

**Sarnia Bluewater
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**Famille des Paroisses
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de Sarnia Bluewater**

*Welcoming Communities, Encountering Christ, Sharing Faith and Caring for All.
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9:00am to 5:00pm

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Sarnia ON N7T 5V9

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Sarnia ON N7V 1Z4

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Sarnia ON N7V 3J4

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Sarnia ON N7S 1J4

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SUNDAY, July 14, 2024 & July 21, 2024
Fifteenth and Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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to contact us and to learn more about us
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TUESDAY, JULY 16th
From 9AM to 1PM

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor:

Rev. Brian Jane ex.222

Associate Pastors:

Rev. Jan Burczyk C.S.M.A. ex.226
Rev. José Montepeque ex.225
Rev. Joseph Oghenejabor ex.224
Rev. Edward Okorie ex.230

Lay Ecclesial Minister

Leonia Downie ex.228

Family & Youth

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Deacons

Deacon David Cummings ex.235
Deacon David Kraemer ex.238
Deacon Christopher Stoesser

PASTORAL STAFF

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Lisa DeSena ex.242

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Anna lafrate ex.200
Michelle Christie ex.201
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Communications Coordinator

Annie Ferrera ex.221

Custodial Staff

519-336-2653
Calls will be directed to
caretakers.

In Case of a Pastoral Emergency please call the parish office at 519-336-2653 EXT. 9 and leave a message.
Voice messages will go to the parish email and will be checked and calls returned.

En cas d'urgence pastorale, veuillez appeler le bureau paroissial au 519-336-2653 EXT. 9 et laisser un message.
Les messages vocaux iront au courrier électronique de la paroisse et seront vérifiés et les appels seront retournés.

Reflection ~ Fr. Brian

Today's second reading from Ephesians 1 is one of the most positive passages of how much we are blessed as Christians anywhere in scripture. I will take just the first verse which states "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places." This is a reality because when Jesus ascended into heaven, he took our human nature with Him. For the first time the heavenly throne contains our humanity, much like a flag or monument planted in a newly discovered paradise, and marks where we are meant to follow. More than that, Jesus' body, including the wounds of the crucifixion, means that He continues to offer His "once and for all" sacrifice to the Father on our behalf, as High Priest of the Heavenly liturgy. As a result, we not only receive the blessings of this sacrifice but have the great privilege of joining our sacrifices to Christ when we go to Mass. In response, Jesus gives us His Body, Blood and Divinity in the Eucharist by which we partake in the Divine Nature. Furthermore the Catechism states that the Mass here on earth participates in the Divine liturgy in heaven. Through all these ways, we are blessed in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places.

Réflexion ~ Fr. Brian

La deuxième lecture d'aujourd'hui, tirée d'Éphésien 1, est l'un des passages les plus positifs de l'Écriture sur la bénédiction dont nous sommes l'objet en tant que chrétiens. Je ne prendrai que le premier verset, qui dit : "Béni soit le Dieu et Père de notre Seigneur Jésus-Christ, qui nous a bénis en Christ de toute bénédiction spirituelle dans les lieux célestes". C'est une réalité, car lorsque Jésus est monté au ciel, il a emporté avec lui notre nature humaine. Pour la première fois, le trône céleste contient notre humanité, un peu comme un drapeau ou un monument planté dans un paradis nouvellement découvert, marquant l'endroit où nous sommes censés suivre. Plus encore, le corps de Jésus, y compris les blessures de la crucifixion, signifie qu'il continue d'offrir son sacrifice "une fois pour tous" au Père en notre nom, en tant que grand prêtre de la liturgie céleste. Par conséquent, nous ne recevons pas seulement les bénédictions de ce sacrifice, mais nous avons le grand privilège de joindre nos sacrifices à ceux du Christ lorsque nous allons à la messe. En réponse, Jésus nous donne son corps, son sang et sa divinité dans l'Eucharistie, à laquelle nous participons dans la Nature Divine. Le catéchisme affirme que la messe ici sur terre participe à la divine liturgie au ciel. En plus, par tous ces moyens, nous sommes bénis dans le Christ par toutes les bénédictions spirituelles dans les lieux célestes.



