

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 2026



North Central Windsor
Catholic Family of Parishes
Day of Confessions
Tuesday March 24, 2026

10:00 AM to 11:30 AM
at Our Lady of Guadalupe
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
at Most Precious Blood
5:45 PM to 6:45 PM (before evening Mass)
at St. Theresa

Need Help Making a Good Confession? Confession is not difficult but does require preparation. We should begin with prayer, placing ourselves in the presence of God, our loving Father. We seek healing and forgiveness through repentance and a resolve to sin no more. Then we review our lives since our last confession, searching our thoughts, words and actions for that which did not conform to God's command to love him and one another through His laws and the laws of His Church. This is called an examination of conscience. Here are a few examples of examinations of conscience for different age groups and stages of life. To access more, please visit www.dol.ca/doc

For Kids in Grade 4-6

Family (including school)

What are the things at home that I am not doing, which hurt or upset my mother, my father or my brothers and sisters (selfishness, quarreling, being unkind, not going to bed when I am told, etc.)?

Do I try to be helpful and cheerful at home?

What are the ways I know my teachers are most often displeased with me (stealing, talking back, not doing my work, disturbing others, etc.)?

Friends

What actions of mine hurt my friends (selfishness, stealing, meanness, telling tales, fighting, bullying, refusing to help with children smaller than myself, etc.)?

Do I try to share my things with my friends when they can enjoy them with me?

Faith

Do I thank God for the good things he does for me?

Do I say I am sorry when I offend God?

Do I pay attention while at Mass?

Do I say my prayers each day?

Helpful Tips

Regarding the number of times I have done something: if what we have done is something big and serious, then obviously the number of times is important. Otherwise, we might pick one way in which we are having the most trouble and ask God and the priest for special help in this area.

It is good to try to tell why we act the way we do. For example, "I was fighting at home because I want all the attention of my father." Finding the reason will help us deepen our consciences as we grow older.

For Those Who Have Been Away a Long Time (or an Adult Making a First Confession)

General Questions

Are there any major or serious ways that I have sinned against God or my neighbour, the Commandments, Jesus' call of love? Or the responsibilities of my state in life?

Do I have any recurring attitude or fault that is continually weighing me down? If so, why? (e.g. pride, selfishness, prejudice, anger, hatred of someone, sexual pleasure, injustice, lack of forgiveness, etc.)

Family

Do I love the members of my family the way Jesus wants me to?

Do I sacrifice my own desires for the good of others in the family?

Do I try to communicate with my spouse and children? Am I trying to be unselfish in living up to the Church's teachings on responsible family planning?

Friends

Am I at peace with everyone?

Am I truly honest at work and in all I do? Do I try to see Christ in my brother/sister? Do I try to make sacrifices for the poor?

Faith

Do I practice my faith regularly and willingly? Do I pray each day alone and with my family? Do I thank God often for his great gifts?

Am I doing anything to deepen the knowledge of my faith?

This information will also be available on the North Central Windsor Catholic Family of Parishes website: ncwcf.dol.ca



North Central Windsor Catholic Family of Parishes Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday – March 29, 2026 (Regular Mass Schedule)

Saturday March 28, 2026

5:00 PM – Most Precious Blood

5:00 PM – Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday March 29, 2026

9:00 AM – St. Theresa

10:00 AM – Our Lady of Guadalupe / San Juan Diego (Bilingual English/Spanish)

11:00 AM – Most Precious Blood

11:30 AM – Sts. Cyril and Methodius (Bilingual English/Slovak)



Holy Thursday – April 2, 2026

7:00 PM – Trilingual Mass – Most Precious Blood (English/Slovak/Spanish)

Private Prayer with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 pm



Good Friday – April 3, 2026

11:00 AM – Children's Liturgy – Our Lady of Guadalupe

3:00 PM – Solemn Service – Our Lady of Guadalupe

3:00 PM – Solemn Service – St. Theresa

3:00 PM – Solemn Service – Sts. Cyril and Methodius (Bilingual English/Slovak)

