

**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, ON 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. 9am-12pm

St. Thomas d'Aquin
895 Champlain Rd.
Sarnia ON N7V 2E9

Telephone: 519-336-2653

email: sbrcfp@dol.ca www.sarniacatholic.ca



**SOCIETY ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
CHRISTMAS GIFT CARD PROGRAM**



Christmas is just around the corner and our Family of Parishes Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conferences are once again preparing to support families in need at this time.

Our families in need are increasing. We provide gift cards for food and gifts cards for children's gifts. Our Catholic faith is not only acknowledged by attending Mass each weekend but is also a sign of caring for others.

Please help us to do this by contributing to our SSVP conferences by using envelopes provided or by using an envelope labelled SSVP Christmas donation. If you cannot contribute at this time,

I ask you to please keep those in need in your prayers.

Blessings,
Linda Kensley

SSVP Sarnia Lambton President



- 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.

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



Pray for Vocations

Rev. Dariusz Lewandowski
Rev. John Betkowski
Rev. Steven Eckert
Rev. Dikran Islemeci
Rev. T. J. Vandermeer
Rev. Etienne Nadonye, O.F.M. Cap.
Ministers to the Bereaved in the Diocese of London

Readings for Sunday, November 16, 2025

1st Reading
Malachi 4:1-2
2nd Reading
2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Gospel
Luke 21:5-19

HOW TO REACH US

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor

Rev. Brian Jane ex.222

Associate Pastors

Rev. Michael Woods ex.225

Associate Pastor in Mentorship

Rev. Andrew Ankamah C.S.Sp. ex. 230

Lay Ecclesial Ministers

Leonia Downie ex.228

Jenn Stewart ex.229

Deacons

Deacon David Cummings ex.235

Deacon David Kraemer ex.238

Deacon Christopher Stoesser

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Louis Guimond ex.240

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Annie Ferrera ex.221

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Alyssa DeCiantis ex.245

Custodial Staff

519-336-2653 (call will be directed)

Please Pray For

Charlie O'Rae Tony Lavoratore Bertha Priest Scot Blythe
Martha Fracalanza Tony Muir Mary Debus Madeleine Serratore
Debbie O'Hagan Priya Marie Johnson Lisa Fex Doreen Ducharme
Audrey Heath Sandra Cabiddu Peter Tote John VanWerde
Steve Mechan Maria Margarida Pacheco Nora Kraemer Dan Blythe
Wanda Stephenson Ghislaine Bernard Annetta Houston Sonya Aarssen
Peter Murphy Veronie Hutchings Raymond Lucier Michael Houston
Shannon Murdoch Pat Tremain Mary Bigras Virginia Vanderveen
Brad Kelch Lisa Mallette Dr. Lynn Straatman Margie Blake Ray Tomkins
Jessica & Eliot Shore

WEEKEND CONFESSIONS

Saturday

8:45am-9:30am

Queen of Peace

11am-12:00pm

Our Lady of Mercy

Sunday

4:30pm-4:45pm (Sp.)

St. Thomas d'Aquin

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

WEEKEND MASSES

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

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

Liturgy of the Word...for Children ages 4 to 8

St. Benedict @ 9 am

Sacred Heart @ 9 am & 11 am

Our Lady of Mercy @ 8:30 am

St. Joseph @ 11 am

St Michael @ 10:30 am

St. Thomas d'Aquin @ 5 pm (Spanish)



*Generous and Merciful Father,
In this year of Jubilee, with the love of Your Son, Jesus Christ, enlighten our minds with Your Holy Spirit
and strengthen our hands for service.*

Weekday Mass Intentions - November 17 to November 22

Monday, November 17

8:00am Queen of Peace - English
 +Katarzyna Danylewycz-Bulsza ~
 John Bulsza-Danylewycz
 +Rosalinda DiBartolomeo ~
 Marcel & Estella Leblanc
 +Marcelino D'Castro ~
 Pinheiro Family
 All Souls in Purgatory ~ mARIA
 +Pascoal & Clementina D'Castro ~
 D'Castro Family
 +Constancio & Luizinha Fernande ~
 D'Castro Family

12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy
 Letizia Iacobelli ~ Rzeznik Family
 Souls in Purgatory
 Manuel Aguiar ~ Filomena Correia
 Jose & Fernanda Aguiar ~
 Filomena Correia
 David Nguena & Healing of his
 Family & Descendants ~ Liliane
 Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ P. Family

