Erie Tri-County Catholic Family of Parishes

Our Mission is to proclaim and give witness to the Good News of the Gospel.

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July 03, 2022— Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to our Family! If you are new to our parish communities or wish to get involved please connect with us. You can go to our website etcfp.dol.ca, contact us by email at etcfp@dol.ca or call the parish office (519) 842-3224 or (519) 875-4438.

Today's Scriptures are about announcing the Good News. They remind us that announcing the Good News of the Kingdom by words, deeds, and life is not the task of only a few. Rather, it is a task for all baptized Christians.

Mass Intentions (St. Mary's, Sacred Heart & St. Michael's)

Tue, July 5, 2022	6:30 pm	Mass at Sacred Heart, Langton Andy Zei
Wed, July 6, 2022	10:00 am	Mass at St. Mary's, Tillsonburg Deceased members of the Peacock Family; Special Intention for Dora Caro Cabrera & Family; Diane Kisilak; Jose Van Hove; Bill Willson; Maximo & Maria Lazo.
Thu, July 7, 2022	10:00 am	Mass at St. Michael's Jerry Holakto
Fri, July 8, 2022	10:00 am	Mass at St. Mary's, Tillsonburg Special Intention for Richard & Josephine Laplante; Bert & Catherine Blom; Joycelyn Alexander Morgan; Special Intention for the Than Family; Shari-Lynn Tamcsu.

If you would like to schedule a Mass Intention, please e-mail us at etcfp@dol.ca or call us at 519-842-3224 or 519-875-4438.

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St Mary's Tillsonburg	Sacred Heart Langton	St Michael's Walsh	Office Hours
51 Venison St. W.	24 Albert St.	978 St. John's Rd. W.	by appointment
(519) 842-3224	(519) 875-4438	(519) 875-4438	Monday to Friday
etcfp@dol.ca	etcfp@dol.ca	etcfp@dol.ca	9:00 am to 4:00 pm

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Baptism

We welcome into our faith community through the waters of baptism:

Braylee Langille & Jack Cargo

May they and their family always be guided by the Lord.

From Fr. Tony DelCiancio

Time Well Spent . Thank you to all the people of your Erie Tri County Family of parishes for making my brief time here in your community a fruitful and spirit-filled experience.
I am saddened to leave you after such a short time.
Thank you also to all the many ministries I have come to work with during my assignment; Parish Staff, Parish Council, Building & Finance Committees, Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League, Liturgy members and the many unsung volunteers that offer so much talent and time to your parishes.
The parish communities of St Mary's, Sacred Heart and St Michael's have made me feel very welcomed and have brought much joy and strength to my priestly ministry. I will always treasure your support and your faith as I continue to serve the Lord. May Jesus continue to Bless and protect your Family of Parishes.
Fr Tony DelCiancio

Prayer Chain Information

Dear members of Erie Tri County Catholic Family of Parishes: St. Mary's has a Prayer Chain Ministry that offers to pray for any intention that concerned parishioners offer to the Prayer Chain. If you have a prayer intention don't hesitate to send in requests from people you know or meet. The members of the prayer chain commit to pray for an intention for a period of two weeks. Prayer requests are confidential. No names necessary. First names can be used only with the person's permission. (It is not necessary to give details or private information re-request.) For example: Please pray for (a family, a man or woman, etc,) who need our prayers, who asked for our prayers, who has been diagnosed with cancer, is having surgery or is undergoing radiation treatment, etc. Don't worry about how to word it. Just keep it simple.
You can phone or e-mail your request to: Deacon Andre and Bonnie: Phone 519-409-1167 e-mail: 19andre12@gmail.com Or Rita Keating 519-842-3201 e-mail: james344@bell.net.

Pope Francis in Canada: Walking Together

The Vatican has released the program for the Pope Francis upcoming visit to Canada from July 24-29 and the itinerary for the events that will be held in Alberta, Quebec and Iqaluit. You can read the full program and keep up with the latest news, volunteer opportunities and ticketing options at *www.papalvisit.ca* or *www.visitepapale.ca*.

Please pray for

Magdolna Hasilo

"Whoever lives and believes in me shall never die" (John 11:26)

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Stewardship Corner

Offertory - June 18 & 19, 2022

Category	St. Mary	Sacred Heart	St. Michael
Regular Sunday	$ 4,332.75	$ 1,682.00	$ 515.00
Building Fund	205.00	70.00	-
Loose	247.80	89.00	118.00
Total	**$ 4,785.55**	**$ 1,841.00**	**$ 633.00**

RCIA Sponsors

Have you ever considered going on a journey with someone who is considering becoming Catholic? The ministry of the sponsor is a ministry of accompaniment. Sponsors are not catechetical teachers, spiritual directors, or experts, rather they are a living example of what it means to be an ordinary, happy Catholic. A sponsor supports a candidate through the gift of their presence, prayer, and witnesses the candidate's spiritual journey into the Catholic Church. Sponsors are required to be fully confirmed, a practicing Catholic and in good standing (full communion) with the Catholic Church. Sponsors are committed to prayer, attending Mass and RCIA sessions, and available to meet with their candidate. If you want to exercise your baptismal call, put your faith into action as a missionary disciple, and would like to enter into a prayerful discernment process about this ministry, please contact Colleen Hanley (519-842-3224 ext.225 or chanley@dol.ca).

