

**Sarnia Bluewater
Roman Catholic
Family of Parishes**



**Famille des Paroisses
Catholiques Romaines
de Sarnia Bluewater**

*Welcoming Communities, Encountering Christ, Sharing Faith and Caring for All.
Accueillir les communautés, rencontrer le Christ, partager la foi et être bienveillants envers tous.*

OUR LADY OF MERCY | QUEEN OF PEACE | SACRED HEART | ST. BENEDICT
ST. JOSEPH | ST. MICHAEL | ST. THOMAS D'AQUIN

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9:00am to 5:00pm

MAILING ADDRESS

1011 Oak Avenue,
Sarnia, Ontario N7S 1J4

PARISH LOCATIONS

Our Lady of Mercy
390 Christina St. N.
Sarnia ON N7T 5V9

Queen of Peace
566 Rosedale Ave.
Sarnia ON N7V 1Z4

Office:

Wed. 12pm-6pm; Fri. 10am-4pm

Sacred Heart
1465 Lecaron Ave.
Sarnia ON N7V 3J4

St. Benedict
1011 Oak Ave.
Sarnia ON N7S 1J4

St. Joseph
293 Stuart St.
Sarnia ON N7T 3B9

St. Michael
1920 Wildwood Dr. Brights Grove
ON N0N 1C0

Office: Wed. & Fri. 9am-12 pm

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Sunday, December 22, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Sunday, December 29, 2024

Feast of the Holy Family

FAMILY OF PARISHES CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

Monday, December 23: 9am – 5pm

Tuesday, December 24: 9am – 12pm

Wednesday, December 25: closed

Thursday, December 26: closed

Friday, December 27: 9am – 5pm

Monday, December 30: 9am – 5pm

Tuesday, December 31: 9am – 12pm

Wednesday, January 1: closed

Thursday, January 2: 9am – 5pm

Friday, January 3: 9am – 5pm

PASTORAL TEAM

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Rev. Brian Jane ex.222

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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.

Christmas Message from Fr. Brian

On behalf of our clergy and staff, it is my privilege to bring prayerful greetings as we enter this Christmas season. God so loved us that He gave His only Son as Saviour of the world. May the light of His presence fill our hearts so that our love grows ever brighter.

This past year has seen many changes as we said goodbye to Fr. Jose and AJ Barrows and welcomed Jenn Stewart and Fr. Michael Woods. We wish them God's Blessings.

*I take this opportunity to thank you most sincerely for your commitment to the Catholic Faith, especially the countless volunteers who have made our Family of Parishes so vibrant and engaging. **A small token of appreciation to you is the gift of the book, 33 Days of Eucharistic Glory, available at the church entrances.** We look forward to what God will provide in 2025!*

Merry Christmas

Fr. Brian

Readings for Sunday, December 22, 2024

1st Reading:

Micah 5.2-5a

2nd Reading:

Hebrews 10.5-10

Gospel

Luke 1.39-45

Pray for Vocations: December 22 to 28

Deacon Joseph Manzara

Rev. Michael Ryan

Parish Secretaries in the Diocese of London

Nativity of the Lord

Rev. Seejo John

Mrs. Julie de Gouw, Pastoral Minister

Rev. Joseph Onome Oghenejabor

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



Joseph Theriault

Readings for Sunday, December 29, 2024

1st Reading:

1 Samuel 1.20-22, 24-28

2nd Reading:

1 John 3.1-2, 21-24

Gospel

Luke 2.41-52

Pray for Vocations: Dec. 29 January 4

Deacon Tim Raaymakers

Rev. James Roche

Institute of Secular Missionaries

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

Deacon Rudy Pflanzner

Rev. Canon Mitchell Kaminski

Rev. Frank Leslie

Please Pray For

Maurice Braet Charlie O'Rae Tony Lavoratore Bertha Priest Scot Blythe Martha Fracalanza
Mary Debus Paulette Dozois Madeleine Serratore Debbie O'Hagan Priya Marie Johnson
Lisa Fex Phil Burns Doreen Ducharme Audrey Heath Sandra Cabiddu Tony Muir Peter Tote
John VanWerde Warner French Steve Mechan Maria Margarida Pacheco

FAMILY CATECHISM

Join other families in learning the Catholic Faith, experiencing community, having fun, and prayer!

