Parish Offices

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs & St. Bernard

110 Adams Avenue. Delhi. ON N4B 1P7 Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am-12:00 noon 1:00 pm-4:30 pm PHONE (519) 582-1312 EMAIL olmstbern@dol.ca

St. Mary & St. Cecilia

211 Union Street Simcoe, ON N3Y 2B3 Wednesday & Thursday 8:30 am-12 noon 1:00pm-4:30 pm PHONE (519) 426-0887 EMAIL stmarvcecilia@dol.ca

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

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

St. Marv

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 Lvnn 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 Facebook: www.facebook.com/stbstcstmolgm

Pastoral Team

To reach a staff member, call your Parish Office and use the extension provided

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Leave a Legacy

Leave a legacy of faith by remembering the Church in your Will. By planning a gift now to your parish, the seminary or the diocese, you can support the Church today and for generations to come. www.dol.ca/legacy

Bulletins can be viewed on our website: https://catholicfamilyparishesnorfolk.dol.ca/

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 15, 2023 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time—October 22, 2023

A Message from the Pastor

Dear Friend,

Pastor We thank everyone for your generosity to our parishes this past weekend of Thanksgiving. Your love for the sustenance of our parishes is highly appreciated. We thank all those who decorated

our churches. They were so good and very welcoming for us to celebrate together God's goodness in our lives. Thank you for your ministry in our parishes.

The sacramental preparation for the First Holy Communion, Confirmation, and the journey with those who intend to become members of the body of Christ have started. We thank the parents and children who have registered for these sacraments. The First Holy Communion and confirmation are part of the Sacraments of Initiation in the church after Baptism. The Sacraments avail us of the grace of Christ more and more to live a life worthy of our calling. For those who might have forgotten, they can register as soon as possible. This is a time of grace. We would like to be fair to everyone, because when the program starts, anyone coming later will have to wait.

This weekend is the Ministry Fair weekend. All our parishes need help in various ministries. We need to support one another to avoid burnout among those who are serving us presently. Sometimes when we think of the physical strength, we may have an opinion of not been able to do it, but when we come to realize that it is the work of the spirit, and that God renews our strength we find out that it becomes easier to serve. Being involved in the ministries in the faith community, gives us a sense of belonging and fulfillment in service, by putting our God-given gifts to work, in the ministries that makes Christ present in a way to others. All that we do, is connected to Christ who called us into the divine life. He said, "you did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last" (John 15:16). May the Lord bless us as we offer a helping hand. Amen.

Rejoice in the Lord Always! God is greater than our challenges!! Fr. Augustine Ogundele



Congratulations on the birth of your child and welcome to preparing for Baptism. Baptisms take place on the first two Sundays of the month. When you are ready to begin, go to the Catholic Family of

Parishes website, look under the Sacrament tab for Baptism and fill out the online form. It will go Kathryn Heemskerk's mailbox, and she will contact you for the next steps. Looking forward to preparing you for this wonderful sacrament.

To everything there is a season . . . "a time to be healed. . .

We pray for all the sick of our Parishes: Ruth Lampman, Michael McLeod, Nick and Dorothy Botzang, Bill Perreira, Eileen Nan, and Matt LeSage

"a time to die. . . "

We pray for all the faithful departed: Olga Kuska, Carol Shewburg, Maria DeFreitas, Rachel DeGroote and Sister Bernadette Flynn



Eternal rest grant unto them

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

The Spirit of Truth and Love Catholic Prayer Group



The Spirit of Truth and Love Catholic Prayer Group meets every 1st & 3rd Tuesday evening at 7:45 pm electronically on Zoom, and every 2nd & 4th Tuesday in person after Mass at St Mary's. For more information, call John/Barra: 519-583-0277, or E-mail: johnbarra@sympatico.ca

The Holy Rosary Prayer Group

The HOLY ROSARY Prayer Meeting OCTOBER 2023 schedule is as follows: (October and May months) are dedicated to Our Lady of Fatima/Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary: ZOOM invite details to follow by email -1] October 7th Feast of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary (Novena Sept. 28-Oct.7th), 2] October 13th Feast of Our Lady of Fatima (Novena October 4-13) Our Lady of Fatima "Mirale of the Sun. Novena to Our Lady of Fatima Feast Days are May 13 & October 13 Feast Days. The Catholic Family of Parishes of Norfolk invites everyone to join the annual CANADA NEEDS OUR LADY nationwide public Holy Rosary event on October 14th @ 12:00 noon ET at St. Mary's Simcoe, church parking lot. In Honoring OUR LADY OF FATIMA on her Feast during her 6th apparition, known as the "MIRACLE OF THE SUN." Please bring your own lawn chairs and candles to be used during the event. https://canadaneedsourlady.org For inquiries contact email: E. Christian C. O'Malley at: ecmc8 1119@yahoo.com Many Thanks!! for your continued kind assistance and support faithfully enriching our parishioners our church and community life. "OUR LADY OF FATIMA, OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY PRAY FOR US! for the whole Human race, for CANADA and for all the nations around the world, Amen

St. Vincent de Paul - Seeks Volunteers!!