Hearty and warm greetings to you, brothers and sisters of the Sarnia faith community! I am Fr. Edward Okorie of the Congregation of the Holy Ghost, the Spiritans. Originally from the south east of Nigeria, and first child of eight children, one of whom is a religious woman, I was ordained in 1989 after my first degree in biblical and systematic theology at the Catholic Institute of Paris.

During my almost 30 years in one of our Spiritan missions in the French Guiana (north east of Latin America), I had the opportunity to go grab a licentiate in liturgy at Regis College, University of Toronto, from 2004 to 2007. I stopped over in Nigeria at our minor seminary, the Holy Ghost Juniorate Seminary Ihiala, where I was involved in the initiation of our minor seminarians into the French language and culture from 2018 to 2023. It is from there that in October 2023, I was called back to Canada. By March 2024 I was asked to come join in the spreading of the Gospel in the Diocese of London. And so, here I am in this charming and exciting Christian Community of Sarnia, ready to accompany and help you in my little and humble way in "Encountering Christ,

Sharing Faith, (and) Caring for All", as the community motto stipulates. My other passions are soccer, table tennis, basketball, reading and cinema.

Salutations chaleureuses à vous, frères et sœurs de la communauté chrétienne de Sarnia ! Je suis le père Edward Okorie de la Congrégation du Saint-Esprit, les Spiritains. Originaire du sud-est du Nigéria et aîné d'une famille de huit enfants, dont une religieuse, j'ai été ordonné en septembre 1989 après avoir obtenu un baccalauréat en théologie biblique et systématique à l'Institut catholique de Paris.

Pendant mes presque 30 ans dans une de nos missions spiritaines en Guyane française (nord-est de l'Amérique latine), j'ai eu l'opportunité d'aller obtenir une licence en liturgie au Regis College, Université de Toronto, de 2004 à 2007. J'ai fait une grosse escale au Nigéria à notre petit séminaire, le Holy Ghost Juniorate Seminary Ihiala, où j'ai participé à l'initiation de nos petits séminaristes à la langue et à la culture françaises de 2018 à 2023. C'est à partir de là qu'en octobre 2023, j'ai été rappelé au Canada. En mars 2024, on m'a demandé de participer à la proclamation de l'Évangile dans le diocèse de London. Me voici donc dans cette charmante et passionnante Communauté Chrétienne de Sarnia, prêt à vous accompagner et à vous aider de ma petite et humble manière à "Rencontrer le Christ, Partager la Foi, (et) Prendre soin de tous (et de toutes)", comme le stipule la devise de la communauté. Mes autres passions sont le football, le tennis de table, le basket-ball, la lecture et le cinéma.

Pray for Vocations: July 14 to July 20

Sunday: Ms. Donna Sousa, Coordinator of Family & Youth Ministry

Monday: Mr. Christopher Laforet, Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Tuesday: Deacon Donald McCullough

Wednesday: Deacon Donald St. Onge

Thursday: Deacon Marcel DeClerk

Friday: Deacon Jack Grim

Saturday: Rev. Antoine (Tony) Laforet

Please remember to pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis

**Readings for
Sunday, July 14, 2024**

1st Reading:

Amos 7: 12-15

2nd Reading:

Ephesians 1: 3-14

Gospel

Mark 6: 7-13

Pray for Vocations: July 21 to July 27

Sunday: Rev. Andrew Sipek

Monday: Rev. Abraham Sebastian, C.S.T.