We have classes for every age including teens and adults as well as babysitting for little ones!

We meet at St. Patrick's High School on Sunday afternoons from 3:00PM to 5:00PM, twice a month on the following dates: **Jan. 12, 26 Feb. 9, 23 Mar. 2, 23, Apr. 13, 27**

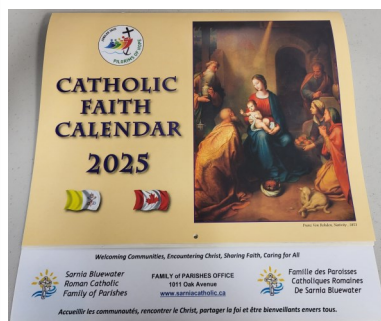
For more information go to Family Foundations Institute famfi.ca or email Tara Costain at sarniacatechism@gmail.com

FAMILY OF PARISHES 2024/2025 CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES

CHURCH	CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL MASSES TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24	CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25
Our Lady of Mercy	4:00pm <i>incense used</i>	8:30am
St. Benedict	6:30pm <i>incense used</i>	9:00 am
St. Michael	5:00pm	10:30 am
St. Joseph	5:00pm	11:00am
St. Thomas d'Aquin	7:00pm Trilingual (Fr/Eng/Sp)	11:00am ~ French 5:00pm ~ Spanish
Sacred Heart	5:30pm <i>incense used</i> 8:00pm	9:00am
Queen of Peace	7:30pm ~ English Midnight ~ Polish <i>incense used</i>	9:00am ~ Polish/English

CHURCH	NEW YEAR EVE VIGIL MASSES Vigil of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31	NEW YEAR DAY MASSES Solemnity of Mary Mother of God WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1
Our Lady of Mercy	4:00pm	8:30am
St. Benedict	6:30pm	9:00 am
St. Michael		10:30 am
St. Joseph		11:00am
St. Thomas d'Aquin		11:00am ~ French 5:00pm ~ Spanish
Sacred Heart		11:00am
Queen of Peace	7:00pm ~ English	9:00am ~ Polish/English

2025 FAMILY OF PARISHES CATHOLIC FAITH CALENDARS



The 2025 Faith Calendars are available in all parishes and at the Family of Parishes office. For your convenience, an envelope is provided in each calendar for your donation. Please place the envelope in the weekend collection baskets.

Calendars are \$5 each and the proceeds will go to offset the cost of the 5 Lessons and Carols celebration recently held at Our Lady of Mercy. Thank you for your support.

Don't delay as supplies are limited.

Weekday Mass Intentions - December 23 to December 28

Monday, December 23

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English
In honour of Our Lady Queen of Palestine & suffering of effects of the war

12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy
Ernesto Cocozzoli ~
Daughter Lily Cocozzoli
Emilio Roncone ~ Wife & Family
Mario Di Brita ~
Maria Di Brita & Family
Theresa ~ Family
Mary & John ~
Daughter Mirra Lefort & Family
Manuel Edward Cunha ~
Wife Anna, Diana & Mark

6:30 PM St. Michael
Daniela Mezzatesta ~ Husband, Dani
Mario DeCarolis ~ Elena & Henry Pagotto
Domenic D'Agostini ~
Lisa, Julian, Christian & Marc
Iris & Terrence Coates ~ Lisa, Julian, Christian & Marc
Gary Kensley & Family ~ Linda
Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve

All Masses offered for parishioners

Wednesday, December 25 Christmas Day

All Masses offered for parishioners

Thursday, December 26

9:30 AM St. Benedict
Miguel Cabral ~ Maria Cabral
Leonie Collette Thompson ~
Belinda Vargas & Family

