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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2023—24ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 2023—25RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A—TWO WEEK BULLETIN

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In his book, The Name of God Is Mercy, Pope Francis states, "Mercy is real; it is the first attribute of God." Our Gospel this Sunday speaks powerfully about God's forgiveness and our need to forgive others. It is a theme which is focused upon throughout September.

On Friday, September 15th, we celebrated the Memorial of our Lady of Sorrows. Since 2016, the Diocese of London has observed this memorial as a day of prayer and reparation for victims and survivors of sexual abuse by clergy. Uniting in prayer on this day is one way by which we show our gratitude to those victims and survivors who had the courage to come forward, allowing us to uncover the years of abuse and call for its end. Additionally, it is a way by which we keep our pledge to victims and survivors to continue to support them as they seek healing for the abuse they suffered. Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us!

On the weekend of 23-24 September, the weekend before National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on Saturday, September 30th, each parish will take up a special Truth and Reconciliation Fund collection. We are urged to contribute and pray that our Catholic community will continue taking steps that foster healing and reconciliation among our Indigenous brothers and sisters. You could even wear an orange shirt to mark the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30th. Indeed, God's mercy is generous and is a powerful message that invites us to mirror His love for people.

In addition, we must acknowledge that the Holy Spirit continues to be at work in our Family of Parishes. This week, we began a new Alpha Course in Goderich which runs every Thursday evening until December. There is still time for you to join us! Simply contact Rachael McDonald at the Parish Office. Secondly, St. Anne High School will be running an Alpha Youth during their lunch hour. That's amazing!

And finally, Lucas Ducharme from St. Boniface in Zurich has asked to start a Youth Ministry Program in our Family of Parishes. Lucas, who participated in NET Ministry last year, met with me recently, and I have given him my full support. However, he is going to need our help. He needs volunteers to help conduct the Youth program which we hope will begin next January. These volunteers will gather on Wednesday, October 11th to receive training from the diocese. In the meantime, Lucas will visit the local schools to promote this new Youth Ministry Program. Naturally, Lucas will also need funds to purchase a Youth Ministry Program and operating funds for the biweekly meetings. If you are interested in supporting our new Youth Ministry Program, please contact Karen or Lori in the office or place your contribution in an envelope marked Youth Ministry in our Collection Basket. Thank you for supporting Lucas and the young people in our Family of Parishes.

Fr. Antoine (Tony) Laforet Pastor for the Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF September 17th - 23rd, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF September 24th - 30th, 2023

Nursing Home Masses

Tue, Sep 19, 2023

Tue, Sep 26, 2023 **Exeter Villa Retirement Living and Long Term Care**

Stephen Dietrich

Huronview Home for the Aged, Clinton

Currently under outbreak - please watch emails for possible cancellation

Thu, Sep 28, 2023

10:30am—Communion Service 10:30am-Mass

School Masses (at school locations)

Thu, Sep 21, 2023

St. Joseph's School, Clinton St. Mary's School, Goderich

10:30am School Mass Doreen Dietrich Estate 9:15am School Mass Doreen Dietrich

St. Peter, St. Joseph

11am—Adoration

& Confession

12pm—Mass

Tue, Sep 19, 2023

11am—Adoration

& Confession

& Confession

9:15am

School Mass

9:15am—Mass

9:45am—Adoration & Confession

12pm—Mass

Int. of Anthony & Lillian Hartman Francis & Doreen Hartman

Mike Langford Jim & Lynn Vanhie Int. of Pat & Elaine Jeffrey Ken, Martha & Anna Marie

Int. of teachers returning to school Phil & Patty LaPorte

Tue, Sep 26, 2023

Jim Shearon Kathryn Regier **Catherine Evans-LaPorte** Charles & Marie LaPorte & Family

Tony LaPorte **Danny LaPorte**

Int. of students returning to school Phil & Patty LaPorte

St. Boniface, Zurich

Wed, Sep 20, 2023

No Mass

Wed, Sep 27, 2023 11:30am—Adoration Matthew & Cody Ducharme

& Confessions A Special Intention 12:30pm—Mass

Joan Ducharme **Martha Overholt** John Paul Rau

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St. Peter, Goderich									
	Wed, Sep 2	20, 2023	Wed, Sep 27, 2023						
8am—Adoration	Helen, Grace and Do	rothy Lindsay Janet & Paul Villani	8am—Adoration	Joe Moerbeek	Barb Moerbeek				
9:15am—Mass			9:15am—Mass	Neil Hamilton	Patricia Hamilton				
Fri, Sep 22, 2023			Fri, Sep 29, 2023						
11am—Adoration & Confession 12:15pm—Mass	Joe Moerbeek	A Friend	11am—Adoration & Confession 12:15pm—Mass	William Van Osch	Joe & Joyce Essery				

