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BLENHEIM FOOD BANK

Blenheim Baptist Church. 24 Talbot St. E. Wed. 1pm-4pm, Thurs. 1pm-4pm

RIDGETOWN **FOOD BANK**

Salvation Army, 18 Main St. 519-674-3765 Tues. & Frl. 10am-4pm, Wed. & Thurs. 10am-12pm **THAMESVILLE FOOD BANK**

Thamesville United Church, 107 Elizabeth St.

FOOD BANKS:

A basket is available at St. Mary's for anyone wishing to drop off donations for the Blenheim Food Bank for distribution to those in need. There is a cubby by the driveway at Thamesville United Church, open 24/7. Take only what you need. If you are able to help with donations, please bring to the front entrance of the United Church Monday through Friday.

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> MASS TIMES FOR ST. MARY'S, BLENHEIM

WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday to Friday at 8am

> SUNDAY MASSES Saturday at 5pm Sunday at 10:30am

SUMMER MASSES St. Anne of the Lakes, Erieau Saturday at 3:45pm May to September

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> **MASS TIMES FOR** ST. MICHAEL'S. RIDGETOWN

WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday to Friday at 8:30am

SUNDAY MASSES Saturday at 5pm Sept to May Sunday at 9 & 11am

SUMMER MASSES St. Gabriel's, Rondeau Saturday at 5pm May to September

St. Paul's Church

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Office - 26 George St. Ridgetown Hours: Tue & Thur: 10am-3pm Secretary - Carolyn CoDyre ccodyre@dol.ca

MASS TIMES FOR ST. PAUL'S, THAMESVILLE

WEEKDAY MASSES Tuesday at 6:30pm Thursday at 6:30pm Saturday at 8:30am

SUNDAY MASSES Saturday at 7pm Sunday at 8:30am

FEBRUARY 9TH, 2020

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please Pray for Healing: Carolyn Malic (T), Max Connolly, brother of Linda Burk (B), Nicholas (B), Germaine Pynenbrouck (R), Connie Murray (B), Andrea Pike (R), Michelle MacLean (B), Marcel deWit (R), Irene Stepniak (R), Art Tremblay (B), Lena Mazan (R), Roger DeCock (B), Antoinette Lauzon (B), Sylvain Bilodeau (B), Ruth Demaiter (T), Denise DeWitte (B), Frank Slemensky (B), Diana and Dennis Klodt (B), Tony Driessen (B), John Irving (B), Bessie Kominek (R), Dr. Janet (Vlasschaert) McElhaney (B), Lorraine McIntosh, Gerry Willemsen (B), Jim Clark (R), Bill Van Loon (B), Lorraine Trinacty (B), Harry Wijsman (R), Leatha Burke (R) and all others in our parish who need prayers.

Please Pray for the Deceased: Please pray for those who have died, and for all the deceased members of our fami-

Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar: Mrs. Leonia Downie, Pastoral Minister; Rev. Gerald Graig, OFM Cap; Rev. Arthur Hathaway, CSB; Mrs. Christine Toffolon, Pastoral Minister; Rev. Glen Ball; Deacon Anthony Rebkowec; Rev. Philip Joseph

The Deadline for the bulletin is Wednesday at 10am for St. Mary's & St. Michael's and Tuesday at 11am for St. Paul's Please phone the parish office concerning the Sacrament of Baptism, Anointing of the Sick and Communion visits. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Half hour before all Weekend Masses or by appointment SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Please phone the parish office at least six months before your planned wedding date.

5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"Light rises in the darkness for the upright."