Priests' Pension Collection

Thank You For Your Generosity!

Despite these difficult economic times, we appreciate your generous response to share in the care of those faithful priests who have ministered to your spiritual needs for generations. Your priests truly appreciate your support and thank you for contributing so generously to the Priests' Pension Plan collection. If you haven't given yet, you may still return the special collection envelope in upcoming collections or give it to the parish office. Please make a notation for Priests' Pension Collection on the check or envelope.

Vacation Bible School

Registration for Vacation Bible School is now open. There are registration forms available at the Kids Korner tables at both Sacred Heart and St. Mary's, or by emailing Leigh at lduckworth@dol.ca. Please return any forms to the office or scan and email them to Leigh.

Resting with Jesus, at Holy Family Retreat House in Oxley

Men's Retreat – July 22-24, 2022 – This led retreat will give an opportunity for men to recharge their spirit by spending time with Jesus and to unwind, reflect, and pray with some Gospel passages. Prayer methods such as Lectio Divina and Ignatian Contemplation and meditation will be introduced. There will be an opportunity for prayer before the blessed sacrament, Mass, and the sacrament of reconciliation. $285 per person. Registration closes on July 13. To register or for more information visit www.hfrh.ca or email hfrh@dol.ca or call 519-738-6136.

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This week at Formed:

- *John Paul II in America: Uniting a Continent:* The papacy of St. John Paul II left an indelible mark on our homeland. Driven a conviction to unite the Americas under the patronage of Our Lady of Guadalupe, he traveled from Argentina all the way to Alaska, shaping a generation and changing history along the way. In celebration of our country this week, enjoy this film documenting the journies of John Paul II, the "Pilgrim Pope."
- *Catholic Spirituality and Baseball:* Believe it or not, baseball can shed much light on our spiritual lives through its familiar images. In this video, Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber discuss how these seemingly opposite topics relate to one another. After watching this, you'll be reminded of your mission: to be safe at home!
- Walking through the Valley of the Shadow of Death by Adm. Jeremiah Denton: Adm. Denton spent over seven years as a prisoner of war in Vietnam. In this moving presentation, he recalls how, through the power of prayer, he withstood extreme torture rather than betray God or the U.S.A. For his valor, he was awarded and got some Medals. He is now a champion of various humanitarian causes. Enjoy his testimony is this talk!

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Reach Out Volunteers Needed

This all-inclusive and shared ministry of laity and clergy ensures that all Catholics - whether hospitalized, in a healthcare facility, a senior living center, hospice, or homebound - have the opportunity for consistent and regular pastoral visits, including reception of Holy Communion, from someone representing their Catholic community. Now that the Covid restrictions have lessened, we need you, our parishioners, to consider this ministry. Visiting the sick and the shut-in is a corporal work of mercy - one which we are all empowered to do through our baptism. What is involved? In teams of two adults (screened through the Diocese Called, Gifted & Sent program and mandated by the Bishop) you would be given contact info of a parishioner to visit once a month. Training and supplies will be provided to you. This is a great opportunity to be a missionary disciple - to put your faith into action! If you have participated in this ministry in the past, and wish to resume this ministry, or if you wish to find out more information how to be a part of this ministry, please contact Colleen Hanley at 519-842-3224 ext. 225 or email at chanley@dol.ca.

How do I Become a Catholic?

RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the Church's process for calling adults to a conversion of mind and heart and preparing them for a full and active life in the Church as disciples of Jesus. The process of becoming a mature Christian involves more than just learning about the faith of the Church. The RCIA aims to transform the entire person into an individual who has truly put on Christ Jesus. Whether you are unbaptized, or baptized in another Christian denomination, or seeking the sacraments to complete your initiation into the Catholic faith, please contact Colleen Hanley (chanley@dol.ca or 519-842-3224 ext.225). We simply begin with a conversation and share where we are on our journey, asking the Holy Spirit to help shape our destination!