Tuesday: Rev. Peter Amszej

Wednesday: Rev. Joseph Langlois

Thursday: Parish Musicians in the Diocese of London

Friday: Deacon Leo Gulikers

Saturday: Rev. Lucio Couto

Please remember to pray for our Holy Father, Pope Francis

**Readings for
Sunday, July 21, 2024**

1st Reading:

Jeremiah 23: 1-6

2nd Reading:

Ephesians 2: 13-18

Gospel

Mark 6: 30-34

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

*Joseph Cowley
Angela Tyczynski
Sophia Akerboom*



Please Pray For

Maurice Braet

Bertha Priest

Mary Debus

Mike Genovy

Charlie Knight

Audrey Heath

Ginette Villemaire

Brother Al Verstraaten

Charlie O'Rae

Scot Blythe

Paulette Dozois

Debbie O'Hagan

Phil Burns

Sandra Cabiddu

Doreen Ducharme

Maria Margarida Pacheco

Tony Lavoratore

Martha Fracalanza

Madeleine Serratore

Priaya Marie Johnson

Florence Laird

Lisa Fex

Janice Grennan

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of your Son so that in him, with him and through him we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Vocations Committee – Supreme Council, Knights of Columbus

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THE HOMEBOUND**

If you cannot attend Mass or Communion Service, a Eucharistic Minister can bring **JESUS IN THE EUCHARIST** to your home or to a nursing home facility upon request.

Call the office
519-336-2653





CWL Day at the Shrine

St. Patrick's Church, Merlin, ON

5773 Tenth Line Merlin, ON N0P 1W0

July 24, 2024

All Are Welcome!



9:30 a.m. Meet and Greet
10:00 a.m. Prayerful Reflection
11:00 a.m. Mass
12:00 p.m. Lunch
1:15 p.m. Rosary

Coffee, Tea and Water will be available.
Dress for the weather, as we meet rain or shine!

OUTDOOR FAMILY MOVIE

FRIDAY, JULY 26, 8:30PM

SACRED HEART CHURCH



Movie, popcorn, lemonade,
fun for families & friends

2024 Family of Parishes Summer BBQ



SATURDAY, AUGUST 10

SACRED HEART CHURCH

11am - 3pm

FUN-FOOD-GAMES-PRIZES

FOR ALL AGES

Lunch served from 11:30am to 2:30pm



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Glory Stories

Testimonies, Moments of Grace, and
Thanksgiving in our Family of Parishes

Blessings and Thank You
to all the Extraordinary Ministers
of Holy Communion who were
mandated this past weekend.

Weekday Mass Intentions - July 15 to July 21

Monday, July 15

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English +Mary Romlewski & Józefa Walton ~ Bernice Rade +Jim Persichetti ~ Zofia & Shane Bennett & Family	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Souls in Purgatory Deceased Members of D'Angela & Minicilli Families ~ Domenica D'Angela & Family	6:30 PM St. Michael Trish Berg ~ George Stanko Skip LeClair ~ Mary & Josh Domenico Iacobelli ~ Olga
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Tuesday, July 16

8:30 AM Sacred Heart Rosalia Sottosanti ~ Frank & Rosa Proia Garvin Lee ~ Maria Salting	9:45 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - French Paul Shoniker ~ Yvon & Peggy Haché 6:30 PM St. Benedict Cristina Pinto ~ Liz Fernandes & Family Doris LeBlanc ~ Estate Adrien LeBlanc ~ Estate Intentions of Katriana Collins Intentions of William Collins Intentions of Sophia Collins	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Souls in Purgatory 7:00 PM Queen of Peace - Polish +Maria & Antoni Wiącek ~ Córka z Rodziną +Stefan Ptak ~ Żona z dziećmi +William & Stefan Sanca ~ Zofia
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Wednesday, July 17

8:30 AM St. Michael Trevor Craig Kennedy ~ The Kennedy Family Deceased members of the Benacquista & Tote Families ~ Maria Tote	9:30 AM St. Joseph Doris LeBlanc ~ Estate Adrien LeBlanc ~ Estate Souls in Purgatory Health, Conversion & Intentions of Jennifer McPhee Mary Dillon ~ Nan & John Docherty & Family	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Souls in Purgatory Rudy Michelin ~ KofC William E. Prentice Council 1429 Intentions of Angie Bosworth ~ Louise 7:00 PM St. Thomas d'Aquin - French Gilberte Beauchamp ~ Diane Passingham Intentions des Dames de Ste Anne
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Thursday, July 18

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English +Jim Persichetti ~ Zofia & Shane Bennett & Family +Joseph Bukovsky ~ Dennis & Mary-Jo Mather 12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Souls in Purgatory	9:30 AM St. Benedict Doris LeBlanc ~ Estate Adrien LeBlanc ~ Estate Rocco & Romanina Palma ~ Filomena Ferrera & Family Intention Maude St-Pierre & Family ~ Sue Lamontagne	6:30 PM Sacred Heart James Maczko ~ John & Judy Roman & Family Olindo DeSena ~ Fernando & Maria DeSena Lou Vozza ~ Sandy Vozza & Family Norma O'Brien ~ Mary & Peter Stoesser Bertha Loosemore ~ Daughter, Ethel Dyck
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Friday, July 19

8:30 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - English --- 7:00 PM Queen of Peace – Polish +Aniela Józef Piechota ~ Rodzina O błogostawieństwo Boże dla Czesławy ~ Przyjaciółka +Aniela Tyczyńska ~ J. Krasinkiewicz	9:30 AM Sacred Heart Deceased Family of Rosa Recchia ~ Mario & Family James Maczko ~ Christine Bresette Garvin Lee ~ Maria Salting	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Joe Seward ~ Elsie Paolo Padiglia ~ Wife Tomasina Souls in Purgatory Intention of Linda & Rick ~ Jackie Winsor
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Saturday, July 20

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English God's blessings for Czesława ~ Family +Jim Persichetti ~ Zofia & Shane Bennett & Family	8:30 AM St. Michael --- 8:30 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - English ---	9:30 AM St. Joseph Intention of Maria Leliveld ~ St. Joseph CWL Doris LeBlanc ~ Estate Adrien LeBlanc ~ Estate Souls in Purgatory Health, Conversion & Intention of Jennifer McPhee Tiberio Cordeiro & Deceased Members of the Cordeiro Family & Souls in Purgatory - John & Tiberia
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WEEKEND CONFESSION & MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Confessions

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

Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00pm - Our Lady of Mercy
 4:30pm - St. Thomas d'Aquin (English)
 5:00pm - Queen of Peace (English)

Sunday Masses

8:30am - Our Lady of Mercy
 9:00am - Queen of Peace (Polish/English)
 9:00am - Sacred Heart
 9:00am - St. Benedict
 10:30am - St. Michael, Bright's Grove
 11:00am - Sacred Heart
 11:00am - St. Joseph
 11:00am - St. Thomas d'Aquin (French)
 5:00pm - St. Thomas d'Aquin (Spanish)
 6:30pm - St. Benedict



We are now looking for volunteers to help 2 hours per month at Jackpot City Bingo for the St. Benedict Bingo license. This opportunity is not limited to St. Benedict parishioners. Training will be provided. If interested, please call the parish office or email Louis Guimond at lguimond@dol.ca
 Your help is vital to the success of this endeavor.