St. Mary's Mass Intentions February 11th - February 16th, 2020

Tue 8:00am - +Herman Kempe Wed 8:00am - +Irma Van Loon

Thu 8:00am - Souls in Purgatory

Fri 8:00am - +Charles and Mary Remsik 8:00am - Int. of John and Adelaide Vercouteren

10:00am - Blenheim Community Village Mass

- Capuchin Intention

Sat 5:00pm - For Our Parish Family Sun 10:30am - For Our Parish Family

St. Michael's Mass Intentions February 11th - February 16th, 2020

Tues 10:00 am - †Ida Goodreau

Wed 8:30 am - Capuchin Intention

Thurs 8:30 am - Special Intentions

Fri 8:30 am - †Margaret Kankula

Sat 5:00 pm - For Our Parish Family

Sun 9:00 am - For Our Parish Family

11:00am - For Our Parish Family

St. Paul's Mass Intentions February 11th - February 16th, 2020

Tues 6:30 pm - †Iona Curran Thurs 6:30 pm - †Jeanne Casier

Sat 8:30 am - †Joe Suk

Sat 7:00 pm - For Our Parish FamilySun 8:30 am - For Our Parish Family

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE, SPAIN & PORTUGAL

Walk in the footsteps of our Blessed Mother in Lourdes and join in pilgrims from all over the world on the day of the Sixth apparition in Fatima. Pray at the Basilica of St. Therese in Lesieux, the Monastery of the Incarnation, and the convent of St. Teresa in Avilla. See the most vibrant European capitals like Paris and Lisbon!!! New Prices. For more information and to register, talk to Father John.

2020 Annual Pure Life Summit-Theology of the Body All High School, College & University Students, Young Adults and Parents are invited to the 2020 Pure Life Summit – February 29, 2020, 8:30am-10:00pm at St. André Bessette Catholic Secondary School, London. Theme: I Thirst - Know Jesus for He Longs to Know You. 2020 Speakers will be John & Katelyn Bishop from FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) and i.d.9:16 Michigan; also hear from Fr. Thom Blondin, Pastor of All Saints (Strathroy), Sacred Heart (Delaware), St. Charles

(Glencoe). See bulletin board for details.

YOU ASKED:

How do we celebrate funeral liturgies?

The importance of each of the three main services in the rites (the Vigil, the Funeral Liturgy, and the rite of committal) should be stressed in the planning of funerals in order that the family and Christian community may have time to face the reality of death and draw hope and comfort in their time of sorrow. The traditional rites help the family, friends and Christian community to enter more fully into the process of grieving.

...To be continued

CHOIR WORKSHOP

The Holy Spirit works within each of us to bring the word of God alive at each and every mass we celebrate. As ministers of the sung word, creating an experience for prayer, reflection, celebration and discipleship are key. On February 24th at 7 pm in St Mary's Church, Helene and Denise will lead an evening of song and discussion of liturgical preparation with refreshments to follow. To register, please contact your parish office no later than February 13 so sheet music can be ordered.

LENTEN HAPPENINGS

Ash Wednesday is approaching!

Lent begins on February 26. The Family of Parishes offers opportunities for you to grow in your Lenten journey:
-Lenten Lunches every Thursday during Lent beginning February 27 in St. Mary's Hall, Blenheim. Come and hear different speakers talk about Lent.

-On Saturday, February 29 we are offering a Lenten Day of Prayer Retreat starting with Mass at 9:00am and ending at 3:00pm. This will take place in St. Michael's, Ridgetown. This Retreat will be given by Father John Comiskey. Lunch is included, so please register with the secretaries or Father John, so we can prepare enough food.

COR - FEBRUARY 21-23, 2020

Are you a high school student? Would you like to get away for a weekend, make new friends and become closer to God? Then COR is for you! COR stands for Christ In Others Retreat and is a weekend for youth to develop their Catholic faith, share with others, enjoy music, develop better relationships with family and have FUN! Simply apply online at tinyurl.com/cor2020. For more information call Ed & Tina Pumfrey 519-355-8223. Applications must be submitted by February 14th.

CWL AND CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN

During the year 2020, St. Michael's CWL will be collecting body/facial bar soap and powdered or bar laundry soap to assist the poor in underdeveloped countries. Soap decreases skin infections, diarrhea and pneumonia. Our CWL works closely with CFFC. Please refrain from liquid laundry soap. Laundry soap is available in bar soap or powdered detergent locally. Also if you have any unused binders in good condition, they can also be placed in the bin at the back of the church. Thank you for your support!