10:00 AM Queen of Peace - Polish
O łaskę zdrowia i Boże błogostawieństwo dla Ryszarda z Rodziną

12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy
Souls in Purgatory
Special Intentions ~ Gerry McKeown
Special Intention & In Thanksgiving for Estelle Leblanc ~ Sister
Fr. Len Desjardins ~
Ginette & Gerard Villemare
Tracy Burns ~ Ethridge Family
John Ramsey ~
Margarita & Frank Roberts

6:30 PM Sacred Heart
Grace & Ken Schlimme ~
Brenda & Greg Hogan
Giovanni DeCarolis ~
Maria & Rick Ferrera
Daniela Mezzatesta ~
Mom, Renzo, Sherri & Family
Bertha Loosemore ~
Daughter, Ethel Dyck
Leo Johnston ~ Wife, Margaret Ann
Josephine Boyles ~ The Monteiro Family

Friday, December 27

8:30 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - Eng.
Souls in Purgatory
In Thanksgiving for Ordination ~
Fr. Jose

12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy
Domenico Cocozzoli ~
Granddaughter Lily Cocozzoli
Teresa Davies ~
Wayne & Susan Chamberlain & Family
Tracy Burns ~ Ethridge Family
Special Intentions ~ Gerry McKeown
Alicia, Jessica & Hillary Blythe ~
Blythe Family
Omar Gagne ~ Alex MacKay

7:00 PM Queen of Peace – Polish
+Maria Wiącek ~ córka z Rodziną
Barbara Zitta ~ Mary Jurilj
Dziękczynna za wszystkie otrzymane łaski & prośba o Boże błogostawieństwo dla Rodziny na Nowy 2025 Rok ~
Rodzina J.

Saturday December 28

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English
In thanksgiving for 40 years of life and God's blessing for Justin ~ Family
In thanksgiving for the received graces in 2024

9:30 AM St. Joseph
Maria Iacobelli ~ Mom, Dad & Family
Souls in Purgatory
Maria de Lourdes Vidipo Almeida ~ Cinara
Intentions of Virginia Vanderveen ~ Lauchie
Tiberio Cordeiro & Deceased Members of the Cordeiro Family & Souls in Purgatory ~ John & Tiberia

Weekday Mass Intentions - December 30 to January 5

Monday, December 30

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English +Ernie Latif ~Rita & Tony Straatman +Christina McCready ~ JoAnne & Terry Burrell	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Special Intentions ~ Gerry McKeown Souls in Purgatory Tracy Burns ~ Ethridge Family John Ramsey ~ Our Lady of Mercy CWL	6:30 PM St. Michael Molly Harris ~ Marianne Clift Fay Cunningham ~ Christine & Arnie Bresette Jan Mizner ~ Christine & Arnie Bresette
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Tuesday, December 30 New Year's Eve

All Masses offered for parishioners

Wednesday, January 1 New Year's Day

All Masses offered for parishioners

Thursday, January 2

9:30 AM St. Benedict Special Intentions ~ Gerry McKeown	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Special Intentions & In Thanksgiving Souls in Purgatory	6:30 PM Sacred Heart Mark Chartrand ~ The Monteiro Family Josie Boyles ~ Ann Seehoye Precita Agustin Principe ~ Rose Coleman Bertha Loosemore ~ Daughter, Ethel Dyck Deceased Members of the Richards & Sullivan Families ~ Rosie Richards All Souls ~ Ethel Dyck
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Friday, January 3 First Friday

8:30 AM St. Thomas d'Aquin - Eng. Chuck Lemire ~ Doreen Paquette	12:10 PM Our Lady of Mercy Faustino Chaves ~ Wife Leonor Anne McFadyen ~ Helen Ross Joe & Jackie Kennedy ~ Ross Family Tracy Burns ~ Ethridge Family Souls in Purgatory Ellen Harty ~ Cathy, Donna & Families	7:00 PM Queen of Peace – Polish O błogosławieństwo Boże dla Weroniki ~Chrzestna Matka
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Saturday January 4

8:00 AM Queen of Peace - English Reparation for all offences committed against Immaculate Heart of Mary	9:30 AM St. Joseph Michael Docherty ~ Mom, Dad & Family Souls in Purgatory	
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BIBLE STUDY - JAMES: PEARLS FOR WISE LIVING

Looking for an anchor to hold you steady through the storms of life?
Want the secret to finding joy in the midst of trials?