Weekday Mass Intentions - July 22 to July 27

Monday, July 22

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English Jim Persichetti ~ Zofia & Shane Bennett & Family	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Souls in Purgatory Intention of James & Janice Mynt Swe 52nd Wedding Anniversary ~ Jim & Maria Leliveld	6:30 PM St. Michael Trevor Craig Kennedy ~ The Kennedy Family Lisa Hopkins & Vincenzo Orlando ~ The Orlando Family Intentions of Fr. Jim Higgins ~ St. Michael CWL
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Tuesday, July 23

8:30 AM Sacred Heart ---	9:45 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - French ---	7:00 PM Queen of Peace - Polish --Aniela & Józef Piechota ~ Syn z Rodziną -O błogosławieństwo Boże dla Anny M. ~ Rodzice -O błogosławieństwo Boże dla Ani & Wojtka Seredyńskich, w rocznicę ślubu ~ Czesława
12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Dani Caetano ~ Maria Teixeira Souls in Purgatory Intentions of Angie Bosworth ~ Louise	6:30 PM St. Benedict Michael & Agnes & Lucy TinHla ~ Family Alejo & Melecia Quijalvo ~ Rey & Adel Quijalvo Wayne Hummel -- Pat Hummel & Family Doris LeBlanc ~ Estate Adrien LeBlanc ~ Estate Souls in Purgatory ~ Gabriela Ferreira	

Wednesday, July 24

8:30 AM St. Michael ---	9:30 AM St. Joseph Health, Conversion & Intentions of Jennifer McPhee Intention of Liz Guindon ~ St. Joseph CWL Dani Caetano ~ Maria Teixeira Doris LeBlanc ~ Estate Adrien LeBlanc ~ Estate Souls in Purgatory	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Jacinto Melo ~ Maria Cabral Souls in Purgatory 7:00 PM St. Thomas d'Aquin - French ---
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Thursday, July 25

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English +Jim Persichetti ~ Zofia & Shane Bennett & Family	9:30 AM St. Benedict Miguel Cabral ~ Maria Cabral Healing Grace ~ Jackie Courchesne Leonie Collette Thompson ~ Belinda Vargas & Family	6:30 PM Sacred Heart Neil J. & Bride MacIsaac Brenda & Greg Hogan Bertha Loosemore ~ Daughter, Ethel Dyck James Maczko ~ Peter & Mary Stoesser Kevin Moriarity ~ Peter & Mary Stoesser Mariama Leyon John ~ The Monteiro Family Maria & Orazio DiCocco ~ Sandy Vozza & Family
12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Ralph Fanelli ~ Anna Fanelli Mary Veronica Barcroft ~ Valerie Barcroft Madeline Dozois & Elaine Dozois MacMillan ~ Larry Dozois Souls in Purgatory		

Friday, July 26		
8:30 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - English ---	9:30 AM Sacred Heart --- 12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Souls in Purgatory	7:00 PM Queen of Peace – Polish O błogosławieństwo Boże dla Anny M., Anny P. i Anny M., w dniu ich świętej Patronki +Stefania, Andrzej & Marianna ~Siostry
Saturday, July 27		
8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English Jim Persichetti ~ Zofia & Shane Bennett & Family	8:30 AM St. Michael Crescenzo Rocca ~ Wife, Children & Grandchildren 8:30 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - English ---	9:30 AM St. Joseph Tiberio Cordeiro & Deceased Members of the Cordeiro Family & Souls in Purgatory ~ John & Tiberia Alicia & Jessica Blythe ~ Family Health, Conversion & Intentions of Jennifer McPhee Souls in Purgatory

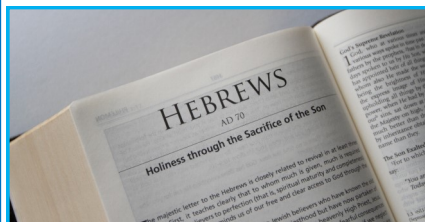
THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...	
Sunday, June 14	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Benedict – following 9am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Michael – following 10:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St-Thomas d'Aquin – following 5pm Mass
Monday, July 15	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Bible Study ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6:30pm • Rosary in Spanish ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 7pm
Tuesday, July 16	• Office Closed 9am to 1pm – Staff Mtg. • Divine Mercy Store ~ St. Joseph – 11:30-2:30pm • Senior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6pm
Wednesday, July 17	• Catholic Girls League ~ St. Benedict—craft making 9am • Junior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy—10am • Soup Wednesday ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm-4pm • Junior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6pm
Thursday, July 18	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • St. Anthony of Padua Secular Franciscan Meeting ~ St. Benedict 6pm • Catholic Girls League ~ St. Benedict—6:30pm
Friday, July 19	• Art Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm
Saturday, July 20	• Junior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy—10am • Chevaliers de Colomb ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin –10am • Line Dancing ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 10am • Coffee Social ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 4pm Mass