6:30pm St. Michael
 Ian Riach ~ The Robertson Family
 Adriana Kelders ~ The Kelders Family
 Frank Ferrera ~
 Mom, Filomena & Family
 Carlo Hrvatin ~ The Family
 Maurice L'Heureux ~
 Brian & Cecile McEachen
 Intentions of Alan & Elaine Jane

Tuesday, November 18

9:30am Sacred Heart
 Giovanna Tote ~ Maria Tote
 Jodie Gottfried ~ Margaret Potter
 Louis Michaud ~ Jacqueline Croft
 Saveria & Gaetano Miceli ~
 Daughter, Maria & Family
 Abel & Mariana DaSilva ~
 Daughter, Filomena DaSilva
 Intentions of Chantal & Genevieve ~
 Jacqueline Croft

12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy
 Don Prentice ~ Gerard & Jackie
 Warner French ~ Rosemary French
 Jose & Fernanda Aguiar ~
 Maria Esmeria Aguiar
 Souls in Purgatory
 Intention of Nicole MacMillan &
 Family
 Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ P. Family

6:30pm St. Benedict
 Margaret McFadden ~
 Sarnia Celtic Supporters Club
 Joao & Conceicao Amaral ~
 Margarida Pacheco
 Marcelino D'Castro ~ Pinheiro Family
 Deceased Members of Di Murro & Vani
 Families ~ Alessandro & Tulia Di Murro
 & Family
 Lance Corporal Anthony Mastromatteo
 ~ Family
 Souls of all Families ~ Pascal & Family

Wednesday, November 19

8:30am St. Michael
 Larry ~ Irene McLellan

9:30am St. Joseph
 Deceased Members of MacDougall &
 Beaton Families ~
 Lauchie MacDougall
 Deceased Members of D'Arcy
 Family ~ Brendan D'Arcy
 Tiberio Cordeiro & Deceased
 Members of Cordeiro Family &
 Souls in Purgatory ~ John & Tiberia
 Deceased Members of Mechan
 Family ~ Steve Mechan
 Sister Marilyn Machado ~
 Louis & Meena Machado
 Souls in Purgatory

12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy
 Noe Aguiar ~ Esmeria Aguiar
 Assunta & Adolfo Mancini ~
 Mary Mancini
 Intention of Krystyna Madej
 Joe & Fernanda Aguiar ~
 Charmain MacKinlay
 Special Intentions ~ L.
 Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ P. Family

Thursday, November 20

9:30am St. Benedict
 Joe & Fernanda Aguiar ~
 Jim & Annetta Houston
 Nicolina Petti ~ Tony Zangolli
 Intentions of the Sick ~
 Margarida Pacheco
 Deceased lafrate & Riggi Families ~
 Family
 Deceased Di Scanno & Tote Families ~
 Family
 Fr. Rick Dales ~ Margaret Potter

12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy
 Intention of Leanne Murray
 Birthday Blessings ~ Mom
 Delores Murray
 Joe Matz ~ Wife Rosalie
 Rosa & Pietro Savo ~ Family
 Mike Gabriele ~ Family
 Carlo, Fiorina & Mario Scaccia ~
 Maria Scaccia & Family

6:30pm Sacred Heart
 Bertha Loosemore ~
 Daughter, Ethel Dyck
 Skip LeClair ~ Mary & Josh
 Lourdes Fernandez ~
 The Monteiro Family
 Elizabeth Joseph ~
 The Monteiro Family
 David Nguena & healing of his family &
 descendants ~ Liliane
 Intentions of Alan & Elaine Jane

	Friday, November 21	
8:30am St. Thomas d'Aquin Lorette & Wilfred Haché ~ Rose-Marie et Yvon Marcelino D'Castro ~ The P. Family Duncan MacKenzie ~ Wife, Sheila & Family	12:10pm Our Lady of Mercy Frank Power ~ Wife Kathie Deceased Members of Delsnyder Family Fernanda & Jose Aguiar ~ Filomena Cabral & Family Mary & John Simrak ~ Daughter Mirra & Family Deceased Members of Moynihan Family Souls in Purgatory	

Saturday, November 22 8:00am Queen of Peace

Holy Souls in Purgatory ~ Pinheiro Family
+ Cecylia & Lucjan Redzynia ~ Daughter- Maria Walicka
+ Pascoal & Clementina D'Castro ~ D'Castro Family
+ Constancio & Luizinha Fernandes ~ D'Castro Family
For Deceased Priests & Religious ~ AN
+ Lamko Chow ~ Greg & Carolyn Gehl



Development and Peace—Caritas Canada

THE POWER OF THE MOVEMENT

Do you know someone who believes in social justice and solidarity among peoples and who would like to participate in awareness and mobilization campaigns to build a world of justice and peace?