Can you spare an hour a week? Do you have a vehicle? St. Vincent de Paul is in urgent need of your assistance! We are looking for volunteers who can deliver emergency food once a week, Tuesdays or Thursdays to our neighbours in need in the Simcoe area. If you are able to help, please call our toll free number 1-855-561-4184 leaving your name and contact information. We will return your call and provide further details. Thank you for your consideration. Together, we can make a difference. God Bless!

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Social Committee

The Social Committee is wishing to express a heartfelt thank you to all parishioners who joined us for a time of fellowship after Mass the past 2 weekends. It was wonderful seeing everyone gather, share laughs and conversation. We served over 140 people and hope this success will continue. Our next coffee/cookie social will be held after Mass on

Saturday, October 14 and Sunday, October 15th

Mark your calendars and hope to see you there.....we are planning a little something extra special.

Catholic Family of Parish in Norfolk Ministry Fair October 14 & 15, 2023

The ministry fair is a time to hear more about ministries someone may be wondering about and didn't know who to ask. IF you choose to sign up, you will be contacted for a more lengthy discussion about it and decide if you wish to try it out. It is a great time to try something new, "many hands make light work". Everyone is welcome.



Family Of Parishes Bible Study

Presently we are exploring The Acts of Apostles. There are two opportunities: Monday evenings at 6:30 pm at St. Bernard's and Thursday afternoons at 1pm at St. Mary's. The bible study will be for an hour followed by a social time with refreshments. You are welcome to join us!



New Voices to sing praises to God are always welcome. Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Sunday Choir have resumed their weekly practices every Thursday at 2:00 pm. Please come and join in, we welcome your gift and talent.



The Delhi office will be closed on Tuesday October 17, 2023 due to staff training.

State of the Delhi office will be away at a Priest Workshop October 16-18, 2023.

God our Father,
As you have given us a share in your very life,
Hear our prayers and strengthen our service to your church,
That we may know your presence,
Observe your commands,
And proclaim the Gospel to every nation.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the week of October 15, 2023

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs: Patrick Murray

Mass Intentions for the Week:

Mon Oct 16 St. Mary

9:00 am +Laurens Maissan

+Manuel Correira & Maria Jesus +Luiz Correira & Julia Correira

Tues Oct 17 Rosewood Senior Living

10:30 am Mass Cancelled due to Priest Study Days

7:00 pm **St. Mary**

Mass Cancelled due to Priest Study Days

7:00 pm Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

Mass Cancelled due to Priest Study Days

Wed Oct 18 St. Cecilia

9:00 am Mass Cancelled due to Priest Study Days

11:00 am Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

Mass Cancelled due to Priest Study Days

7:00 pm St. Bernard of Clairvaux

+John Brzozowki +Herb Smith

Thur Oct 19 St. Cecilia
9:00 am +Anne Gale

Deceased Members of the C.W.L.

10:30 am Norview

The Intentions of Residents and Staff

Fri Oct 20 St. Mary
10:00 am +Lucia Gama

+Manuel Fernandes

+Jose Correira & Imelia Correira

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

11:30 am +Martin & Tony Van Den Hurk

+Jolanta Slodki

Adoration 30 minutes prior to Weekday Mass



STARLIGHT BAZAAR

Saturday, November 18th

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

1420 Devonshire Ave., Woodstock

Penny Sale, Draws, Baking, Crafts, Gift-Baskets, Yesterday's Treasures, Religious Goods and Tea Room The Sanctuary Lamp will burn for the week of October 22, 2023

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs:

Irene, Alan & Ron Verspeeten

Mass Intentions for the Week:

Mon Oct 23 St. Mary

9:00 am +Allan & Mary De Serrano

+Herb Smith +Mary & Jack Hird

Tues Oct 24 St. Mary

7:00 pm +Eddie Laing

+Joaquim Cabral & Maria Rosario

+Lucia Gama

7:00 pm Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

+Irene, Alan & Ron Verspeeten

+Manuel Mesquita

+Mario & Albina Mequita

Wed Oct 25 St. Cecilia

9:00 am Intentions for Ella Brockbank & Family

+Kathy Gaston +Madeleine De Vries

9:00 am Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

School Mass + Marlene Murphy

+Jose Faria & Maria Julia Robeiro

Intentions of the Heyndrickx & Coppens

Families

7:00 pm St. Bernard of Clairvaux

+Eric Globe

+Leo & Gertrude Feeney

Thur Oct 26 Norfolk Hospital

10:30 am Intentions of the Residents & Staff

St. Cecilia

9:00 am +William Moran

+Frank Oliver

Fri Oct 27 St. Mary

10:00 am +Terry Buckborough

School +Mel Hare

St. Bernard of Clairvaux

11:30 am +Dave Brodie

+Herbert & Marjorie Smith

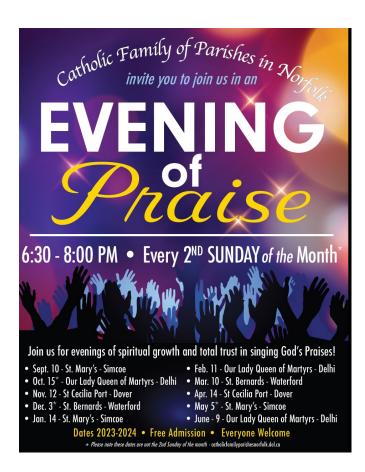
Adoration 30 minutes prior to Weekday Mass



Spaghetti Dinner \$15.00

Saturday October 21, 5-7 pm

La Salette Community Hall





Financial Stewardship

August 2023

FINANCE MONTHLY REPORT

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs Parish

August Year to date

Offertory Receipts \$ 16,894.15 \$ 141,055.09

Total of all Receipts \$ 20,184.15 \$ 201,679.04

Total Expenditures \$ 19,275.45 \$ 178,724.76

Operating Surplus \$908.70 Surplus \$22,954.28

(Excluding receipts & expenditures for Church Renovations)

August 2023

FINANCE MONTHLY REPORT

St. Mary's Parish

August Year to date

Offertory Receipts \$ 19,151.05 \$ 140,521.78

Total of all Receipts \$ 24,818.25 \$ 186,898.08

Total Expenditures \$ 19,466.08 \$ 170,583.02

Operating Surplus \$ 5,352.17 Surplus \$16,315.06

(Excluding receipts & expenditures for Church Renovations)

FINANCE MONTHLY REPORT

St. Bernard of Clairvaux Parish

August Year to date

Offertory Receipts \$ 9,364.44 \$ 71,624.14

Total of all Receipts \$ 13,649.44 \$ 95,360.99

Total Expenditures \$ 10,471.10 \$ 98,167.53

Operating Surplus \$3,178.34 (Deficit) (-\$2,806.54)

(Excluding receipts & expenditures for Church Renovations)

FINANCE MONTHLY REPORT

St. Cecilia's Parish

August Year to date
Offertory Receipts \$ 6,975.15 \$ 67,054.29

Total of all Receipts \$ 9,008.15 \$ 85,514.60

Total Expenditures \$ 13,913.19 \$ 92,094.77

Operating (Deficit) (-\$4,905.04) (Deficit) (-\$6,580.17)

(Excluding receipts & expenditures for Church Renovations)

Memorial Mass

Every year we take a moment to remember all those who have died in the past year (since December 1, 2022-November 1, 2023). A Memorial Mass will be held at 7 p.m. in each of our four parishes

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs-November 7th

St Bernard-November 8th

St Cecilia-November 9th

St Mary- November 10th

If your loved one has passed away, you will receive a call or letter to invite you to mass. If you have not heard from us by October the 22nd, please contact the office and add your name to our list. It is our hope that in coming to receive a candle and spend a moment in reflection, that this will be a source of healing and strength in your time of loss. Kathryn Heemskerk, Pastoral Minister

St. Cecilia's CWL:

There will be a CWL meeting at St Cecilia on Wednesday, October 18, at 10.00 am. All ladies are welcome.

Our Lady of La Salette CWL:

Our next meeting will be Monday November 6, 6:30 pm at La Salette Community Hall. Hope to see you there.

Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs CWL:

October Rosaries will be held on October 18, & 25th at 3:00 p.m. in Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs church. Please come and join us.

Special Invitation for Women's Retreat

All women are invited to take part in a retreat hosted by the **Sacred Heart CWL**, **Paris**, on Saturday November 4th, 2023. 8:30am registration, Mass at 9am and retreat to follow until 1pm. Dr. Josephine Lombardi will explore how our cooperation with God's grace can lead to authentic freedom. Cost: \$35 includes a copy of her award-winning book, *Experts in Humanity*, and a light lunch. Reserve your spot by paying prior to Oct. 29th. Contact Valerie by phone: 519-805-9975.