Please be “Scent” sitive

Please be mindful, when coming to church for Mass or other parish functions, that many people have allergies &/or sensitivities to even the mildest and most beautiful perfumes, lotions and colognes.

<i>JULY 21 - JULY 27</i>	
Sunday, July 21	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Benedict – following 9am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St-Thomas d'Aquin – following 5pm Mass • ALPHA grades 9-12 ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6pm
Monday, July 22	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Bible Study ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6:30pm • Rosary in Spanish ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 7pm
Tuesday, July 23	• Divine Mercy Store ~ St. Joseph – 11:30-2:30pm • Senior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6pm
Wednesday, July 24	• Junior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy 10am • Soup Wednesday ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm-4pm • Junior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy 6pm
Thursday, July 25	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm
Friday, July 26	• Art Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Outdoor Movie ~ Sacred Heart – 8:30pm
Saturday, July 27	• Coffee Social ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 4pm Mass

<i>JULY 28 - AUGUST 4</i>	
Sunday, July 28	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Benedict – following 9am Mass • Ice Cream Sunday ~ St. Michael – following 10:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St-Thomas d'Aquin – following 5pm Mass • ALPHA grades 9-12 ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6pm
Monday, July 29	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Bible Study ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6:30pm • Rosary in Spanish ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 7pm
Tuesday, July 30	• Divine Mercy Store ~ St. Joseph – 11:30-2:30pm • Senior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6pm
Wednesday, July 31	• Junior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy 10am • Soup Wednesday ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm-4pm • Junior Youth Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy 6pm
Thursday, August 1	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Catholic Girls League ~ St. Benedict – 6:30pm
Friday, August 2	• Art Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm
Saturday, August 3	• Lay Missionaries of Charity ~ St. Joseph – 11am • Coffee Social ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 4pm Mass



BIBLE STUDY - THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

Father Brian is facilitating a Bible Study on the New Testament "Book of Hebrews" Monday evenings at Our Lady of Mercy Church Hall. Classes run from 6:30pm to 8:30pm during July and August. The *Ignatius Catholic Study Bible – New Testament* will be used for this study.



Notre Dame du Cap

L'histoire du Sanctuaire Notre Dame du Cap situé au Cap-de-la-Madeleine au Québec remonte aux années 1800. La Confrérie du Rosaire, créée par un prêtre du Sanctuaire avait été oubliée dans le temps jusqu'à ce qu'un couple de fervents catholiques d'Ottawa relance le mouvement. Dennis Girard et son épouse Angelina ont pour mission de revitaliser les sanctuaires catholiques dans le monde entier en faisant la promotion de la dévotion à la Vierge Marie et de la paix. En collaboration avec l'évêque du diocèse de Hearst-Moonson, Mgr Pierre-Olivier Tremblay, évêque auxiliaire de Trois-Rivières et directeur du Sanctuaire il y a quelques années, ils obtiennent la permission de l'Ordre des Dominicains d'établir la Confrérie dans tous les sanctuaires mariaux du monde.