Join us for a new bible study: James: Pearls For Wise Living.

*Beginning Wednesday, January 15, 2025 ~ St. Michael Parish Hall ~ 7pm to 9pm;
Facilitators: Susan Kellett and Ed Seguin or*

*Beginning Thursday, January 16, 2025 ~ St. Benedict Parish Hall ~ 1pm to 3pm;
Facilitator: Ed Seguin*

Details & registration: sarniacatholic.ca



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

Sunday, Dec. 22	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy following 8:30am Mass • Choir Practice ~ St. Michael – 11:30am Mass • Advent Vespers ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 4:30pm • Coffee Sunday ~ St-Thomas d'Aquin – following 5pm Mass
Monday, Dec. 23	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Pratique de la Chorale ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 6:30pm
Tuesday, Dec. 24	
Wednesday, Dec. 25	
Thursday, Dec. 26	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • English Classes ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 6pm • Line Dancing ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6:30pm
Friday, Dec. 27	• Art Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm
Saturday, Dec. 28	• 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.
Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, Dec. 29	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Michael following the 10:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St-Thomas d'Aquin – following 5pm Mass
Monday, Dec. 30	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Pratique de la Chorale ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 6:30pm
Tuesday, Dec. 31	
Wednesday, January 1	
Thursday, January 2	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • English Classes ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 6pm • Catholic Girls League ~ St. Benedict – 6:30pm • Meat Bingo ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 7pm
Friday, January 3	• Art Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm
Saturday, January 4	• Lay Missionaries of Charity Meeting ~ St. Joseph – 11am • Coffee Social ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 4pm Mass

THANK YOU to all the many volunteers who assisted in the Irish miracle, to those who donated food to stock the food bank shelves, to those who generously donated grocery gift cards and money for the Christmas hampers and to all the volunteers who donated their time during this busy Christmas season. Thank you to our generous parishioners, the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Women's Leagues for their continued support.

We appreciate the ongoing support of the St Vincent De Paul Society and it's work in ministering to the poor. Please contact the food bank if you are interested in volunteering: 519-337-1058.

UPCOMING AT A GLANCE...

Sunday, January 5	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Benedict following the 9am Mass • Coffee & Conversation ~ St. Joseph following the 11am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St-Thomas d'Aquin – following 5pm Mass
Monday, January 6	• Quilting Group ~ St. Michael – 9:30am • Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Sacramental Parent Meeting ~ St. Michael – 6pm • CWL Executive Meeting ~ St. Michael – 7pm • Pratique de la Chorale ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 6:30pm
Tuesday, January 7	• Knights of Columbus 1429 General Meeting ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6pm • Sacramental Preparation (en français) ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 6pm • Knights of Columbus 11169 General Meeting ~ St. Benedict – 7:30pm • Choir Practice & Vespers ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 7pm • CWL Executive Meeting ~ St. Benedict – 7pm
Wednesday, January 8	• Soup Wednesday ~ Our Lady of Mercy– following 12:10 Mass • Dames de Ste Anne Meeting ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 6pm • Sacramental Parent Meeting ~ St. Benedict – 6pm • Rosary in Spanish ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 7pm
Thursday, January 9	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • English Classes ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 6pm • Sacramental Parent Meeting ~ Sacred Heart – 6pm • Line Dancing ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6:30pm • Knights of Columbus Meeting ~ St. Michael – 7pm
Friday, January 10	• Art Group ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Latin Mass ~ St. Joseph – 7om
Saturday, January 11	• Line Dancing ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm • Coffee Social ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 4pm Mass

KRÓLOWA POKOJU ~ QUEEN OF PEACE

- ♦ Zapraszamy wszystkich na ostatnie Nieszpory Adwentowe w kościele Matki Bożej Miłosierdzia (Our Lady of Mercy) o godzinie 4:30 po południu.