Special Invitation from St. Mary's CWL in Tillsonburg

CWL Rummage Sale.

St. Mary's Church in TILLSONBURG, corner of Venison and Rolph Streets.

Saturday, October 28th, 9 am until 1 pm.
Find us in the fully accessible church hall.
Everyone is welcome. Admission is free.
Please bring a bag (or two) to bring home your treasures.
Thank you for your continued support.

Simcoe Waterford Knights of Columbus 4502

Thanks to those parishioners from the Family of Parishes who came out to support our Simcoe Waterford Knights of Columbus golf tournament on Sunday September 24th at Springview Waterford GC. We had 76 golfers who thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The Knights of Columbus achieved their goal of helping to make our Community of Parishes stronger.

Jim Vynckier & Pat McElhone Golf Chairs



Are you gifted in technological experience? Would you like to help with our web page? Or when we need technological support for a presentation? Are you a creative poster maker? Would you like to help run the mass link or help with the screens at mass? Technology support is an area we could really use input with and would love to have a team that we could access when we need help. If this interests you, please call the office and let us know that you are interested and we will get back to you.

The trees are about to show us how lovely it is to let things go.



Job Posting

Please send resume to Debbie Drinkwater, ddrinkwater@dol.ca by October 22, 2023.

Catholic Family of Parishes in Norfolk

Position Description: Cemetery Manager

Summary

The Cemetery Manager is responsible to the Cemetery Board and manages all day-to-day operations of the cemetery. The Manager is the principle contact with the Funeral Homes, Grave Digger, and Bereaved Families (as appropriate). The Manager is hired, and salary is set by the Pastor of Catholic Family of Parishes in Norfolk.

Duties include

- Performs all accounting procedures for the Cemetery: Ledger, issue cheques, deposits, HST, Reconcile Bank Statements. Keeps all financial records.
- Meets with families to arrange sale of plots or niche at time of need and for those wishing to purchase for future use, also for transfer of Interment Rights and Site Authorization & Indemnity.
- Receives payment of plots and/or niche and interments from funeral homes or purchaser.
- Receives the initial call from the funeral homes notifying of burials, the time, date, and what church or funeral home they will be coming from.
- · Notifies the grave digger of required burials, time, dates, and where they will be coming from.
- Mark out all plots for burials and monuments. When needed to dig a hole 3 feet deep for a cremation.
- To be present at the cemetery when the service is taking place for a burial.
- Receives Interment Orders, Clergy Information, Burial Permits, etc. from funeral home.
- Receives and answers common questions regarding the Cemetery, the by-laws, etc.
- Receives calls from monument companies and provides grave locations for the installation and cutting of stones.
- · Orders and keeps all cemetery stationery in supply.
- Keeps copies of all records, correspondence, finances, survey or plan of the cemetery, a separate register for Public Inspection. etc. pertaining to the cemetery
- The Manager attends Cemetery Board meetings.
- Directs persons to Chairperson of Board if a problem or question cannot be satisfactorily answered by themselves or a joint recommendation is required.
- Keeps cemetery chairperson notified of and advises the board of any major concerns regarding policy or finances.
- Organize Decoration Day at the Cemetery in September
- The Caretaker at the Cemetery reports to the Manager
- All other duties that arise throughout the year in accordance with the By-Laws of the Cemetery.

Accountability

The Cemetery Manager reports to the Pastor.

The Cemetery Manager is an employee of the Diocese of London and complies with all the Diocesan policies, procedures, and guidelines. Must have a current Police check.

Closing date: October 22, 2023



Gift and Grit

Marriage Conference 11/04/2023 09:00 am to 11/04/2023 04:00 pm Saint André Bessette Catholic Secondary School,

2727 Tokala Trl, London, Ontario N6G 5B4, CA



REGISTRATION is NOW OPEN

for the following Programs

8 Week Bereavement Group

For adults experiencing the death of a loved one. Beginning Thursday October 26, 1pm - 3pm in Port Dover.

Grief Expressions

Half day workshop for grieving adults. No art experience necessary. Saturday November 11, 1:30pm - 3:30pm Port Dover Lions Community Centre.

Children's Grief Camp

One day camp for children ages 4- 13 yrs who have experienced the death of a loved one. Friday November 17. (PA day) 8:45am to 4pm. Jarvis Lions Community Centre.

Registration is Required. Space is limited. (There is no charge for these progr

For more information or to register please contact us at:





