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Sunday, July 20 & July 27, 2025
Sixteenth & Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Family of Parishes office will be closed on
Wednesday, July 30, 2025 for an off-site staff retreat.



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



Bonnie Yates
Catherine Riley

This is an invitation to anyone
who would like, to join our
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in Corunna
for solemn
Adoration
and Benediction,
the first Friday of
each month during
this Jubilee year.



Mass is celebrated at 9:30am
with Adoration following
for an hour afterwards.

Pray for Vocations: July 20 – July 26

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Pray for Vocations: July 27 – August 2

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Readings for Sunday, July 27, 2025

1st Reading:

Genesis 18:1-1-10a

2nd Reading:

Colossians: 1.24-28

Gospel

Luke: 10.38-42

Readings for Sunday, August 3, 2025

1st Reading:

Genesis 18:20-32

2nd Reading:

Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel

Luke 11:1-13

Please Pray For

Charlie O'Rae Tony Lavoratore Bertha Priest Scot Blythe
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WEEKEND CONFESSION

&

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Confessions

8:45am-9:30am

Queen of Peace

11am-12:00pm

Our Lady of Mercy

*Confessions are also
available before or after
weekday Mass and by
calling the parish office
for an appointment.*

Saturday Vigil Masses

4:00pm - Our Lady of Mercy

4:30pm - St. Thomas d'Aquin (Eng.)

5:00pm - Queen of Peace (Eng.)

Sunday Masses

8:30am - Our Lady of Mercy

9:00am - Queen of Peace (Pol./Eng.)

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 (Fr.)

5:00pm - St. Thomas d'Aquin (Sp.)

6:30pm - St. Benedict

Weekday Mass Intentions - July 21 to July 26

Monday, July 21

8:00am Queen of Peace - English +Clementino Gismondi ~ Brother Loreto & Family God's blessings for Czeslaw ~ Friend	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Joe Seward ~ Wife Elsie Michael Graham ~ Grandma Elsie Paola Padiglia ~ Wife Tomasina & Family Carol Dunn ~ Our Lady of Mercy CWL Archie Cole ~ Sheila Kozmin	6:30pm St. Michael Percy Parker ~ Helen Ross Donald Callacott ~ Helen Ross Richard DePelsmaecker ~ Christine & Arnie Bresette Intentions of Thomas Peter Bunton ~ Sisters, Loretta & Donna
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Tuesday, July 22

9:30am Sacred Heart John Gamble ~ The Family Souls in Purgatory --- Intentions of Paul Buis ~ Jennifer Roddy Intentions of Chris Pinnegar ~ Jennifer Roddy Intentions of Peter & Mary Stoesser ~ Their Children Intentions of Alexander & Juanita Lew Family ~ Alex Lew	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Intentions of Grace Tulang ~ Mike & Karen Mowe Domingos Machado & Sue Correia ~ Filomena Correia Diane Chenard ~ Chenard Family 7:00pm Queen of Peace - Polish O Boże błogostawieństwo i potrzebne laski dla Czesławy ~ Rodzina O Boże błogostawieństwo dla Cioci Jadzi ~ Mary Antolak +Maria Panasiuk ~ Córka z Rodzin	6:30pm St. Benedict Alejo & Melecia Quijalvo ~ Adel & Reynaldo Quijalvo Olindo De Sena ~ Fernando & Maria De Sena Wayne Hummel ~ Hummel Family Bill Dunlop ~ Jackie & Family Christina Pinto ~ Eufrazio & Family Cristalina D'Souza ~ Antonetta Pinto & Family
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Wednesday, July 23

8:30am St. Michael Lennon Leitzinger ~ The Mauti Family	9:30am St. Joseph Tiberio Cordeiro & Deceased Members of the Cordeiro Family & Souls in Purgatory - John & Tiberia In Thanksgiving ~ Wilf & Amber Gray Richard Harris ~ Virginia Vanderveen Intentions of Rita Core ~ Virginia Vanderveen Evaristo Arruda ~ Daughter Maria	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Intention of Karen Mowe -- Frank & Margarita Intention of Grace Tulang ~ Frank & Margarita Carol Dunn ~ Margarita Roberts & Our Lady of Mercy CWL Bonnie Yates ~ Frank & Margarita
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Thursday, July 24

9:30am St. Benedict Manuel Aguiar ~ Esmeria Aguiar Maria da Conceicao Aguiar ~ Esmeria Aguiar Intentions of Lisa Mallette ~ Family Icelyn Chung ~ Raymond Chung Gertrudes Urtula & Gerardo Urtula Valentina Castillo & Gerardo Castillo	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Souls in Purgatory ~ Esmeria Aguiar Gord Modde ~ Pete & Shelley Aarssen Intention of Allan Mearns ~ Frank & Margarita Amado Dizon ~ Rudy & Clara de Gracia, Jun & Angelina Austria	6:30pm Sacred Heart Skip LeClair ~ Mary & Josh Wyn Wood ~ The Robertson Family Bertha Loosemore ~ Daughter, Ethel Dyck Mrs. Lennie Saldanha ~ The Austin Family Virginia Vozza ~ Sandy Vozza & Family Michael James Genoway ~ His Parents
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Friday, July 25

8:30am St. Thomas d'Aquin - Eng. Norma Burrell ~ Terry & JoAnne Burrell Mireille Beauchamp ~ Don & Claudette Sonier Derrick Murphy ~ Jennifer Hodgetts Intentions of Ernie Paquette & Family ~ Doreen Paquette Intentions of Fr. Joseph Oghenejabor ~ Don & Claudette Sonier Intentions of Fr. Edward Okorie ~ Don & Claudette Sonier	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Raffaele Fanelli ~ Anna Fanelli Amado Dizon ~ Wife Marietta Mary Veronica Barcroft ~ Valerie Barcroft Elena Benacquista ~ Silvana & Andrea Filia, Maria Di Murro, & Grandchildren Maria Blundina Da Silva ~ Sister-in-law Maria Deceased Members of the Moniz & DeMelo Families ~ Maria Da Silva	7:00pm Queen of Peace - Polish Za zmarłych z rodziny Wróblewskich ~ Rodzina
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Saturday, July 26

8:00am Queen of Peace - English

God's blessings for Ania ~ Family

+Justine Lobo ~ Parents

+Peter Leblanc – Marcel & Estella Leblanc

Sunday Missals for Young Catholics 2025-2026

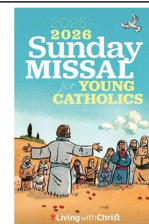
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Please call 519-336-2653 x200, or email aiafrate@dol.ca to pre-order.

NOTE: We are not taking pre-orders of the adult Sunday Missals. We will be ordering a fair amount for our seven churches and we will let you know when they are available for pick up.



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

Sunday, July 20	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Benedict – following 9am Mass • Secular Franciscans General Meeting ~ St. Benedict – 2pm • Vespers ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 4:30pm followed by potluck • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – following 5pm Mass
Monday, July 21	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm
Tuesday, July 22	• Divine Mercy Store ~ St. Joseph – 11:30am-2:30pm • Choir practice & Vespers ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 7pm
Wednesday, July 23	• Soup Wednesday ~ Our Lady of Mercy – following 12:10pm Mass • Dame de Ste Anne Fellowship ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 1pm • Bible Study with Father Brian ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 6:30pm • Rosary in Spanish ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin – 7pm
Thursday, July 24	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy – 1pm
Friday, July 25	•
Saturday, July 26	•



**In the family, faith is handed on together
with life, generation after generation.**

Pope Leo XIV
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Sunday, July 27, 2025

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly (WDGE) 2025 will be celebrated on Sunday, July 27, 2025, close to the Feast of Saints Anne and Joachim, grandparents of Jesus (July 26).

The theme is “Blessed are those who have not

lost hope.” (cf. Sirach 14:2). Let us take this opportunity to uplift grandparents and the elderly, cherishing them as blessings in our faith community!

For creative tips and resources to help highlight the Day, visit www.cccb.ca.



Weekday Mass Intentions - July 28 to August 2

Monday, July 28

8:00am Queen of Peace - English +Clementino Gismondi ~ Bruno & Ivana Gismondi +Alicia Blythe ~ Family	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Helen Hvizdos ~ Helen Bartos Nellie Deery ~ Deery Family	6:30pm St. Michael Giannina Veta ~ Sister, Gisele DeSena & Family Richard DePelsmaeker ~ Helen Ross Justine Lobo ~ The Family
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Tuesday, July 29

9:30am Sacred Heart Bruce Robertson ~ The Robertson Family John Mahoney ~ Margaret Duncan MacKenzie ~ Sheila & Family Special Intentions ~ Sheila & Family	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Maria P. Cocozzoli ~ Daughter Lily Cocozzoli Bonnie Yates ~ Allan Mearns Lyle Williams ~ Wife Cathy & Family 7:00pm Queen of Peace - Polish +Stefan & William Sanca ~ Zofia +Paweł, Paulina & Stanisław Wojton ~ Zofia	6:30pm St. Benedict Souls in Purgatory ~ Manuel & Maria Aguiar Jorge Ali Gomez - Gomez Family
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Wednesday, July 30

8:30am St. Michael Intentions of the Leitzinger Family ~ The Mele, Mauti & Aversa Families	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy In Thanksgiving ~ Teresita Lane
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Thursday, July 31

9:30am St. Benedict Michael TinHla ~ Maria & Jim Leliveld Souls in Purgatory ~ Maria Pacheco Maria Machado ~ Manuel & Maria Aguiar	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Ed Chamberlain ~ Wayne & Susan Gord Modde ~ Pete & Shelley Aarssen Fausto Bucci ~ Family Intentions of Wayne & Linda Forbes ~ Sue Delsnyder & Family Marcial Landiza ~ Jeraldine Busalanan Intentions of Chris Burley ~ Pensioners Club of Sarnia	6:30pm Sacred Heart Bertha Loosemore ~ Daughter, Ethel Dyck Nancy DeSena ~ Fernando & Maria DeSena Juvencio D'Costa ~ The Monteiro Family John ~ The Monteiro Family Pressy Monteiro ~ The Monteiro Family Serafim & Maria do Carmo Pimentel ~ Zenaida & Manuel Ferreira
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Friday, August 1

8:30am St. Thomas d'Aquin - Eng. Morris Lacroix ~ Terry & JoAnne Burrell Rheal Thériault & Joe Thériault Intentions of the Kensley Family ~ Doreen Paquette	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Intention of Joe & Jackie Kennedy ~ Ross Family Daniela Mezzatesta ~ Husband Dani Intentions of Adorers at the Chapel ~ The Adoration Committee Noe Aguiar ~ Esmeria Aguiar Jose Ortins ~ Wife & Daughters Bonnie Yates ~ Helen Ross	7:00pm Queen of Peace - Polish +Frank Mrnik ~ M. Mrnik O Boże błogostawieństwo dla Cioci Jadzi ~ Mary Antolak O błogostawieństwo Boże dla Hedwig ~ Joe Krasinkiewicz
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Saturday, August 2

8:00am Queen of Peace - English +Walter Bucci ~ Wife & Family Reparation for all offences committed against Immaculate Heart of Mary +Henryk Bulsza-Danylewycz ~ John Bulsza-Danylewycz +Trudy Coleman ~ Richard Joyce

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, July 27	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy — following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Benedict — following 9am Mass • Vespers ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 4:30pm followed by potluck • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin — following 5pm Mass
Monday, July 28	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 1pm
Tuesday, July 29	• Divine Mercy Store ~ St. Joseph — 11:30am-2:30pm • Choir practice & Vespers ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 7pm
Wednesday, July 30	• Soup Wednesday ~ Our Lady of Mercy — following 12:10pm Mass • Bible Study with Father Brian ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 6:30pm • Rosary in Spanish ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin — 7pm
Thursday, July 31	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 1pm • Choir Practice ~ St. Benedict — 6:30pm
Friday, August 1	•
Saturday, August 2	•

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 3	• Coffee Sunday ~ Our Lady of Mercy — following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Benedict — following 9am Mass • Vespers ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 4:30pm followed by potluck • Coffee Sunday ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin — following 5pm Mass
Monday, August 4	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 1pm
Tuesday, August 5	• Divine Mercy Store ~ St. Joseph — 11:30am-2:30pm • KofC General Meeting ~ St. Benedict - 6:30pm • Choir practice & Vespers ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 7pm
Wednesday, August 6	• Soup Wednesday ~ Our Lady of Mercy — following 12:10pm Mass • Bible Study with Father Brian ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 6:30pm • Rosary in Spanish ~ St. Thomas d'Aquin — 7pm
Thursday, August 7	• Pensioners Club of Sarnia ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 1pm • Meat Bingo ~ Our Lady of Mercy — 7pm
Friday, August 8	• Latin Mass ~ St. Joseph—7pm
Saturday, Augst 9	•

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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Welcome Fr. Andrew Ankamah!



Greetings of peace and Joy to the Sarnia Faith Community.

I am Rev. Fr. Andrew Ankamah of the Congregation of the Holy Ghost, (Spiritan). I am a social worker, a community development worker by profession. I was ordained on the 17th of August, 2013 after my first degree, a Bachelor of Arts in Religion and Cultural Studies from the Spiritan International School of Theology (University of Nigeria, Nsukka) and a Masters in Theology, Affiliate (Duquesne University, USA).

After my ordination, I was appointed to work in Bolivia, Latin/South América. In Bolivia, I worked as the Associate Priest, in San Juan Bautista Parish in the Archdiocese of Santa Cruz De La Sierra, Bolivia, from 2013 to 2018 and in Maria de Nazaret Parish as Pastor from 2018 to 2023. I returned to Ghana, my province of origin in 2024, and I was transferred to the TransCanada Congregation of the Holy

Ghost, Spiritans in 2025. In Canada here, I was asked by my Superiors to come and work with the Diocese of London. And now here in this lovely Christian community of Sarnia. My hobbies include playing football (soccer), watching movies and reading.

Saludos de paz y alegría a la comunidad de Sarnia.

Soy Padre Andrew Ankamah de la Congregación del Espíritu Santo (Espiritano). Soy trabajador social (trabajador de desarrollo comunitario) de profesión. Fui ordenado el 17 de Agosto de 2013, tengo título en Bachillerato en Artes en Religión y Estudios Culturales de la Escuela de Teología Internacional Epiritano (Universidad de Nigeria, Nsukka) y Maestría en Teología, Afiliado (Universidad Duquesne, EE. UU.).

Después de mi ordenación, fui designado para trabajar en Bolivia, Sud América. En Bolivia, trabajé en la Arquidiócesis de Santa Cruz de la Sierra, en la parroquia San Juan Bautista como sacerdote asociado de 2013 a 2018 y en la parroquia Maria de Nazaret como Párroco de 2018 a 2023. Regresé a Ghana mi provincia de origen en 2024 y fui transferido a la Transcanada, congregación de la Espiritu. En 2025, Canadá, mis superiores me enviaron a trabajar con la Diócesis de Londres. Y ahora aquí en esta encantadora comunidad cristiana de Sarnia. Mis aficiones son jugar al fútbol, ver películas y leer.



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To the Knights of Columbus of Sarnia and Bright's Grove and the Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes,

The Pregnancy Options and Support Centre wishes to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to the Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family Parishioners for the generous donations you provided during your 2025 Baby Shower drive sponsored by the Knights of Columbus! Your financial gifts, as well as the baby items and gift cards, are a blessing as we continue serving vulnerable people in our community. We rely on God to provide everything we need and He is always faithful as He moves on the hearts of generous people like you!

Our heart and vision for our community is that no one ever has to face an unexpected pregnancy alone. More than anything, we want women, men, and families to be empowered with the resources they need to thrive and experience a hope-filled future.

Here are the words of one young lady who has benefited from the Pregnancy Centre's support:

"I chose to reach out to the centre when I found myself in one of the toughest situations I could imagine, unsure who to speak to about my options and what advice to consider for myself. I was overwhelmed and the centre instantly provided me comfort and understanding; I wasn't as alone as I once had thought. I can't express in words the gratitude I have for the centre and all of what they do for people. It's a warm and welcoming place that's non-judgmental and goes above to ensure you have the amenities and tools to choose what's right for you and your child; physically, emotionally and mentally. I can't say where I would be today if it wasn't for the centre and all the things they've taught me throughout my journey. It's very assuring to know that people care! I couldn't be more grateful for the assistance the centre has offered me."

Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family Parishioners, you share in this client's story of support and empowerment! Your ongoing financial partnership helps make our vision an increasing reality in the Sarnia-Lambton community. Thank you so much!

Most sincerely,

Stephanie Courtney
Executive Director