	UPCOMING EVENTS				
	Date		Time	Function	Location
	Feb		9:30am	Confirmation classes	St. Paul's, Thamesville
0.	Feb		9:00am	Burden Bears	St. Mary's, Blenheim
	Feb		6:30pm	CWL meeting	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
	Feb		10:00am	Ridgetown Village Mass	Villa on the Ridge, Ridgetown
	Feb		4:00pm	St. Mary's Choir Practice	St. Mary's, Blenheim
	Feb		7:30pm	Finance meeting	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
	Feb		9:30am	CWL meeting	Fast & Fresh Restaurant, Thamesville
	Feb		4:00pm	Confirmation classes	St. Anne's School, Blenheim
			7:00pm	1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion meeting	St. Paul's, Thamesville
	Feb			Knights of Columbus meeting	St. Michael's, Ridgetown
	Feb		7:00pm	Blenheim Community Village Mass	Blenheim Community Village, Blen.
	Feb		10:00am		St. Paul's, Thamesville
	Feb		9:00am	Eucharistic Adoration	St. Paul's, Thamesville
	Feb	16	9:30am	Confirmation classes	St. I auf 5, Thantesville

ST. MICHAEL CWL

There will be a CWL meeting on Monday evening, February 10th in our parish hall beginning at 6:30 PM. One of our members will be giving a demonstration on various ways of tying scarves. Please bring along one if you have one. We look forward to having you join us!

ST. MICHAEL'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The next Knights of Columbus meeting will be Thursday February 13th at 7:00pm. The February newsletter is available in the Church entryway. All members are encouraged to attend.

CURSILLO

Please pray for the women on their weekend
Women's Weekend Feb 6-9, 2020.
For more information contact: Blenheim, John
Boogaart 519-676-8404, Ridgetown, Kay Heil 519674-5028

ST. PAUL'S 1ST RECONCILIATION & 1ST COMMUNION

There will be a parents meeting for St. Paul's First Reconciliation and First Communion on Thursday February 13th after the 6:30pm Mass. 1st Reconciliation classes will be from February 20th to March 12 Thursdays from 7-8pm, followed by 1st Communion classes from April 2nd to 30th from 7-8pm.

St. Paul's Confirmation

Confirmation for St. Paul's will be Sun. Apr. 19, during the 8:30am Mass. Confirmation classes have started and are held in the hall at St. Paul's from 9:30-10:30am on Sundays after Mass.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Steve Pinsonneault for doing a new sign for the front of St. Paul's Church. He did a wonderful job, and, he donated his time and the sign to our church!

February 1st and 2nd, 2020

St. Mary's

Offertory - \$1,981.35 Initial Offering - \$10.00

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St. Michael's Collections

Offertory - \$1,837.25; Restoration Fund - \$4,445.00 Initial Offering - \$10.00; Fuel - \$285.00 St. Vincent de Paul - \$80.00; New Year's - \$5.00

Thank you for your support!

LENTEN LUNCHES

The 36th Annual Lenten Lunches will begin Thursday, February 27. Once again we are looking for donations of cake mixes, soup ingredients, such as celery, onions, carrots. We could also use eggs, tuna and loaves of bread. Lastly we can always use monetary support. Please give to Kathy Kresan or Bernadette Lobbestael, or place in an envelope and put in the collection basket. Thank you so much for your generous donations.

Our guest speakers this year are:

Feb. 27- Fr. John Juhl. OFM Cap

Mar. 5 - Pastor Aron Wiebe, Evangelical Mennonite Church

Mar. 12- Pastor Bill Terris, Blenheim Baptist Church

Mar. 19 - Pastor Wanda Burse, Blenheim Community Village Chaplain & Rural United Pastoral Charge

Mar. 26 - Pastor Tim Luimes, Blenheim Christian Re-

formed Church Apr. 2 - Pastor Johnny Washington, Shrewsbury Baptist

Youth Corner!

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Deuteronomy 31:6

Be strong and bold; have no fear or dread of them, because it is the Lord your God who goes with you; he will not fail you or forsake you.