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille is hosting a virtual weekend for couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. There is no handbook for a perfect marriage. It doesn't exist. Most of us never learned how to have a HEALTHY marriage. Retrouvaille can help save your marriage! The next Retrouvaille Weekend will be Virtual August 4-7, 2022 100% Confidential!! Call 519-243-0687 or visit HelpOurMarriage.org.

June Winners "We All Win 2021-2022" Campaign

Early Bird - Judie Rice
Greg Lorch
Beatrice DaSilva
John De Costa
Barb Morgan
Congratulations!

To the Family of Erie Tri-County Catholic Family of Parishes:

A message from Fr. Alan Dufraimont,

Last weekend I celebrated the Sunday Liturgies at St. Mary's, Tillsonburg, since Fr. Tony was away at a family gathering. I gave a homily about commitment and dedication and a message regarding finances and thought it most important to share it with St. Michael's and Sacred Heart parishioners, as well as the many parishioners still attending mass in their homes.

I began with a true story about Viktor Frankl who spent 3 years in Auschwitz and Dachau prisons during World War II. He was a doctor and spent all his time visiting the sick and dying inmates. He was about to escape but when he shared this with one man, very close to death, that dying man said to him, 'So you too are getting out." Those words 'cut him and accused him.' He felt he was betraying that dying man. Suddenly he decided to take his fate into his own hands and decided to stay and not escape. He was staying with his patients, not knowing what the day ahead would bring him. He gained an inner peace he had never experienced. And he also survived the prison camps to tell this story. Viktor Frankl was committed and dedicated to the task at hand.

Sunday's Gospel, Luke 9: 51, announced that Jesus turned his face resolutely towards Jerusalem. No turning back. Jesus knew what awaited him there, rejection, betrayal, and death. But for him there was no turning back. His Father had given him the task of bringing salvation to his sisters and brothers, to you and me. He would not opt out now. Jesus was committed and dedicated to the task at hand. Luke 9: 51 states: "The person who puts his hand on the plough, and keeps looking back, is not fit for the Kingdom of God." When ploughing you focus ahead, forward, one does not look back. You are dedicated and committed to the task at hand.

You and I, must be committed and dedicated to the chosen task of spouse, children, and family, as well as, friends, the job, the work, or ministry we are engaged in. Committed and dedicated to our community, our Parish Family and to Jesus. Like Viktor Frankl, to the sick and dying in the prison camp. Galatians 5: 15 tells us, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself". This is the basis, the foundation of all our commitments and dedication, which led Viktor, I believe, into eternal life. What is our commitment and dedication, to our chosen task? To our sisters and brothers and to God.

Then, I explained why I am present, only at St. Mary's, Tillsonburg, since March of this year. Bishop Dabrowski, who oversees personnel with Fr. Eugene Roy, asked me to assist St. Mary's Parish on the Building and Finance Committees. Your Family of Parishes has transitioned from Fr. Ben Huyge going on personal sick leave, to myself as the part-time Administrator, then Fr. Tony Del Ciancio here as Administrator for two months and now Fr. Seejo John coming this week as the new Administrator. During this time, I have and continue to attend the Finance and Building Committee meetings at St. Mary's, since we have some very important decisions to make about our future buildings and finances.

It was wonderful news when St. Mary's hosted a Town Hall Meeting recently and there was a clear and positive consensus with the 90 people present, that the direction and decisions of the Building and Finance Committees were good, and the direction is what is needed.

From St. Mary's Finance Committee, a few facts. A few months ago, we were on the road of a $100,000.00 operating deficit, but through the hard work of the Parish Team/Staff and the Finance Committee, the operating deficit may be about $37,000.00 this 2022 fiscal year. Some good news is that we hope to sign a contract with Tillsonburg Food Bank to rent half of the Father Langan Parish Centre. This will bring in some good income and bless our ministry to those in need. Our expenses are down, but our compensation, that is wages for staff, are up too much. We have work to do regarding staff and cutting back. This effects the entire Erie Tri-County Catholic Family of Parishes. All three parishes are experiencing operating deficits. We will continue to work with Sacred Heart and St. Michael's Parishes this September regarding finances. But here are two very good suggestions for all of us to increase our giving in the collection now. Please call the Parish office to set up Pre-authorized Donations, also known as Direct Deposit, like many of us use to pay our bills. Forms are also at the back of the church. Secondly, if you are able, for those who can, whatever you donate presently, raise that donation by 3 or 5 dollars, weekly. This would be our commitment and dedication to the chosen task of balancing our books. This will be a tremendous blessing and put all parishes in the positive.

A huge THANK YOU to many dedicated volunteers from the past and many still present today, who have and continue to keep our three parishes alive and active. Thanks to all presently on committees and ministries doing God's work and thanks to the many parishioners that do their best to financially support our parishes. What is your commitment and dedication to your Parish?