (SDM)". Contact information for more details is also provided.

SENIOR SUPPORT SERVICES

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DIOCESE OF LONDON

January 22, 2021

Missionary Sunday

World Mission Sunday has been celebrated since 1926 as a universal parish encounter to bring spiritual and material assistance to those who long for the love of Christ. This liturgical event reminds all baptized Catholics of their responsibility to share in the global missionary work of the Church through Eucharistic celebrations, prayers and collections.

The theme celebrated on October 18, 2020 emphasized a personal “calling” by Pope Francis in his World Mission Sunday message:

“In this year marked by suffering and challenges created by the Covid-19 pandemic, the missionary journey of the whole Church continues in light of the words found in the account of the calling of the prophet Isaiah: ‘Here am I, send me.’ (6:8)”

Parishioners of the Diocese of London have always generously supported this universal collection as mandated by the Holy Father for it promotes our unity as a human family enabling the life-giving presence of missionaries and of the Church among the suffering and the poor.

Due to COVID-19 conditions and restrictions, the Diocesan Mission Office has not been able to coordinate the 2020 World Mission Sunday collections in parish communities to enliven a spirit of mission and distribute materials provided from the Pontifical Mission Societies (posters, calendars, testimonies, prayers, and envelopes).

Donations to support the missions of the Holy Father are however still needed and greatly appreciated in mission churches that do not have the means to sustain themselves, especially through this pandemic.

Help us ensure Pontifical Missions get the support they need. Please send your mission support and donations to **your parish** and become a missionary disciple today! Please clearly mark on your cheque that funds support World Mission Sunday.

*Please send or make payable your donations to **your parish**. Thanks.*



Income Tax Receipts

The Income Tax Receipts will be mailed out before the end of February, if you have not received your income tax receipt by the second week of March please call the Parish Office 519-582-1312 or 519-426-0887.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the week of February 7, 2021 at St. Mary's for Ruth & Louis De Serrano



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the week of February 14, 2021 for all living & deceased members of our parish families.



ALL WEEKDAY MASSES WILL BE LIVE STREAMED FROM ST. MARY'S

Wednesday, February 10 , 2021

Gordon Albert Jarman, John Scott, Roger Vuylsteke

Friday, February 12, 2021

Dorothy & Isaiah Jeffery, Intentions of the Moore Family, Agnes Caerels



Wednesday, February 17, 2021

ASH WEDNESDAY

Mary Boll, Francisco Diniz, Maria & Jose Leal

Friday, February 19, 2021

Mary Lee Flenniken, Robert McElhone, Stanley McGuire

The Stations of the Cross will be livestreamed to Facebook and if possible on YouTube.

The Stations will be in these places:

Friday, February 19, 7:00 pm at Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Church

Friday, February 26, 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church

Friday, March 5, 7:00 pm at St. Bernard of Clairvaux Church

Friday, March 12, 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church

Friday, March 19, 7:00 pm at St. Cecilia's Church

Friday, March 26, 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK of February 1, 2021

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

THE GOOD NEWS

Today's readings begin with a few verses from the book of Job. First, Job complains that his nights drag on endlessly. Then, worse yet, "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle; / they come to an end without hope" (Job 7:6). It is not exactly encouraging, these lamentations, not when taken alone.

Most of us have been there, though, and the antidote is the "good news" that Paul found so compelling that "an obligation has been imposed on me, and woe to me if I do not preach it!" (1 Corinthians 9:16). Paul felt driven to announce the gospel to as many people as possible, "to save at least some" (9:22).

This good news is the mystery of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, who lifted Simon Peter's mother-in-law from her sickbed with a mere touch of his hand. "The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons" (Mark 1:33-34)). Our woes and demons are as real as Job's, and Jesus is our savior.

BEGINNING AGAIN

If I were to begin life again, I would want it as it was. I would only open my eyes a little more.

—Jules Renard

ON LOVE

If you would be loved, love and be lovable.

—Benjamin Franklin

COMPASSION AND GENEROSITY

Let your heart feel for the afflictions and distress of everyone, and let your hand give in proportion to your purse.

—George Washington

HOLY UNION

The union of man and wife is from God.

—St. Augustine

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of February 15, 2021

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15; Ps 25:4-9; 1 Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15

JESUS' WAY

Today's readings present a contrast between "Jesus' way" and the "old way." An example of the old way is the law given to Moses and Aaron about leprosy: the leper was unclean and cast out of the community. Jesus' way is the opposite: the leper is reached out to, touched, and finally cured.

Nor ought we to think of the "old way" as restricted to the days of Moses and Aaron, or even to the "old" testament. The difference between the old way and Jesus' way arises in our own lives. We still choose, every day, to live in our old way or in Jesus' way.

Jesus dared to touch a leper, disregarding the old way. The leper then was changed forever. He felt a calling. He couldn't keep himself from proclaiming that he had been touched by Jesus (even though Jesus told him not to!). Once Jesus touches us, we are called to proclaim his way.



*Dear Lord, I know I can be better.
I want to live more like your disciple.*

*May this Lent grant me the
Grace and motivation that I need.
I will trust not in myself but in your grace.*

Amen

--Fr. Thomas Connery