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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

# 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

# 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

Visit our website at https://southkentcatholicfamilyofparishes.ca/ and click on the 'Watch Sunday Mass' link to view Masses. Morning Masses Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30am and weekend Mass on Sundays at 11am will be livestreamed from St. Michael's.

# January 23rd, 2022 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray for Healing: Marilyn Chauvin (T), Bob Fisher (T), Eleanor Hack (T), Sue Kormendy, sister of Joe Kormendy (B), Alen Banovic, grandson of Joe Banovic (R), Shirley Fraser (B), Jean Uher (B), Jeannie Havens (R), Mike DeCook, John Eckert brother of Margie Mahoney (B), Cathy Taylor (R), Sister Emerita, Sandra Sonneveld, sister of Randy Sterling (B), Germaine Pynenbrouck (R), Connie Murray (B), Michelle MacLean (B), Irene Stepniak (R), Denise DeWitte (B), Frank Slemensky (B), Bill Van Loon (B), and all others in our parish who need prayers.

Please Pray for the Deceased: Please pray for those who have died, Mary Sojak, Geraldine Schalkwyk sister of Mary McFarland, and for all the deceased members of our families.

**Diocesan Ministers Prayer Calendar:** Rev. Paul Nicholson; Deacon Richard Heath; Ms. Nives Davies, Pastoral Minister; Rev. Michael Dwyer; Ursuline Religious of the Chatham Union; Rev. Sebastian Pakiyanathan, CR; Mrs. Kathryn Heemsherk, Pastoral Minister

\*\*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.

Dear Parishioners,

"The people who walked in darkness saw a great light arise." For us Christians today, this light is Christ and his Word. This is what Pope Francis reminds us of by establishing this day as the Day of the Word of God. He invites us to put Christ back at the center of our lives; he alone has the words of Eternal Life. They are light and food for our everyday life.

Fr. Christophe Mbunzu, OFM.Cap.

You can visit our website at https://southkentcatholicfamilyofparishes.ca/ for updates and the bulletin (be sure to click on the date at the left of the page to see the full bulletin). Sunday Mass at 11am is available by clicking on the 'Watch Sunday Mass' link.

And don't forget to follow us on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/skrcfamily

## EXTENSION OF DISPENSATION

The dispensation from the Sunday obligation is now extended to the last Sunday of Winter Ordinary Time, that is up to and including 27 February 2022. The month of March may see further lessening of restrictions, at which time this decision will be reviewed.

+ Ronald Tabbro, CAR

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Offertory Envelopes for 2022 are available at the back of the Church. Please note that the envelope numbers 1-150 are for St. Mary's, 151-300 are for St. Michael's and 301 up are for St. Paul's. However, do not fear – your envelopes, even if you go to another Church, will be forwarded to your proper parish for deposit. If you are not presently using envelopes but would like to use them in the coming year, please contact the Parish Office, and a set will be prepared for you. \*\*Please be sure to put your name on the first few envelopes.\*\* There are also pre-authorized forms at the back of the Church if you would like to have an amount taken right out of your account.

Stewardship - A Way of Life - Sharing God's Gifts Today's Gospel opens with the words and intentions of Luke the Evangelist. He has decided to write a Gospel - a narrative of the events regarding Jesus Christ that will draw from the memories of those who witnessed his life, death, and resurrection, and who have handed on his teachings to future generations. We cling to that Gospel message, which reminds us of God's mercy and challenges us to live in Christ.

\*\*MASKS\*\* Please be advised that it is mandated by the Province of Ontario and Chatham Kent that masks <u>MUST</u> be worn in all public places at all times. Please remember that Church is a public place - before, during and after Mass.

## COVID UPDATE

Our Churches remain open with a 50% capacity limit and the requirement of physically-distanced seating. For the 21-day period, congregational singing is suspended. Concerns about aerosol transmission and the prevalent use of non-medical-grade masks in the general population make this a prudent move. Cantors may continue to lead singing without a mask from the choir loft, a stand or the ambo in the sanctuary, by which three meter (ten-feet) distancing is observed.

Parish offices are closed to the public. The secretaries will be working from home and checking emails and phone messages. They will return your calls and emails during regular office hours. Thank you for your patience.

# 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Your words Lord are spirit and Life."

## WEEKLY PRAYER

God of the broken hearted, help us to continue to listen and be open to the Spirit, not letting ourselves be discouraged. May your Spirit and your Life refresh our souls and enlighten our eyes. Let us set aside time to pray with the Scriptures in our own personal way and together in our families. We pray to the Lord.

## St. Mary's Mass Intentions January 25th - January 30th, 2022

Tue 8:00 am - †George and Agnes Prokop

Wed 8:00 am - Intention of John and Marie Vajdik

Thurs 8:00 am - Intention of Slaght Family

Fri 8:00 am - Souls in Purgatory
Sat 5:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
10:30 am - For Our Parish Family

## St. Michael's Mass Intentions January 25th - January 30th, 2022

Tue 8:30 am - Capuchin IntentionWed 8:30 am - Special Intentions

Thurs 8:30 am - Souls in Purgatory

Fri 8:30 am - †Joseph & Caroline Martens

8:30 am - †Cathy Koolen

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 January 25th - January 30th, 2022

Tue 6:30 pm - Capuchin Intentions
Thurs 6:30 pm - Capuchin Intentions
Sat 8:30 am - Capuchin Intentions
Sat 7:00 pm - For Our Parish Family
Sun 8:30 am - For Our Parish Family

## CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN

If you have any leftover hard candy from Christmas, please consider donating it to Canadian Food for Children. They use it to reward the children after medication.

# OFFERTORY JANUARY 15TH & 16TH, 2022

**St. Mary's**: Offertory \$1,100.75 **St. Michael's**: Offertory \$1,511.05 **St. Paul's**: Offertory \$677.00

Thank you to all who continue to support our Parish, both spiritually and financially.

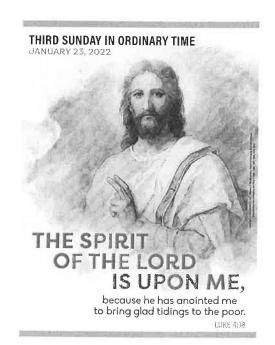
Please make cheques payable to the Church you are attending. The banks will not cash cheques made out to North American Martyrs or South Kent Catholic Family of Parishes.

# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ST. JOSEPH ICON

The Knights of Columbus are circulating an Icon to St Joseph within our Councils. It will be displayed at each of our parishes over the next 3 weeks. We will have the "Prayer to St Joseph" prayed before each Mass asking for his help and guidance in our lives. There will be leaflets in each pew with this prayer for your convenance. Please help us commemorate this humbly and obedient servant and our Patron Saint of Canada. St Mary's had it on the weekend of January 8 & 9, St Michael's had it on the weekend of January 15 & 16 and St Paul's/St Charles' will have it on the weekend of January 22 & 23.

### St. Michael's Poinsettias

If you anyone would like a poinsettia, please feel free to take one home.





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Salvation Army, 18 Main St. 519-674-3765 Tues. 8 Fri. 10am-4pm, Wed. 8 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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