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SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

110 Adams Ave., Delhi Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm Sunday at 11:00 am

St. Mary

211 Union St., Simcoe Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm Sunday at 11:00 am

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

165 Thompson Rd, Waterford Sunday at 9:00 am

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

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"

Website: www.catholicfamilyparishesnorfolk.dol.ca
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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 6, 2022

A Message from the Pastor

Dear friends,

We thank God that we are witnessing more opening of facilities for various activities and the increase in the number of gatherings indoor and outdoor. Let us know that we still need to take all necessary precautions to minimize the spread of the virus and to also continue our prayers to God to bring the pandemic to an end. May I appeal that if anyone is sick or having some

symptoms to please stay at home watching the Mass online so that we can keep one another safe and healthy. We pray that the Lord will grant perfect healing to all the sick among us. Amen.

May I remind everyone that we celebrate Masses every day in our Family of Parishes through the week, Monday to Friday. Since we belong to the same family, we can attend mass at any of these Parishes at any time or day that is convenient for us. It is interesting to know that some people from Scotland even attend Mass during the week at St Bernard Parish. What about us? Let us not limit our attendance to weekends only. The Lord is ready to dispense his blessings at our gatherings around his table every day. We have the opportunity to attend Mass every day. Let us embrace the grace that we have when we have it.

Now that the coffee shops, restaurants, and some other recreational centers are opened, many would go to these places every day, why not the church? Yes, the church is not a place for entertainment for the body, but a place where everyone is a participant in the mystery of God for the enrichment of the soul. The time we spend in the presence of God in worship with other members of the body of Christ is spiritually rewarding because "we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal" (2Corinthians 4:18). If we can find time to feed the body, let us not leave the soul starving. The Eucharistic celebration is the greatest prayer that we have, when Jesus transforms bread and wine into his body and blood as food for the Pilgrim Church on our journey of faith into eternal life. Let us create the time during the week to be around the table of the Lord. May the Lord renew in us the zeal for his love always. Amen.

Rejoice in the Lord Always! God is greater than our challenges!!

Fr. Augustine Ogundele

From the desk of Deacon Andy:

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate, but that we are powerful beyond measure.

It is our light not our darkness that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?

Actually who are you not to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small doesn't serve the world.

There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you.

We are born to make manifest the Glory of God that is within us. It's not just in some of us, it's in everyone.

And as we let our light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.

As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

--Taken from the 1994 inaugural speech of Nelson Mandela

This Sunday's gospel, Jesus says to Peter "Do not be afraid: from now on you will be catching people."



New Life in Our Parish

We welcome into our Family of Parishes through the Waters of Baptism the following: **st. Bernard**—Alexander and Benjamin General, children of Rebecca and Kyle.

WHERE GOD IS

We cannot go where God is not. And where God is, all is well.

—Anonymous

To everything there is a season \dots "a time to be healed \dots "

We pray for all the sick of our Parishes: Daphne Jarman, Ruth Lampman, Mark Pastir, and Rob and Carole Doody

"a time to die. . ."

We pray for all the faithful departed: Luis Correia

Eternal rest grant unto thee

Please contact our **Prayer Line** for anyone in need of comfort and solace. We have parishioners who share their gifts and gather in a prayerful ministry to pray for whatever request comes to them.

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



The Spirit of Truth and Love Catholic Prayer Group

Prayer meetings are every Tuesday evening at 7:45 pm electronically on Zoom. To join the virtual meeting, please contact John or Barra at johnbarra@sympatica.ca or 519 583-0277 for information.

Holy Rosary Prayer Group

HOLY ROSARY/CHAPLET TO THE HOLY INFANT CHILD JESUS, reflection, and prayers- To honour the annual worldwide celebration of the Feast of the Holy Infant Jesus as we invoke his divine supplication to bless and protect us all especially in these most uncertain challenging times. The next schedule for the Holy Rosary will be on February 5 & 11 2022, time schedule will be emailed later. Thank you for your continued support. Please email: Christian O'Malley - ecmc8_1119@yahoo.com, for details or inquiry.

Employment Opportunity

Organist needed for St. Bernard of Clairvaux Church for the 9:00 am Mass on Sundays. Anyone interested, please contact Debbie Drinkwater by email ddrinkwater@dol.ca or calling the office at 519 426-0887 or 519 582-1312.

DIOCESAN NEWS

Come and See Virtual Weekend - February 11 to 12

St. Peter's Seminary invites you to a virtual discernment retreat for men 17 years old and older that are considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a firsthand experience of the life of a seminarian, provide spiritual help for discernment and offer the opportunity for prayer and reflection. Please contact Fr. Danny Santos at vocations@dol.ca for more information or to register visit our website at www.dolpriest.ca/registration.

