



**Sarnia Bluewater
Roman Catholic
Family of Parishes**

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please call the business office at
519-336-2653 EXT. 9**

and leave a message.

**Voice messages will go to the
parish email and will be checked.**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

REFLECTION ~ Rev. Dan Vere

A hard sell !

Last week in the Gospel people in the temple are amazed and delighted with Jesus. This week, his own people in his own home town want to stone Him, throttle Him and throw Him off the cliff .

Such is the beginning of Jesus' miraculous healing mission and the spectacular rejection of the Christ and our Blessed Lord. We can often forget just how dramatic and climactic the journey was for Jesus, his disciples, followers and apostles.

Like the paschal week of Palm Sunday and Easter, the world changes in one large turn and the Beloved Lord becomes the despised outcast and dies with some unfortunate criminals. So, we must seek to be vigilant to serve God, to seek God and listen every day for the careful prompting of Jesus and the Holy Spirit. How necessary, then, the importance of receiving and activating the gifts spoken of in the second reading. Faith hope and love combine to address our baser instincts and ease our temptations if we let the grace take hold and lead and comfort us .

Finally, I am immensely grateful for moments I experienced over the past week. I spoke, in earnest, with over a dozen people about ministry and some challenges in our community. Here are some of those blessings:

- * I heard back from 15 pastors of our sister churches in the community regarding a care and effort for the homeless ...we will connect next week.
- * I received 5 reports of successful stories and ways the community and churches have supported and eased homelessness
- * We had a wonderful and joyful Team meeting earlier in the week
- * Even with our 4 languages there are 20-25 other elements of our communication efforts and strategy to be discerned and ironed out.

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Reflection continued...

- * We brought two new people into our family and team --see next 2 items
- * Fr. Innocent (really that's his first name) has joined us for a four-month mentoring and orientation period to best prepare him for ministry in our diocese.
- * I am to be his mentor, so please. please pray for us BOTH!
- * Mr. Louis Guimond has joined us as our new business administrator---these are powerful positive and effective steps---necessary steps for us to be effective, efficient and evangelization communities.

Finally, and perhaps as no surprise we have begun to outline the best ways and forms of communication that we can as a family of parishes .

Finally, and perhaps most wonderfully, we, the staff of the family of parishes, thank each one of you and all of you for your faithfulness support and prayers.

None of the moments can come about without your prayers, kindness, support and showing up.

So, as ever, we are humbled and grateful in serving you and grateful to be each and all a part of this great and unfolding venture of faith !!



ALPHA is for everyone!

We all have questions. Perhaps life has been kind to you, great job, perfect family, good health, solid friends and robust faith. Or maybe you have lost your job, friends and family have fallen away or died, your faith went south and money is tight. You might regularly attend church, occasionally or not at all. What seemed obvious once, is seen through a glass darkly. Who do you ask about life's searching questions?

Alpha is an exploration of Christianity in bite size chunks including: Why did Jesus die? Who is the Holy Spirit? Does God heal today? Watch a video, discuss some issues in a small group setting and spend a couple of meaningful hours for a few evenings, instead of binging on Netflix.

Usually Alpha is held in a hall, with a live gathering that includes a meal. With Covid-19 setting the rules, we are using Zoom, so you can attend from the comfort of home. PJs and coffee, what could be easier.

Here are some comments from past guests:

- “I wanted to learn more about my Christian walk, this was a great experience” Donna S.
- “God took my concerns and turned them into victories” John P.
- “I have to open my heart to Jesus and quit being afraid. The prayer time was special” Sue B.

The next session begins on Tuesday February 15 at 7pm and runs until April 26th.

Register on line at www.sbrcfp.dol.ca or call 519-336-2653.



Pray for Vocations: December 30th to Feb 5th

Sunday: Rev. Franklin Mizzi C.S.B.