5:00 PM – Solemn Service – San Juan Diego Spanish Community at
Our Lady of Guadalupe (Spanish)



Easter Vigil – April 4, 2026

7:00 PM – Trilingual Mass – Most Precious Blood (English/Slovak/Spanish)



Easter Sunday – April 5, 2026 (Regular Mass Schedule)

9:00 AM – St. Theresa

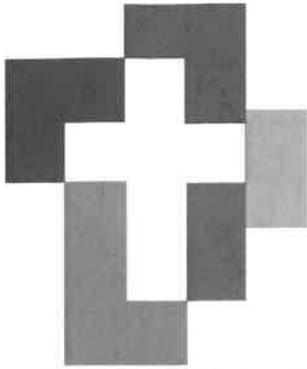
10:00 AM – Our Lady of Guadalupe / San Juan Diego (Bilingual English/Spanish)

11:00 AM – Most Precious Blood

11:30 AM – Sts. Cyril and Methodius (Bilingual English/Slovak)



Happy Easter! He is Risen!



NORTH CENTRAL WINDSOR *Catholic Family of Parishes*

March 22, 2026
Fifth Sunday of Lent

North Central Windsor
Catholic Family of Parishes
519-948-4133

*Most Precious Blood
Our Lady of Guadalupe
San Juan Diego of Guadalupe
St. Theresa
Sts. Cyril & Methodius*

Family of Parishes' Office
1947 Meldrum Road
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Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
9 AM - 12 PM & 12:30 PM - 4:00 PM

Mass Schedule

Saturday

5:00 PM Most Precious Blood
5:00 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe

Sunday

9:00 AM St. Theresa
10:00 AM Our Lady of Guadalupe
(Bilingual English/Spanish)
11:00 AM Most Precious Blood
- *American Sign Language Available*
11:30 AM Sts. Cyril & Methodius
(Bilingual English/Slovak)

Fourth Sunday of the Month

10:00 AM Our Lady of Guadalupe
(English)
12:30 PM San Juan Diego
(at Guadalupe Church) (Spanish)

Daily Mass

Tuesday 7:00 PM St. Theresa
Wednesday 9:30 AM Guadalupe
Thursday 8:30 AM MPB
Friday 8:30 AM MPB

Adoration

Our Lady of Guadalupe
Wednesdays 10:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Most Precious Blood
Thursdays 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Reconciliation

Most Precious Blood
Saturday 11:00 AM

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN for Sunday, March 22nd, 2026

Dear brothers and sisters,

This weekend, we welcome Father Libor, from Michigan coming to St. Cyril & Methodius to celebrate Mass and hear confessions in preparation for Easter in the Slovak language.

This weekend we welcome Father Mike Parent who is helping us out with our English Masses.

The Diocese of London has informed me that we will be receiving an Associate Pastor, from Nigeria, this coming week. He will be with us for a three-month period under a mentorship program. Following this three-month time period, we will be receiving a full-time Associate Pastor July 1st. Once I meet our new priest, I will be introducing him to our Family of Parishes.

Mark your calendars for our upcoming Day of Confessions within our Family of Parishes.

Though many Families of Parishes are holding their Day of Confessions on **March 25th**, ours will take place on TUESDAY, MARCH 24th. The times and places are as follows:

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. - Our Lady of Guadalupe Church.

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Most Precious Blood Church.

5:45 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. - St. Theresa's Church.

Confessions in Slovak - Today, Sunday, March 22nd following the 11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Cyril & Methodius Church.

Our Fifth Stations of the Cross will take place this Friday, March 27th at both at Our Lady of Guadalupe (bilingual) and Most Precious Blood at 6:30 p.m. But first, everyone is invited to come out to OLOG and MPB hall for Soup (meatless) at 5:30 p.m.