Sat, Sep 23, 2023 Sat, Sep 30, 2023 9am—Mass Neil Hamilton Michael Molnar 9am—Mass Karen Wade Goderich Knights of Columbus 9:30am Adoration 9:30am Adoration

& Confession

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend										
Wed, Sep 20, 2023			Wed, Sep 27, 2023							
9:15am—Mass	Mike Hope Moe Jansen	Theresa Hope Sally & Paul Johnson	9:15am—Mass	John Strong Int. of John & Gera Peters Int. of Isaac Nickel & Family	Sharon Strong Jerry & Rose Vanbruaene The Nickel Family					
Fri, Sep 22, 2023			Fri, Sep 29, 2023							
9:15am—Mass	Int. of Isaac Nickel & Family	Nickel Family		No Mass						

9:45am—Adoration Int. of the Hope Family Theresa Hope & Confession

Our	ี Lady of Moเ	ınt (Carmel,	Mount	Carmel
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Tue, Sep 19, 2023 10:30am Private Family Funeral Thu, Sep 21, 2023

John & Cecile Muller Beatrice Masschelein

Thu, Sep 28, 2023

Sat, Sep 23, 2023 Sat, Sep 30, 2023 Ed Tighe

John & Cecile Muller No Mass

Precious Blood, Exeter

Fri, Sep 22, 2023 Fri. Sep 29, 2023

12:45pm—Mass Vince Thompson Marilyn Thompson 1:15pm—Confession

12:45pm—Mass **Doug Finkbeiner** 1:15pm—Confession

Phil & Patty LaPorte

Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar Please Keep In Your Prayers

T 19-Sep-2023 Rev. Waclaw Chudy, C.S.M.A.

W 20-Sep-2023 Rev. Anthony Bae

T 21-Sep-2023 Rev. Msgr. Kevin Beach

F 22-Sep-2023 Rev. Olivet Okoro

\$ 23-Sep-2023 Rev. Daniel Morand

T 26-Sep-2023 Rev. Paul Duplessie, O.F.M. Cap.

W 27-Sep-2023 Deacon Matt Sutton

T 28-Sep-2023 Rev. Christopher Pietraszko

F 29-Sep-2023 Rev. Vince Gulikers

\$ 30-Sep-2023 Rev. Richard Charrette

Cemetery Sunday in Mount Carmel

Sunday October 1st, 2023 at noon At Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

Truth And Reconciliation Fund

Bulletin Announcement (Sept 22/23 and/or Sept 30/Oct1)

Since June 2021, National Truth and Reconciliation Day was established by the federal government as a day of remembrance, reflection, and learning to be celebrated on September 30. We can all work together to help Indigenous communities heal from the traumas of the past, preserve and promote their culture and build for the future. Thank you to all those who are contributing to the special collection for the Truth and Reconciliation Fund. More information is in a letter from Bishop Fabbro on the homepage at www.dol.ca. You can find the story of how this day began at www.orangeshirtday.org.

Case for Support Brochure

A "Case for Support" brochure about the Truth and Reconciliation Fund is available at this <u>link</u>. It talks about the goals of the Fund, projects that have been supported to date and why, as Catholics, we should support it.



St. Boniface Church, Zurich

September 24th at 8:30am

Please contact Kristyn if you're interested in volunteering (reading, singing, hospitality, etc.) kristynegli@gmail.com Parish Breakfast to follow!

Precious Blood Church, Exeter

October 15th at 11am

Please contact Kate Dobson if you have any questions kdobson@huronperthcatholic.ca

Sacramental Information

Baptism

Please contact **Fr. Tony at** <u>tlaforet@dol.ca</u> if you wish to have your child baptized. Baptisms are now being celebrated during Saturday and Sunday Masses.