Monday: Mrs. Darlene Van Bakel, Youth Ministry

Tuesday: Rev. Christopher Bourdeau

Wednesday: Rev. Sekar Raj

Thursday: Mrs Maija Wilson, Campus Minister

Friday: Rev. Gilbert Simard

Saturday: Mrs. Rachelle Leslie, Pastoral Minister

Please remember to pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis

*We pray for all who have died
and for those who mourn
their passing.*

Antonio Taraborrelli

Hap Gottfried

Ron Moran

Carolyn Romlewski



Weekday Mass Intentions - January 31 to February 6

Monday, January 31		
8:00 AM Queen of Peace – English +Stanislawa W. ~ Friend +Mrs. Gdula ~ Friend	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Tonino Pintus ~ Wife & Children Intention of Brad & Isobel Kelch ~ Julie & Terri Intention of Jean Marayan ~ Juliet Estanol	6:30 PM St. Michael Lenor Chavez ~ Brian & Carol For the Staff & Residents of Sumac Lodge ~ Carol For the intentions of Brian & Kim ~ Rose & George
Tuesday, February 1		
8:30 AM Sacred Heart Desmond Pigott ~ The Family Maggy Barnfield ~ Jackie Chartrand John Nowak ~ K of C Council 1429 Dr. John & Kathleen Schwab ~ Steve & Margaret Schwab	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Maria Bucci ~ Salvatore & Eileen Evangelista Deceased Members of Dottori Family ~ Mary 7:00 PM St. Thomas d'Aquin-French Justin Bourassa~ Leslie & Larry Green	7:00 PM Queen of Peace – Polish +Maria Pradyszczuk ~ JP +Maria I Błażej Studziński ~ JP 6:30 PM St. Benedict Giovanni Di Scanno ~ Family Stephen Popen ~ St. Benedict CWL David Ngongang ~ Tamptse's Family, Son, Daughter-in-law & Grandchildren
Wednesday February 2		
8:30 AM St. Michael Rachel & Cindy Schwab ~ Steve & Margaret Schwab	9:30 AM St. Joseph Mary Veronica Barcroft ~ Valerie Barcroft Mary Brunton ~ Jim & Mary Turner Intention of Derek Berdusco ~ Aime & Liz Guindon 7:00 PM Queen of Peace – Polish +Mirek Za Parafian	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Concetta Saurini ~ Giuseppina De Carolis Mary Simrak ~ Simrak & Lefort Family Edmond Chamberlain ~ Wayne & Susan Chamberlain 7:00 PM St. Thomas d'Aquin Deceased Members of Birmingham Family ~ Linda & Peter Marchen
Thursday, February 3		
8:00 AM Queen of Peace – English +Małgorzata Lang ~ H&G +Carolyn Romlewski ~ Bernice Rade 12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Kenneth Bryson ~ Sarnia Bluewater R.C. Family of Parishes	6:30 PM St. Benedict Intentions of Mary & Jackie Detailleur ~ Paddy & Marilyn Catherine Jackman ~ St. Benedict CWL Intention of Marie-Gabrielle Tamptse ~ Liliane Tamptse	6:30 PM Sacred Heart Maggy Barnfield ~ SBRCFP Pastoral Council John Nowak ~ Peter & Stella Pasquale DeCarolus ~ Daughter, Maria & Lou Cicchini For the intentions of Barb & Family ~ Peter & Stella For the intentions of Matt & Jennifer ~ Roddy Karen Gallagher

	Friday, February 4	
8:30 AM Sacred Heart Mark Flemming ~ Tom Devereaux Pamela King ~ Irene Koh & Mary Pizans Maggy Barnfield ~ Irene Koh Kandace Fode ~ The Costain Family Dr. John & Kathleen Schwab ~ Steve & Margaret Schwab	8:30 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin Les âmes du purgatoire ~ Patricia Lajoie-Sparks 7:00 PM Queen of Peace – Polish +Maria Pradyszczuk ~Córka z Rodzina	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Souls in Purgatory ~ Joe & Fernanda Aguiar Robert Murray ~ Delores Murray Joe Seward ~ Knights of Columbus Council 1429
	Saturday, February 5	
8:00 AM Queen of Peace – English +Giuseppina Vennettilli ~ Jim Persichetti 8:30 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - Bilingual Patrick Raymond ~ Terry & JoAnne Burrell	8:30 AM St. Michael Rachel & Cindy Schwab ~ Steve & Margaret Schwab Prayers of Healing for Trish Berg ~ George Stanko	9:30 AM St. Joseph Intention of Johanne Fillion ~ Cheryl, Steve, Lauren & Emily Daniel Medeiros ~ Marguerita Teixeira Don Pethick ~ Pat Hummel & Family

WEEKEND CONFESSION & MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Confessions

8:45 - 9:30am: Queen of Peace ~ Sacristy
9:15 - 10:00am: St. Michael ~ Hall
9:15 - 10:00am: St. Thomas d'Aquin ~ Hall
11:00am-12:00pm: Our Lady of Mercy ~ Hall
Confessions are also available by appointment by calling the parish office.

Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00pm - Our Lady of Mercy
5:00pm - Queen of Peace
+Nan Smyth ~ Gerard & Jackie Prentice
5:00pm - St. Michael, Bright's Grove
5:30pm - Sacred Heart
5:30pm - St. Thomas d'Aquin (Spanish)
6:00pm - St. Benedict

Sunday Masses

8:30am - Our Lady of Mercy
9:00am - Queen of Peace
+Richard & Ann Harris ~ Family
9:00am - Sacred Heart
9:00am - St. Benedict
9:00am - St. Thomas d'Aquin
10:30am - St. Michael, Bright's Grove
11:00am - Queen of Peace (Polish)
11:00am - Sacred Heart
11:00am - St. Joseph
11:00am - St. Thomas d'Aquin (French)
6:30pm - St. Benedict

Dear Friends of Gianna Home!

We are almost to the finish line....we are still looking for loving Volunteers for 2 - Daytime shifts- 7am -3pm,
1- afternoon shift 3pm -11pm and 2 - night shift 11pm -7am.
If interested please email chairperson@giannahome.ca
Thank you for your support and prayers!

ST JOSEPH C.W.L.

MEETING CANCELLATION

The February 5th meeting has been rescheduled to March 5th; 12PM-3PM.



Welcome Fr. Innocent Ibeh

Bishop Fabbro has asked our Family of Parishes to temporarily accommodate a new priest from Nigeria by the name of Fr. Innocent Ebay, until the end of June 2022. Fr. Innocent will be residing at Sacred Heart Parish with Fr. Dan Vere.

Since Bishop Fabbro has granted Fr. Innocent faculties to celebrate all the sacraments in our Diocese, he will be presiding at some of the Masses within the Family of Parishes.

Please extend Fr. Innocent a warm welcome to Canada as he learns our culture and is prepared to be placed on a more permanent basis in one of the families in the next priest move of July 2022.

Fr. Brian Jane

Liturgy of the Word with Children Prayer Service



Please use the following links to access this week's lesson and kids' bulletin.

[January 30, 2022 - \(Year C\)](#)
[Kids Bulletin](#)

Readings for Sunday, January 30, 2022

1st Reading:
Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

2nd Reading:
1 Cor 12:31-13:13

Gospel:
Lk 4:21-30

~ Prayer Requests in Our Family of Parishes ~

If you wish to have yourself or a family member included in prayers for those who are sick please contact the Family of Parishes office at 519-336-2653.

New prayer intentions will be included in the bulletin for 3 weeks and have been added to the full listing of prayer requests on our Family of Parishes website at this [link](#).

If you wish to have your prayer request renewed after three weeks, please let us know.

Please Pray For



Maurice Braet
Johanne Fillion
Scott Hummell
Donny
Joe Maheu

UNITED IN PRAYER

Everyone is welcome to bring their prayer intentions and unite in a time of prayer for the Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes.

We meet weekly to pray for our priests, deacons, leadership team and all of our parishioners and their intentions following the 9:30 Mass at St. Joseph Church 293 Stuart Street.

If you are unable to attend, but would like a prayer of intercession raised at this time, you can forward your prayer intentions to Bill and Christine: bnelson1959@yahoo.ca & christine.bresette@gmail.com

Come and See Virtual Weekend - February 11 to 12

St. Peter's Seminary invites you to a virtual discernment retreat for men 17 years old and older that are considering a call to the priesthood.

This weekend offers a firsthand experience of the life of a seminarian, provide spiritual help for discernment and offer the opportunity for prayer and reflection.

Please contact Fr. Danny Santos at vocations@dol.ca for more information or to register visit our website at www.dolpriest.ca/registration.

Ways to Make Donations to your Parish...

Interac e-Transfer now available at all parishes.

Just a reminder that *Interac* e-Transfer is a quick and easy way to donate to your parish, or to pay for a mass intention. Please use the message field to ensure that your transfer goes to the appropriate parish fund (i.e. donation, SSVP, Mass intention, etc)

Please use the following emails on your online banking platform when making your transfer to your respective parish. No need for a security question, as we are set up with *Autodeposit*.

Consider enrolling in Pre-Authorized Donations directly from your bank account. Please contact Lisa at ldesena@dol.ca or Cathy at ccimetta@dol.ca, or by calling 519-336-2653.

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St Michael	stmichaelbg@dol.ca
Sacred Heart	shsarnia@dol.ca
Queen of Peace	qofpeace@dol.ca
St Thomas d'Aquin	sta@dol.ca

They will be happy to assist you in the set- up.