Stations of the Cross will also be prayed this Thursday, March 26th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Cyril & Methodius (bilingual)

St. Patrick, St. Theresa and St. Cyril & Methodius, Pray for us.

Father Greg

Land Acknowledgement

Out of deep respect for those who have cared for these lands since ancient times, and those who guard and care for them still, we are committed to tread lightly on the land, respect water and all living things as gifts of the Creator, and affirm our desire for right relations with all peoples, especially the Indigenous peoples, who share our common home.

Baptism and Marriage: Please call the office at 519-948-4133

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**Mass Intentions
March 24th - March 27th**

Tues. Mar. 24th - St. Theresa 7:00 pm

- + Godmother Amelia Polly (Family)
 - + Jessica Dabic (3rd Ann.) (Family)
 - + George Oglan (1st Ann.) (Wife, Vera & Family)
 - + Acey Wahby (5th Ann.) (Son, Allen & Family)
 - + Anna Fiorino (Luciano & Rose)
- Intentions of Teresa Khidir

Wed. Mar. 25th - Our Lady of Guadalupe 9:30 am

- + Ivo Ghione (Ray & Charlotte Colautti)
 - + Carl Kearns (Dianne & Theresa Ducharme)
 - + Domenica DiMambro (Amasio & Concetta Nardone)
 - + Frank Forstner (Kerry & Anne Marie Brode)
- Intentions of Teresita Mallare (Kati Shabo)
In Thanksgiving (St. Anne Fraternity)

Thurs. Mar. 26th - Most Precious Blood 8:30 am

- + Antoni Grizan (Mary Grizan)
 - + Maureen "Moe" Lalonde (Mifsud Family)
 - + Manuel Vicente (Dolores MacDougall)
- Intentions of Andy Schmidt (Lucy)
Intentions of Andrea Staskos (Darlene Bechard)
Intentions of Mary Kowalski on her 90th Birthday
(Putsy & Mary Kennedy)

Communion Service at Lifetimes 10:00 am

Fri. Mar. 27th - Most Precious Blood 8:30 am

- + Mary Beth (Sister, Cathy)
 - + Mario Romanello (46th Ann.) (Daughter Mara)
 - + Jeff Martyniuk (Deb Seeger)
 - + Salvatore Fiorino (Luciano & Rose)
 - + Ida Fiorino (Luciano & Rose)
- Intentions of Mary Kennedy

Reflection from Romans 12:9:

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil,
hold fast to what is good.

Church Chuckle

What's an astronaut's favourite
part of a computer?

The space bar.

**Offertory Gifts
March 14th & March 15th**

Most Precious Blood Parish

Sunday Offertory: Envelopes/Loose/EFT:	\$ 4,125.50
Diocesan Assessment:	\$ 38.95
Building Fund:	\$ 40.00
Total:	\$ 4,204.45

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish

Sunday Offertory: Envelopes/Loose/EFT:	\$ 3,744.35
Diocesan Assessment:	\$ 125.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 2,100.00
Building Fund:	\$ 227.00
Total:	\$ 6,196.35

St. Theresa Parish

Sunday Offertory: Envelopes/Loose/EFT:	\$ 4,622.25
Diocesan Assessment:	\$ 155.00
Total:	\$ 4,777.25

Sts. Cyril and Methodius Parish

Sunday Offertory: Envelopes/Loose/EFT:	\$ 586.00
Total:	\$ 586.00

San Juan Diego Community

Sunday Offertory: Envelopes/Loose/EFT:	\$ 1,575.20
Total:	\$ 1,575.20

*Thank you for your continued
and generous support.*

Sunday Friends

Please note that there will be no Sunday Friends at Most Precious Blood or Our Lady of Guadalupe on Easter Sunday, April 5th, 2026.

The Good Friday Children's Liturgy, which includes the Children's Play, will be at Our Lady of Guadalupe at 11:00 am on April 3rd. Please join us and support our youth!