Veritas Lecture Series

Our next speaker is Christian Harvey, whose lecture is entitled, "Criminalizing Others for our Comfort: Confronting our Systemic Exclusion of Those Experiencing Homelessness and Marginalization." This will take place on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 7:00 PM. To register for this lecture click here. The Veritas Lecture Series engages speakers from a variety of backgrounds to explore the depth of human experience and to articulate the truth – the fullness of humanity – to which we aspire. The Catholic Intellectual Tradition welcomes and embraces this exploration as a participation in the common good that enhances the world we inhabit. For more information or to register for each webinar, go to www.kings.uwo.ca/veritas. A poster is available at this link.

God's Ecstatic Love

God's Ecstatic Love takes Francis de Sales' 1616 spiritual masterpiece Treatise on the Love of God and updates it for the 21st century. The book is packed full of key quotes from scripture and the original Treatise. The goal is to enable believers to master the most important life-skill of all: a passionate love of God. If anyone in the church would like a free copy, click on https://BookHip.com/TVCCSHZ"

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK
MASS AND THE ANNOINTING OF THE SICK
FEBRUARY 11, 2022, AT 12:30 pm
AT OUR LADY, QUEEN OF MARTYRS





Mass Intentions & Weekday Mass Schedule

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the week of **February 6, 2022,** at:

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs for Irene Verspeeten

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Monday February 7	Belmira, Joe & George
9:00 am	Curado
St. Mary	Frank VanHee
Tuesday February 8	Souls in Purgatory
7:00 pm	Annette Murphy
St. Mary	Jane Kowalsky
7:00 pm	Danute Norkus
Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs	
	Fr. Matthew George
Wednesday February 9	Thank you St. Anthony
9:00 am	Frank Cahill
St. Cecilia	
11:00 am	
Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs	John & Louisa Cordeiro
our Eddy, Queen or Martyrs	Jose DaCosta
7:00 pm	Stanley Dunanski
St. Bernard	Harry Heemskerk
	Tiarry Treemeners
Thursday February 10	Sharon Abbott
7:00 pm	Deceased Members of
St. Cecilia	the CWL of Port Dover
World Day of the Sick	
Friday February 11	Maria Conceicao & José
10:00 am	Mendes
St. Mary	Frank VanHee
-	Louis DeSerrano
11:30 am	Mary, Stan & John
St. Bernard	Zlomanczuk
St. Demard	Wieslaw Lewandowski
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12:30 pm	
Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs	
Anointing of the Sick	For the intentions of all
	sick Parishioners

Adoration 30 minutes prior to Weekday Mass

PRAYER OF THE WEEK Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, they may be defended always by your protection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Port Dover/Walsh Knights of Columbus Council 8149

will be holding their Annual Drive Food Drive at **St. Cecilia's** church February **6, 13, 20 & 27.**

Please bring a non-perishable food item and leave it at the back of the church to help support the needy in our area. Thanks in advance for your generosity and support



Catholic Women's League

St. Bernard CWL –The meeting on Feb. 8, 2022, is cancelled.

Our Lady of La Salette CWL—There will be a meeting on Monday February 7, 2022, at 6:30 pm at La Salette Community Hall. Please remember to pay your membership and to send reply to Edith from the letter.

St. Vincent de Paul

"Members of St. Vincent de Paul will be available after Mass this weekend to accept your kind donations to help our neighbours in need. Please be as generous as your situation permits."



ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP We

desperately need a few more members from Waterford parish, who would be able to pick up food from the St Mary's pantry and deliver it in the Waterford area, on a once or

twice a month basis. If you can help, or wish further information on this, please leave us a message on our telephone number 1-855-561-4184 or contact us at ssvpstmarysconference@gmail.com. Someone will get back to you shortly thereafter.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 6, 2022

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart, for you have heard the words of my mouth.

— Psalm 138:1

THEOPHANIES

Today's readings recount three theophanies, or particular manifestations of God's presence. The prophet Isaiah is caught up in a dramatic scene of heavenly worship, with a royal throne, burning embers, and seraphim singing, "Holy, holy, holy." Isaiah is overwhelmed. In the responsorial psalm, the assembly adds its own worship to that of the seraphim: "In the sight of the angels, I will sing your praises, Lord" (Psalm 138:1).

Paul reminds the Corinthians of his own experience of a post-Resurrection appearance of the Lord, making him an apostle, but one "born abnormally" (1 Corinthians 15:8), since he had no acquaintance with the earthly Jesus. The first of those who did know the earthly Jesus were surprised by fishing advice from the teacher who had commandeered Simon's boat, resulting in an extraordinary catch. Although less colorful than those of Isaiah or Paul, this theophany was just as overwhelming.