Confirmation 2023

Confirmation for those students entering Grade 8 this year will be celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, May 19th. However, the preparation for these students has yet to be determined. Therefore, we are inviting anyone interested in forming a Confirmation Team to help us discern and put together a program that will best serve volunteers, students and their families. The Confirmation Team will also assist in implementing this program as well. If you are interested in taking a leadership role or assisting with the Confirmation program in any manner, please contact Fr. Tony at tlaforet@dol.ca or 877-450-6414 at extension 222.

Part 2 of Confirmation will start soon for grade 9's! Please save the dates: October 14th for the Confirmation Retreat, and the following weekend, October 22nd for Confirmation. Both parts 1 and 2 are necessary for students to be Confirmed. The first part, Alpha for Youth, is now complete. The second part of the Confirmation Program will commence in September, and parents will be contacted when this process is ready to begin by the email address they provided in their registration.

Marriage

Please contact Fr. Vince at least one year in advance:

vgulikers@dol.ca

Men's Retreat

A Men's Retreat will be held on October 28-29th at Our Lady of Mercy Parish Hall in Sarnia. It begins on Saturday morning and concludes at 3:30 pm on Sunday. The retreat includes a sleep over Saturday night in the Parish Hall, personal testimonies, Reconciliation, Mass and small group sharing. They have an opening for two men from our Family of Parishes. Our hope is that we can bring this retreat experience to our Family of Parishes. Please contact Fr. Tony if you are interested in attending this retreat.



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Family of Parishes Updates and Events

What is my purpose?
Is Jesus still relevant?
Is God present in my loneliness?

How can I have hope?

Where can I ask these questions?

Try Alpha



Join us for Alpha!

Starting Thursday, September 14th
At 6pm in Goderich, for 11 sessions plus a
Saturday Retreat Day October 28th

To register click here

Registration will remain open. All are welcome!

Contact Rachael McDonald for more information at: 905-699-5447 • email: rachaelannemcdonald@gmail.com

What is Alpha?

Who is it for?

Alpha Stories

How does it work?

Who will you invite?

Check out our Alpha webpage on here for more information and to register!

Each Alpha session includes a meal, a short video, time to connect, and plenty of time to discuss. Childcare is provided.

Alpha is a space to ask all your questions about life, faith, and meaning in a friendly environment with people who like you, want to explore.

Try Alpha



Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

We look forward to a wonderful year working with you to help share our beautiful Catholic faith with your children.

We are excited to announce a learning tool called FORMED that will be used by some of our teachers, and more importantly by students and parents in the home. FORMED.org is a premier on-line platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, audio dramas, e-books, and talks - and it's <u>free</u> for every parishioner.

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"Made Perfect in Weakness"

a Family of Parishes Retreat

Sunday, October 1st - Tuesday, October 3rd

Drawing from the wisdom and writings of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, Fr. Steve Marsh will lead a retreat open to all our parishes, to learn how to become missionary disciples—not despite our weaknesses and failings, but *because* of them. Her "little way" makes becoming a Saint accessible to *all* people, because God said: "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:8). Surprisingly, even though St. Thérèse lived in a convent, she was named the patron Saint of the missions! God revealed to her the path of how a small, ordinary person can become a missionary disciple within

her own state of life, and how you can too!

This is a wonderful opportunity to get away and reconnect with the Lord without the distractions of work and life. This retreat will be taking place in Oxley at the Holy Family Retreat House (121 Victoria St, Harrow). The retreat will begin at 3pm on Sunday, October 1 and conclude with Mass and then breakfast on Tuesday, October 3. The cost is \$300.00 for single occupancy and \$495.00 for double occupancy. Meals are included in the registration fee. Carpooling is suggested.

To register please email Brenda Teichert at <u>brendateichert@hotmail.com</u> or Martha Mungar at <u>mkmungar@hay.net</u>

Please note the deadline for registrations has been extended to September 20th, 2023.

Contact Brenda Teichert at <u>brendateichert@hotmail.com</u> or 519-524-4364 for more information.

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- 3. Enter your name and email address. You're in!

Continued from previous bulletin ...

MYTH #4 "I'LL LOSE MY SON" Some parents think that if their son becomes a priest, they'll never see him. One young priest laughed at this idea. "When Thanksgiving rolls around and my brothers and sisters are busy with their children and in-laws, guess what? As a priest, I don't have any of those ties. It's me carving the turkey with mom and dad!" His point is that diocesan priests are able to spend a healthy amount of time with family. If the priest's assignment is far from home, in the Internet age, social media makes it easy to keep in touch.