LIVESTREAMED MASS IN OUR CHURCHES

The Family of Parishes Sunday Mass recording from St. Benedict Church is also available on Cogeco channel 6 with all our Family of Parishes priests taking turns serving as the celebrant at this Mass.

Please note that some recorded Sunday masses on Cogeco may run longer so the Rosary prayed before the mass may need to be shortened to accommodate.

Daily Televised Masses...

If Cogeco is your provider:

Cogeco TV—channel 6(Sunday 12 noon)
EWTN—channel184
(contact Cogeco to have it set up)

VisionTV—channel24
(Mass times 8a.m. and 12 noon)
Salt & Light—channel 185

If Bell is your provider:

EWTN—channel 633
Vision TV—channel 261
(Mass times 8a.m. and 12 noon)

If you are on Shaw direct satellite:

Shaw direct advanced—EWTN channel 292
Shaw classic—EWTN channel 559
Shaw national—EWTN channel 28

The Pope Francis Fund - Application Process is Open

The Pope Francis Fund has opened the application process for grants to be distributed in 2022. Last year eight organizations received funding and this year a total of \$46,500 is available. Click [here](#) to see last year's recipients. The application process and criteria are at this link.

Organizations are encouraged to apply to the Pope Francis Fund for grants for charitable works that help the poor. Application details and criteria are available at www.dol.ca. The application process closes on February 28.

QUEEN OF PEACE CHURCH ~ KOŚCIÓŁ KRÓLOWEJ POKOJU

1. OFIAROWANIE PAŃSKIE (Matki Bożej Gromnicznej) przypada w środę, 2 lutego.

Msza sw., w języku polskim i poświęcenie gromnic, o 7-mej wieczorem.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD is on Wednesday, February 2, ~ Mass in Polish at 7:00pm

2. W tym tygodniu, PIERWSZY PIĄTEK miesiąca, Wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu (4 stycznia, o 6:00 pm), Zapraszamy na modlitwę.

FIRST FRIDAY, (February 4, at 6:00pm), Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Drodzy Parafianie z kościoła Matki Bożej Królowej Pokoju,

ziękuję Wam bardzo za podarowanie tzw. Gift card, przeznaczonych na program Yule Christmas Hamper. Doceniamy Państwa troskę o osoby w trudnej sytuacji materialnej, zwłaszcza w okresie świątecznym. Wasze ofiarne wsparcie pomogło wielu ludziom dać pożywienie, nadzieję i szczęście.

Dziękuję bardzo , niech Pan Bóg błogosławi każdemu z Was!

Sue Platt, Yule Glow Coordinator



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*Serving the Parishes of Our Lady of Mercy, Queen of Peace, Sacred Heart,
St. Benedict, St. Joseph, St. Michael, St. Thomas d'Aquin*

We are pleased to announce that Louis Guimond has joined our Family of parishes as the new Business Administrator effective January 24, 2022. Louis comes to us with extensive experience in human resource management and financial supervision.

He held the position of Chief Engineering Officer for the Canadian Coast Guard for many years and was a Team Leader in several strategic projects on behalf of federal agencies.

Louis presently serves on the Board of Directors at Bluewater Health as Treasurer. He is a chartered accountant with a CPA and CGA designations. Welcome Louis to our team!

Also, we thank Chris Doyle for his 12 months of valuable service guiding us through the transition phase of our Family from January 1, 2021, to our enactment on July 1, 2021, and then the first 6 months of operations from July 1 to the end of last year. Thank you, Chris, for your outstanding contribution!

Brian Jane (Rev.)

Pastor, Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes

Hello, bonjour

My name is Louis Guimond and I have just been appointed the Business Administrator for the Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes. My family have been parishioners at Sacred Heart ever since we moved to the area 22 years ago. A move that formed part of my career progression in the Canadian Coast Guard.

A career that evolved over a 35-year time frame. It saw me sailing on Canada's three oceans and the Great Lakes and a move to shore side management in Sarnia. In fact, my last sea posting was as Chief Engineer on the Griffon, a common sight on the St Clair. I held a number of management posting in the Coast Guard which led me to Ottawa and the Maritimes along with many challenging responsibilities in fields ranging from marine and civil engineering to national security. I completed my tour of duty at the Coast Guard College as Director of Studies responsible for the formation of new ship's officers.

Having decided to come home and spend more time with my family, I retired in 2015 and started doing volunteer work in the area. Currently I am the Board Treasurer at Bluewater Health and the President of the Centre culturel francophone Jolliet.

As an accountant and leader, I am looking forward in helping our 7 parishes to grow in resiliency and vigor while living the mission and vision we all share as Catholics.