Invite them to become a member of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada and join a democratic movement with 12,800 members across the country!

For more information, contact Gregory Stewart stewgreg0@gmail.com

First Holy Communion & Reconciliation Registration

Deadline: December 12, 2025

For full details
and to register:



[sarniacatholic.ca/
reconciliation](http://sarniacatholic.ca/reconciliation)

Questions? Contact Jenn Stewart, Lay Ecclesial Minister, at jstewart@dol.ca

Advent Memorial Service

Sunday, December 7 at 2:00pm

Sacred Heart Church

All are invited to join in honouring loved ones who have gone home to God - this year or in years past - at our Family of Parishes annual Advent Memorial Service.

A time of fellowship & refreshments will follow in the meeting room.

No RSVP is required for this service.

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 High School on Sunday afternoons from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, twice a month. November 16, 30, Dec. 14, Jan. 11, 25, Feb. 8, 22, Mar. 8, 29, Apr. 12, 26.

For more information or to register go to Family Foundations Institute famfi.ca and click on "Programs", or email Tara Costain at sarniacatechism@gmail.com

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, November 16	• Coffee Sunday - St. Benedict – following 9am Mass • Coffee Sunday - Sacred Heart - following 9am & 11am Masses • Secular Franciscans General Meeting - St. Benedict - 2pm • Vespers - Our Lady of Mercy – 4:30pm, potluck to follow at St. Benedict • Coffee Social - St. Thomas d'Aquin - following 5pm Mass
Monday, November 17	• Knitting & Crocheting - Sacred Heart - 1pm • Choir Practice - St-Thomas d'Aquin - 6:30pm • SSVF Meeting - St. Michael - 7pm
Tuesday, November 18	• Divine Mercy Store - St. Joseph - 11:30am to 2:30pm • Vespers Choir Practice - Our Lady of Mercy - 7pm
Wednesday, Nov. 19	• Soup Wednesday - Our Lady of Mercy - following 12:10pm Mass • Rosary in Spanish - St. Thomas d'Aquin - 7pm
Thursday, November 20	• Quilting - St. Michael - 9:30am • Timeline Bible Study - St. Benedict - 1pm • Social Justice & Missions Team Meeting - St. Michael - 4pm • Choir Practice - St. Benedict - 6:30pm • Latin Mass Choir Practice - Our Lady of Mercy - 7pm • Meat Bingo - Our Lady of Mercy - 7pm
Friday, November 21	• Art Group - Our Lady of Mercy - 1pm
Saturday, November 22	• Crafternoon Tea - Our Lady of Mercy - 11am • KofC Community Tire Swap - St. Benedict - see details below



**St. Benedict
Knights of Columbus**
COMMUNITY TIRE SWAP



The St. Benedict Knights of Columbus (KofC) is pleased to offer a community seasonal tire swap program for vehicle owners within the Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes (FOP) on Saturday, November 22 and 29 between 9am and 12pm.

This initiative aims to assist the community with the transition of seasonal tires while raising funds to purchase and maintain a defibrillator machine for St. Benedict and Queen of Peace Churches. All tire swaps will be conducted by qualified, licensed automotive technicians to ensure safety and quality. All those interested must bring their vehicles and mounted tires on wheel rims to the St. Benedict Church driveway, near the garage situated between the church office and Holy Trinity school.

A minimum donation of \$50 is requested for this service. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or e-transfer to the Knights of Columbus at fs11164@ontariokofc.ca. Charitable tax receipts will be provided. Parishioners' generosity is greatly appreciated. All proceeds of this community tire swap is for the purchase of two defibrillator machines for St. Benedict and Queen of Peace Church.

Contact Leo Mayer at 519 331-7700 to make an appointment.



Come for service, join us for service



Children ages 4 to 8 are invited to Liturgy of the Word with Children.

The celebration of the Liturgy of the Word with children is a liturgical experience that opens young people to hear and respond to God's Word in ways that enable them to be nurtured and challenged by its power, and to experience the grace of ongoing conversion to the vision and values of the Word of God.

UPCOMING EVENTS...

Sunday, November 23	• Coffee Sunday Our Lady of Mercy - following 8:30am Mass • Coffee Sunday - St. Benedict - following 9am Mass • Coffee Sunday - Sacred Heart - following 9am & 11am Masses • Confirmation - St. Michael - 2pm • Vespers - Our Lady of Mercy - 4:30pm, potluck to follow at OLM • Coffee Social - St. Thomas d'Aquin - following 5pm Mass
Monday, November 24	• Knitting & Crocheting - Sacred Heart - 1pm • Choir Practice - St-Thomas d'Aquin - 6:30pm • Lectio Divina (Spanish) - St-Thomas d'Aquin - 7pm
Tuesday, November 25	• Divine Mercy Store - St. Joseph - 11:30am to 2:30pm • CWL Regional Meeting - St. Benedict - 6pm • KofC 4th Degree Meeting - Our Lady of Mercy - 6:30pm • Vespers Choir Practice - Our Lady of Mercy - 7pm
Wednesday, Nov. 26	• Soup Wednesday - Our Lady of Mercy - following 12:10pm Mass • Dame de Ste Anne Fellowship - St-Thomas d'Aquin - 1pm • Choir Practice - Sacred Heart - 6pm, followed by social • Rosary in Spanish - St. Thomas d'Aquin - 7pm
Thursday, November 27	• Quilting - St. Michael - 9:30am • Timeline Bible Study - St. Benedict - 1pm • Latin Mass Choir Practice - Our Lady of Mercy - 7pm
Friday, November 28	• Art Group - Our Lady of Mercy - 1pm
Saturday, November 29	• KofC Community Tire Swap - St. Benedict - see details below



ADVENT Resources Freewill Offering

Advent Resources for children and adults are available at the welcome desks in our churches.
A free-will offering is greatly appreciated.
Thank you.

Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes

Family Christmas Party

30 NOVEMBER, 2025

OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH HALL

1 PM-3PM

REGISTER BEFORE NOVEMBER 21, 2025

<https://sarniacatholic.ca/upcoming-events>

Christmas
Carols
Movie

Hot Dogs
Lemonade
Cookies

Pikangikum Christmas Gift Project 2025

There are still 8 names left for Christmas Gifts for our Family of Parishes Pikangikum Christmas Gift Project. If you would like to provide a gift for one of these 8 people on the list, please contact Theresa vanKoeeverden at hmp9@gmail.com or Vera Lawlor at vllawlor@cogeco.ca. Your generous gift donation will bring a smile and message of love to a needy person in Pikangikum First Nation community.

Young Adult Advent Retreat

Step away from the busyness of life and make this Advent truly meaningful. Join us for the Young Adult Advent Retreat, a weekend designed to help you grow deeper in your Catholic faith and embrace the beauty of the Advent season, both in the Church and in your daily life. Experience a weekend filled with prayerful reflection, inspiring conversations, quiet moments, joyful activities, new friendships, social time, and amazing food. Space is limited, so don't wait, secure your spot today! Retreat Details:

When: Friday, December 5 to Sunday, December 7, 2025

Time: Doors open at 6:00 p.m. | Retreat begins promptly at 7:15 p.m. on Friday | Ends at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday

Where: Holy Family Retreat House, 121 Victoria St RR#1, Harrow, ON N0R 1G0

Who: Young Adults ages 18 - 35

Cost: \$275 (includes accommodations, all meals, and more)

Early Bird Rate: \$225 if registered and paid by November 7 (Payment plans available) More details are at this [link](#).



A festive poster for a Christmas Sing-A-Long event. It features a light beige background with a green border. At the top, there are colorful Christmas ornaments (red, green, and gold) and small green holly leaves. The text "Christmas" is written in a large, red, cursive font, followed by "SING-A-LONG" in a bold, red, sans-serif font, and "Everyone Welcome!" in a red, cursive font. Below this, there is a paragraph of text: "Feel free to bring your guitar or accompanying instrument & join with the piano accompaniment. Music will be provided for those who wish to sing harmony parts on the carols and all lyrics will be provided on the overhead screen." The date and time are listed as "Sunday December 21" and "2:00 - 3:00pm with cookies & refreshments to follow." The location is "Sacred Heart Church". At the bottom, there is a contact email "leannecmoran@gmail.com" and a row of green Christmas trees.

★ Christmas ★
★ SING-A-LONG ★
★ Everyone Welcome! ★

*Feel free to bring your guitar or accompanying instrument
& join with the piano accompaniment. Music will be
provided for those who wish to sing harmony parts on the
carols and all lyrics will be provided on the overhead screen.*

Sunday
December 21 | 2:00 - 3:00pm
Sacred Heart Church | with cookies &
refreshments to follow.