Office Notice Re: Cheques & E-Transfers

Please ensure that all cheques are made payable to your parish and NOT to Lake Huron Catholic Family of Parishes. For e-transfers please use the email address for your parish found below, under "4 Ways to Donate to Our Family of Parishes". Please be sure to include your first and last name as well as your email address in the notes section of e-transfer. This is important for tax receipt purposes. Mass stipends follow the same rules as donations. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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- St. Peter, Goderich <u>stpetersgh@dol.ca</u>
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- IHM <u>ihmgrandbend@dol.ca</u>
- Precious Blood <u>preciousblood@dol.ca</u>
- OLMC <u>ourladymc@dol.ca</u>

PAD: sign-up and donate from your account. Please contact Lori Laporte-x-241 or Karen Kester-x-242: 1-877 -450-6414 or email: lhcfp@dol.ca for more information.

Envelopes: contact the office for a box of offertory envelopes.

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lakehuroncatholic.ca/donate

Did you know there can be tax advantages when donating shares? Find out more <u>here</u>. If you would like to donate shares to your parish please contact Lori or Karen. Please consider your parish in your Estate planning.

Kairos Blanket Exercise

National Day For Truth And Reconciliation

Canada's Truth and Reconciliation Report challenges each of us to take action towards reconciliation and that action must begin with education. The Blanket Exercise, created by Kairos Canada, leads participants through an overview of the history of Canadian colonization. It's a powerful experience, and it isn't easy but it can be transformative. More information about the KBE can be found at: https://www.kairosblanketexercise.org/

Parishioners are invited to participate in the Blanket Exercise hosted by St. Peter's Goderich CWL and the St. Martin de Porres committee. It will be led by an Indigenous Knowledge Keeper. When: Saturday, September 30 from 10:00 am - 1:00 p.m. Where: Knights of Columbus Community Hall, Goderich (390 Parsons Ct, Goderich) Cost: \$20 with refreshments provided. To register: go to KBE registration or email ermaweernink@gmail.com. Space is limited so register early!

Cook Wanted

Tuesdays and Wednesdays for 4 priests, paid position, cost of food is covered. Please contact Jim Van Lanen at ivanlanen@dol.ca.

Volunteer Opportunity - RCIA

This is a great opportunity for volunteers to teach and walk with new Catholics through the RCIA process. Please contact Fr. Tony 1-877-450-6414 ext. 222 or email: tlaforet@dol.ca.

Opening for Musicians in Goderich

Donna Archambault is retiring from leading the 5pm Saturday evening Mass choir! If you are interested, or know anyone who is, please contact the office at 1-877-450-6414.

Share your Talents Musicians!

Opening for Musicians at Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend and Precious Blood, Exeter. Please contact Fr. Tony 1-877-450-6414 ext. 222 or email: tlaforet@dol.ca.

Do you love to Decorate?

Do you have a creative flare? Decorators, please contact Fr. Tony by email at tlaforet@dol.ca.

CWL Parish Events

St. Peter Church, St. Joseph CWL: Labour Day Raffle Draw. We wish to thank everyone for their continued support including our generous sponsors. Congratulations to our Winners... Prize #1: Thirty Pounds Ground Beef & Charcuterie Board from Van Osch Farms, Jeremy Denomme, London. Prize #2: Four 18-Hole Green Fees from White Squirrel Golf Club, Trevor Stevens, Zurich. Prize #3: Two Drayton Entertainment Tickets & The Lake Hound Restaurant Gift Certificate, Judy Masse, Zurich. Prize #4: Handcrafted Horseshoe Cross, Mathew Overall, London. Prize #5: Kelsey's Restaurant Gift Certificate, Nancy Kurlek, Bayfield.

Knights of Columbus: Next meeting is in Exeter on **October 17th at 7pm**.

Immaculate Heart of Mary, Grand Bend CWL:

September 24th, please join us for **Coffee Sunday**. Group "A" is on duty.

Bake Sale: Our annual pie sale is approaching soon and we need volunteers for dough making, apple peeling, etc. on Monday October 23rd, and Tuesday October 24th. Please let Joan Brewer (519-238-5567 joanbrewer@hay.net) know if you are available for one or both days.