Stations of the Cross

Thursdays at Sts. Cyril & Methodius at 6:30 PM
(Bilingual in English/Slovak)

Fridays at Most Precious Blood at 6:30 PM
(Soup Served at 5:30 PM, Stations at 6:30 PM)

Fridays at Our Lady of Guadalupe at 6:30 PM
(Soup Served at 5:30 PM, Stations at 6:30 PM)
(Bilingual in English/Spanish)

Easter Plants in Memory of a Loved One

We invite you to donate toward an Easter plant in loving memory of a deceased loved one. These plants will adorn our four Churches this Easter Season.

How to participate:

- 1) Print the name of your loved one, along with your name, address and phone number, on a piece of paper.
- 2) Place your note and donation in an envelope. If donating by cheque, please make it payable to the church you attend within our Family of Parishes.
- 3) Clearly mark the envelope "EASTER PLANTS" and the church name, and place it in the collection or drop it off at the parish office.

Please Note: All donations must be received by Tuesday, March 24th at 4:00 p.m. (Donations received after this date will not appear in the Easter Bulletin.)

Thank you for helping our churches celebrate Easter!

Lenten Food Drive

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul conferences of Most Precious Blood, St. Theresa, and Our Lady of Guadalupe will be conducting our annual Lenten Food Drive. Each conference will have containers available at the church doors. Your support is greatly appreciated in assisting us to help others in the community.

We are in need of the following items:

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| Peanut Butter | Jam | Rice |
| Crackers | Healthy Cereals | Fruit Cups |
| Pasta Sauce | Pudding Cups | Kraft Dinner |
| Applesauce | Shampoo | Body Wash |
| Bars of Soap | Toothpaste | |

Anointing Mass (Sacrament of the Sick)

There will be an Anointing Mass on Friday, April 10th at 11:00 am, at Most Precious Blood Church.

The Mass will be followed by a luncheon in the parish hall, sponsored by the Catholic Women's League.

If you wish to attend the luncheon, please register by April 7th with the parish office at 519-948-4133 or with Betty Recker at 519-944-3321. Thank you!

Girl Guide Cookies

Girl Guide cookies will be available after Mass at Most Precious Blood on March 28th & 29th! The 81st Windsor Sparks would love to help you with your cookie needs. Mixed boxes of chocolate & vanilla will be available for \$6.00 per box. Thank you for supporting our Sparks!

Spring Clean Up

Removal of items - Family of Catholic Cemeteries

- Heavenly Rest, Sacred Heart (LaSalle);
- St. Alphonsus, Assumption (Windsor);
- Our Lady of the Lake (Windsor);
- Rose Hill, St. John the Baptist (Amherstburg);
- St. William's (Emeryville)

Kindly remove all items from gravesites should you wish to retain them by March 31, 2026. Any items not removed by this date, will be removed and disposed of.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Linda Rochon Perrone, General Manager at lrochonperrone@dol.ca.

Thank you for your co-operation!

Beloved Retreat

Come and join us for the "Beloved Retreat Experience", taking place the weekend of May 1st to 3rd, 2026. Your personal transformation awaits as you take a deep dive into God's great love.

Join us for an unforgettable experience, you won't regret it!

For more information or to register, please call Anne Marie Staley at 519-566-9585.

We hope to see you there!

Lenten Family Calendar 2026

Pray + Fast + Give

<i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
Pray for the willingness to seek forgiveness from people you have hurt.	Fast from light. Sit by the light of one candle in your home. Remember that Jesus has called you to be a light for the world.	Turn loving actions into prayer; whether taking out the garbage or helping your child with homework, do it mindfully.	Pick a day when you fast from using electronic appliances.	When you see or hear a news story about someone in trouble, pray for the person as a family.	Fast from hitting the snooze alarm. Get up and use the extra time for prayer.	At the grocery store, pray for the farmers and all those who help make available the food that you will bring to your table.



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