All are invited to pray Advent Vespers on Sunday evening at Our Lady of Mercy Church at 4:30 pm.

- ♦ Dziś, po mszy świętej, będziemy dekorować kościół na święta Bożego Narodzenie. Prosimy o pomoc.
This Sunday, after the 9 am Mass, we will be decorating the church for Christmas. All are welcome to help.
- ♦ Kalendarze katolickie na Nowy 2025 Rok, są do nabycia w wejściu do kościoła.

The 2025 Catholic calendars are available at the welcome desk.

- ♦ **PIERWSZY PIĄTEK** miesiąca wypada 3 stycznia, 2025. Wystawienie Najświętszego Sakramentu będzie od 6 do 7 pm. Zapraszamy do uczestnictwa w tym nabożeństwie do Najświętszego Serca Pana Jezusa.

January 3rd is **FIRST FRIDAY**. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament starts at 6:00 to 7:00 pm. We invite you to participate in this Devotion of Sacred Heart of Jesus.

- ♦ Pragniemy poinformować że Fundusz Stypendialny im. Ks. J. Pučki postanowił ufundować stypendia dla studentów uniwersytetu lub college podejmujących naukę w pełnym wymiarze godzin. Kryteria i informacje w ulotce, którą można otrzymać w przedsionku kościoła Matki Bożej Królowej Pokoju. Dokumenty będą przyjmowane do 5-go stycznia, 2025 r.

The Fr. J. Pucka Memorial Fund wishes to announce that the Foundation will award scholarships to the selected full-time students attending university or college. Criteria and information for applying are available at the foyer in the Queen of Peace Church. Applications will be accepted until January 5, 2025.



The St. Joseph Church Divine Mercy Free Store

will be closed Tuesday,
December 24, Christmas Eve and
Tuesday, December 31, New
Year's Eve.

We will re-open on Tuesday, January 7, 2025

We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas
and may God bless you and your family with
peace and joy for the year to come.





Solemn Vespers

4:30 PM

OUR LADY OF MERCY

DECEMBER 8
DECEMBER 15
DECEMBER 22



Sarnia Bluewater
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Glory Stories

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

Thank you to our
"Christmas elves"
(Knights from St. Benedict
Knights of Columbus
council who are delivering
the bulletin to our
homebound parishioners
during the postal strike.



New to our Family of Parishes?

If you are looking for:

- How to get involved
- Resources
- Becoming Catholic
- Parish Ministries

Click on the image

or go to sarniacatholic.ca to contact us
and to learn more about us
or call the parish office at 519-336-2653.

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen.

Franciscus

The Jubilee Prayer



Prière du Jubilé



Père céleste,
la *foi* que tu nous as donnée
en ton fils Jésus-Christ, notre frère
et la flamme de la *charité*
répandue dans nos cœurs par l'Esprit Saint
réveillent en nous la bienheureuse *espérance*
de l'avènement de ton Royaume.

Que ta grâce nous transforme
en cultivateurs assidus des semences de l'Évangile
qui féconderont l'humanité et le monde,
dans l'attente confiante
des cieux nouveaux et de la terre nouvelle,
lorsque les puissances du mal seront vaincues
ta gloire sera manifestée pour toujours.

Que la grâce du Jubilé
ravive en nous, *Pèlerins de l'Espérance*,
l'aspiration aux biens célestes
et répande sur le monde entier
la joie et la paix
de notre Rédempteur.
À toi, Dieu béni dans l'éternité
la louange et la gloire pour les siècles des siècles.
Amen.

Franciscus

CALLING ALL PAST ALPHA PARTICIPANTS!

Did you benefit from you Alpha experience?