Congratulations IHM ladies who received CWL Service Pins: Maple Leaf Pin - Maureen Garinther; 65 years - Jean Mommersteeg; 55 years - Brenda DeJong, Gera Peters, Corrie Relouw, Lia Vandenberk; 40 years - Margrit Breuer; 35 years - Anny Michielsens; 30 years - Annette Martens; 25 years - Anna Linklater, Carol Cahill; 15 years - Janet Brown, Connie DeJong, Kasey Santandrea, Elaine Vanhevel; 10 years - Judy Farhat, Helen Molloy, Lanna O'Leary, Ann Sutton; 5 years - Thania Verschuere, Regina Xerri

<u>St. Peter Church, Goderich CWL</u>: General Meeting and Potluck Dinner Mon. Sept. 25 cancelled: our first Fall General Meeting and Potluck Dinner will be Mon., October 30th in the KofC 1/3 Hall.

Huron Perth Regional CWL Meeting: (formerly known as the President's Meeting) Sat., Sept. 23, 2023. Starts at 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Immaculate Conception Church, Stratford. Call Joanne by Wed., Sept. 20 at 519-612-1598 to register and carpool.



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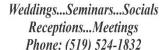


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We ask you to help us support our brothers and sisters who share this land with us, to honour our commitments and make positive change for these communities. Let us all pray for a successful campaign and a prosperous future for all.

2 ways to make a tax deductible donation:

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Truth and Reconciliation Fund





What are we doing?

We are embarking on a journey of healing. This journey is about hope for the future and recovery from the traumas of the past. It needs your support. We can help local Indigenous communities in the Diocese regain and build their traditional culture and language, celebrate their strengths and their heritage as they recover from the past and build for the future. With your support we can make a difference.

The Catholic Church in Canada is committed to walking with Indigenous people to a better future. The Diocese of London has committed to raise \$1.8 million over the next five years for this important work. We will be funding

initiatives in the Diocese to preserve Indigenous culture and spirituality, strengthen communities, protect language, and support families.



As Pope Francis

said on his penitential pilgrimage to Canada in 2022, "I've come to Canada as a pilgrim to walk with you and for the Indigenous Peoples so that progress may be made in the search for truth, in the processes of healing and reconciliation, and so that seeds of hope be sown for indigenous and non-indigenous people who want to live fraternally."

What will your donation do?

Your gift will help Indigenous communities flourish. We have reached out to the eight First Nations and the Métis Council in our area, as well as to organizations and agencies that support Indigenous people, asking them to

submit proposals for projects and programs that we can support financially, if they fit the criteria set by Canada's bishops with input from Indigenous advisors. The diocesan Truth and Reconciliation Committee will review all applications. Those approved will be forwarded to the Board of the National Indigenous Reconciliation Fund for the final approval needed to release the funds. Projects funded so far:

Thames Bluewater Métis Council Annual Rendezvous

The Rendezvous brings together the Métis citizens of the Council area to reconnect and celebrate their culture through workshops, entertainment, food, and knowledge sharing.

Kettle and Stoney Point First Nation -Giiwayshkodayaang (The Place Where You Come Home to the Fire)

The Place Where You Come Home to the Fire reflects the importance for Canada's Indigenous people of returning to a way of life that invokes connection to original teachings and to Mother Earth and Spirit.

Giiwayshkodayaang comprises four (4) core components, including the: 1) Mental Health and Wellness Hub; 2) Land-Based Healing Program; 3) Recovery Home; and 4) Emergency Overnight Shelter and Daytime Drop-In. The program serves to both prevent and treat those suffering from mental health, addiction and violence challenges, allowing them access to



alternative options to healing that complement existing western approaches.

Oneida Nation of the Thames - Healing and Rebuilding Through Culturally Appropriate Communication

This project supports the Nation's work to help Oneida through culturally appropriate communication within the community and outside of it. The program supports communications that are grounded in culture, healing, and reconciliation, and can be used with the community's youth population.

Northern Bridge - In Person & Virtual Counselling, Systems and Support Programming for Indigenous Communities Affected by Residential Schools Systems

A London-based organization that provides consistent counselling and programming in the Athabaska region due to limited access to physical health and mental health services, as well as limits on travel and service providers' abilities to travel to remote communities.