Le couple a produit un film « le Pont des roses » en souvenir du fameux Pont de glace formé par miracle à l'hiver 1878-1879, cet hiver là est très doux et les paroissiens attendent que la glace se forme sur le fleuve St-Laurent pour transporter la pierre nécessaire à la construction d'une église. Le Curé Désilets promet à la vierge de lui consacrer la petite église si on peut transporter les pierres. Les paroissiens se mettent fermement à la prière et le soir du 16 mars 1879 un pont de glace se forme entre les 2 rives soit environ 2 kilomètres et ce pont tient bon du 19 au 25 mars afin de permettre aux travailleurs de transporter toute la pierre nécessaire à la construction. On surnomme le pont « le pont des chapelets » Cela tenait du miracle et l'église baptisée Saint-Marie-Madeleine fut bénite en octobre 1880.

En 2013, le couple Girard, après avoir connu certains problèmes personnels, reçoit en cadeau une petite statue de Notre Dame du Cap et sans la connaître vraiment, ils dirigent leur dévotion envers Marie et leurs demandes sont exaucées. En guise de remerciement ils décident de propager leur foi et en 2017 ils rencontrent le père Tremblay directeur du Sanctuaire Notre-Dame-du-Cap qui possède une statue plus grande de Notre-Dame-du-Cap et ils obtiennent la permission de l'installer dans leur église à Ottawa. L'histoire continue et le couple décide de faire voyager cette statue afin de rassembler les fidèles de partout dans un mouvement de dévotion marial et de relancer la Confrérie du Rosaire.

Père Robert Renaud qui était prêtre associé de la familles des paroisses catholiques romaines de Sarnia Bluewater, connaissant l'histoire, demande aux responsables du mouvement la permission d'avoir la visite de la statue à St-Thomas d'Aquin. Permission obtenue et la Statue s'arrête à l'église Saint-Thomas d'Aquin le 10 juillet 2024. Tous les catholiques de Sarnia sont invités à assister à la présentation du Film Bridge of Roses. (Le Pont des roses) entre 14h et 16h.

Une messe célébrée pour tous à 18h30 débute par le chapelet récité en 5 langues.

Les pétales de 4 douzaines de roses sont déposées au pied de la statue et une grande table portant une boîte de dons et une boîte d'intentions sont installées dans la salle. À 19h45, thé, café et dessert sont servis.

Une journée mémorable. Après avoir terminé sa visite à Sarnia, la Statue de Notre Dame du Cap se dirige vers les Etats-Unis. Bon voyage

65 bags were made

For those in need

THANK YOU FOR DONATING



On behalf of St. Michael CWL and Saint Vincent de Paul,
thank you to everyone who donated to our
Blessings Bags project.

Because of your generosity, we were able to make
65 Blessings Bags for people in need.

We could not have done it without you.

Mary VanDelft, president
St. Michael Catholic Women's League



Our Lady of the Cape

The history of the Sanctuary of Notre Dame du Cap at Cap-de-la-Madeleine in Quebec dates back to the 1800s. The Confrérie du Rosaire, founded by a Shrine priest, had been forgotten until a fervent Catholic couple from Ottawa revived the movement. Dennis Girard and his wife Angelina's mission is to revitalize Catholic shrines worldwide, promoting devotion to the Virgin Mary and peace. In collaboration with the bishop of the Hearst-Moonsonee Diocese, Mgr. Pierre-Olivier Tremblay, auxiliary bishop of Trois-Rivières and director of the Shrine a few years ago, they obtained permission from the Dominican Order to establish the Confraternity in all Marian shrines around the world.

The couple produced a film, "The Bridge of Roses", in memory of the famous Ice Bridge miraculously formed in the winter of 1878-1879. That winter was very mild, and parishioners waited for the ice to form on the St. Lawrence River to transport the stone needed to build a church. Curé Désilets promised the Virgin Mary that he would consecrate the little church to her if the stones could be transported. On the evening of March 16, 1879, an ice bridge formed between the two banks of the river, some 2 kilometers apart, and the bridge held firm from March 19 to March 25 to allow workers to transport all the stone needed for construction. The bridge was nicknamed "the bridge of rosaries", and the church, named Saint-Marie-Madeleine, was blessed in October 1880.