Would you like to ensure that others can have the same opportunity?
Team members are needed for the next Alpha.

Sign up on sarniacatholic.ca or email: sarniacatholicalpha@gmail.com

NEXT ALPHA SERIES STARTS FEBRUARY 3, 2025

Got Email: sarniacatholicalpha@gmail.com



CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

Confirmation registration is open
to students in grade 8.

www.sarniacatholic.ca

Registration Deadline February 14, 2025



FAMILY OF PARISHES NURSING HOME COMMUNION LITURGY & MASS

Communion Liturgy

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 ~ 11:15AM

Sumac Lodge

St. Michael Caring and Sharing minister to Sumac Lodge.
The Rosary is prayed every Thursday at 10:15AM followed by Holy Communion for Catholic residents.

Mass Schedule Sarnia Long-Term Care Homes

Twin Lakes Terrace	January 17, 2025	10:30
Trillium Villa	February 21, 2025	10:30
Vision Nursing Home	March 21, 2025	10:00
Sumac Lodge	April 11, 2025	10:30
Afton Park Place	May 16, 2025	10:30
Marshall Gowland Manor	June 20, 2025	10:00
Twin Lakes Terrace	July 18, 2025	10:30
Trillium Villa	August 15, 2025	10:30
Vision Nursing Home	September 19, 2025	10:00

Family and friends are welcome to attend these Masses with their loved ones.

If you have questions regarding these services, feel free to contact Barb Brenneck via the parish office.

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

Please inform the parish office if you or family members have moved to a retirement home, long term care facility or nursing home so we can ensure you are included in the Communion Liturgies and Mass and we can update our files and keep in touch.

Communion is now available for patients at Bluewater Health, Sarnia. Please call the office if you or your loved one is in hospital and would like to receive communion.

Lord, we ask that you bless our elderly loved ones with the gift of wisdom, patience, and grace. Let them be a source of inspiration and encouragement to those around them. May they continue to share their wisdom and knowledge with others, leaving a lasting legacy for generations to come. Amen

COGECO MASS ANNOUNCEMENT

Effective Sunday, December 8, the Sunday Cogeco Mass will be discontinued. Mass will continue to be livestreamed from St. Benedict each Sunday at 9am. That Mass can be viewed from the Family of Parishes [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-J7SLof9enNCR6dwEM--uw) channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-J7SLof9enNCR6dwEM--uw>

Sunday Mass is also available on the following channels:

If Cogeco is your provider:

EWTN—channel184
contact Cogeco to have it set up
VisionTV—channel24
Mass times 8am and 12 noon
Salt & Light—channel 185

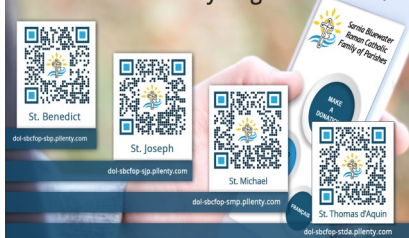
If Bell is your provider:

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
Salt & Light—channel 558

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Exciting News: Introducing E-cards!

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- * **Personal Touch:** Customize your messages to make each e-card unique and special.
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How to Get Started: Visit <https://www.sarniacatholic.ca/giving>

1. Select a parish
2. Enter donation details
3. Select 'This donation is in honour or in memory of someone'
4. Select your design and personalize your message.
5. Enter your message, and the recipient's email address and send!

If you have any questions or feedback, please don't hesitate to reach out! 519-336-2653



An easy way to donate to your parish.

*Simply scan the QR code
and follow the easy directions.*



Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes

Donating to your Parish...

Interac e-Transfer & Pre-Authorized Donations

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.

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

Our Lady of Mercy	olm@dol.ca
St Benedict	saintbenedict@dol.ca
St Joseph	olm@dol.ca
St Michael	stmichaelbg@dol.ca
Sacred Heart	shsarnia@dol.ca
Queen of Peace	qofpeace@dol.ca
St Thomas d'Aquin	sta@dol.ca

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