In 2013, the Girard couple, after experiencing some personal problems, received a small statue of Notre Dame du Cap as a gift, and without really knowing her, they directed their devotion to Mary and their requests were answered. In grat-

itude, they decide to spread their faith and in 2017 they meet Father Tremblay, director of the Sanctuary of Notre-Dame-du-Cap, who owns a larger statue of Our Lady of the Cape, and they obtain permission to install it in their church in Ottawa. The story continues, and the couple decide to take the statue on the road to bring together the faithful from all over the world in a Marian devotional movement, and to re-launch the Confrérie du Rosaire.

Father Robert Renaud, who was an associate priest with Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes, knowing the story, asked the movement's leaders for permission to have the statue visit St. Thomas d'Aquin church. Permission was granted, and the Statue stopped at Saint-Thomas d'Aquin Church on July 10, 2024. All Sarnia Catholics were invited to attend the presentation of the film Bridge of Roses between 2 and 4 pm.

At 6:30pm, a mass for all at began with the rosary recited in 5 languages.

The petals of 4 dozen roses were placed at the foot of the statue, and a large table bearing a donation box and a box of intentions was set up in the church. Refreshments were served after the Mass.

A day to remember. Having completed its visit to Sarnia, the Statue de Notre Dame du Cap heads for the USA. Bon voyage!

SARNIA BLUEWATER ROMAN CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES NURSING HOME COMMUNION LITURGIES

1st Monday of the Month

Marshall Gowland Manor ~ 9:30AM

Trillium Villa ~ 10:30AM

1st Wednesday of the Month

Twin Lakes Terrace ~ 9:30AM

Afton Park Place ~ 10:30AM

Vision Nursing Home ~ 11:15A

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MOVING TO A RETIREMENT HOME, LONG TERM CARE FACILITY, NURSING HOME...

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WHERE'S AND WHEN'S

For: 9th - 12th Grade Students
When: Sundays in July and August
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Where: Our Lay of Mercy Hall

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and enter her first and last name and
age in the form at the bottom of the
page and submit it.

When: Wednesday, July 17, 2024

Time: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Where: St. Benedict's Church Hall

Pizza lunch included.

Jackie Detailleur

CGL Leader

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St. Joseph's Church Bingo Operations has been in partnership with Jackpot Time Bingo Hall in Sarnia since 2015. Over the years it has helped us raise money to cover the cost of utility expenses, upgrades to HVAC system and repairs and maintenance of church buildings and grounds.



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Visit their website at sarnia.jackpottime.ca

Sarnia Youth Ministry

Evening Events

JULY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 CAMPFIRE NIGHT	3 SMORES	4	5	6
7 ALPHA NIGHT	8	9 SLIP N' SLIDE KICKBALL	10 SLIP N' SLIDE KICKBALL	11	12	13
14 ALPHA NIGHT	15	16 CHRISTMAS IN JULY MOVIE NIGHT	17 FORT BUILDING MOVIE NIGHTS	18	19	20
21 ALPHA NIGHT	22	23 VOLLEYBALL NIGHT	24 VOLLEYBALL NIGHT	25	26	27
28 ALPHA NIGHT	29	30 WATER BLASTER BATTLE	WATER BLASTERS BATTLE			

HIGH SCHOOL EVENTS

9TH - 12TH GRADE STUDENTS
(6PM - 8PM) @OUR LADY OF MERCY HALL

JR HIGH EVENTS

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(10AM - 12PM)
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Sarnia Youth Ministry

Evening Events

AUGUST 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4 ALPHA NIGHT	5	6 CHALK FIGHT	7 CHALK FIGHT	8	9	10
11 ALPHA NIGHT	12	13 ROCK PAINTING	14 ROCK PAINTING	15	16	17
18 ALPHA NIGHT	19	20 CLOSING!!	21 CLOSING	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

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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.

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Some of the major capital expenses covered by our Bingo Revenue:

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