Questions:
leannecmoran@gmail.com



A poster for a Rorate Mass event. It has a dark blue background with a lit candle on the right side. The title "Rorate Mass" is written in a large, white, cursive font. Below it, the text "CANDLELIT VOTIVE MASS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY" is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. A quote in white text reads: "the Light of the world, who is soon to be born, and offer praise to God for the gift of Our Lady". Below the quote, it says "Mass will be celebrated so that the sunrise occurs around the time of the consecration." The date and time are "DECEMBER 20, 2025 | 7:15 AM" and the location is "OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH". At the bottom, it says "A light breakfast to follow in the hall."

Rorate Mass

CANDLELIT VOTIVE MASS
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Join the Vespers Choir in honouring...

"the Light of the world,
who is soon to be born,
and offer praise to God
for the gift of Our Lady".

Mass will be celebrated so that the sunrise
occurs around the time of the consecration.

DECEMBER 20, 2025 | 7:15 AM
OUR LADY OF MERCY CHURCH

A light breakfast to follow in the hall.



Charitable gaming centers across Ontario have contributed to the incredible milestone of \$600 million to local charities this year. St. Joseph Parish is proud to participate in this initiative at Jackpot Time Bingo.

Visit Jackpot Time at [825 Upper Canada Drive](#), support St. Joseph Parish and enjoy a game of bingo in a comfortable, newly renovated facility. Bingos run twice daily, at 1pm and 7pm.

Thanks to our group of volunteers that make the time to help at Jackpot Time, the parish reaps the financial reward. Money raised is used for building upgrades as needed. Thank you for your support!

Job Posting

Diocese of London – Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes

Full-time Handyperson

Position: Full-time Handyperson

Work Location: Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes – work locations will include parishes and/or parish halls located in Sarnia, Ontario

Commitment: 35 hours per week. Flexibility to work hours on weekends and/or on evenings is required.

Compensation: Salary commensurate with experience and Diocesan policies. This position is eligible for participation in the lay staff benefits plan and pension program.

Posting Date: November 10, 2025

Closing Date: November 24, 2025

POSITION SUMMARY

Reporting to the Building Property Coordinator, the Handyperson will be responsible for the timely completion of general maintenance and minor repairs of seven churches and associated structures. This role is vital to ensuring the Family of Parishes' sacred spaces remain safe, functional, and welcoming for parishioners and visitors.

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

- Performs routine maintenance tasks including but not limited to: painting, minor plumbing, carpentry
- Responds to urgent repair needs across the Family of Parishes properties
- Maintains building access systems and assists with security upgrades
- Coordinates with contractors for specialized repairs; monitors and maintains tools, supplies, and equipment
- Oversees and provides assistance as required to ensure the completion of seasonal tasks such as snow removal, lawn care, gutter cleaning, etc.
- Documents completed work and hours by location and reports concerns to the Building Property Coordinator.
- Attends on site for evening and weekend events, provides oversight and caretaking as required.
- Completes other duties of a similar nature as assigned by the Building Property Coordinator.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- Legally eligible to work in Canada without employer sponsorship
- Minimum of a grade 12 diploma or recognized equivalent in Ontario
- Proven experience in general maintenance and/or trades
- Ability to work independently and support multiple sites
- Strong problem-solving skills and attention to detail
- Positively self-motivated with a strong ability to properly prioritize work needs
- Ability and willingness to perform tasks of a physical and manual nature safely and efficiently both indoors and outdoors is required
- Valid class "G" driver's license and use of personal vehicle is required
- Ability and willingness to work a flexible work schedule including varying days of work, varying hours per day and/or work hours in the evenings and/or on weekends is needed
- Understanding of and a professional and respectful attitude towards the mission of the Roman Catholic Diocese of London and the Catholic Church is necessary

A police record check as deemed suitable by the Diocese of London will be required of the successful candidate.

Please note: All new staff are required to complete on-line mandatory training available in English or French. Basic computer and reading proficiency in French or English to successfully complete this education is required

Please submit your resume along with a cover letter outlining your relevant experiences and skills to:

Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes

Attn: Business Manager, LouisGuimond lguimond@dol.ca

Reference the job title in the subject line of your email.

We thank all who apply to this position for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

The Diocese of London is an equal opportunity employer, and we value the importance of diversity and dignity in the workplace. In keeping with the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act and the Ontario Human Rights Code, we are committed to providing suitable accommodation throughout the recruitment process. If you are contacted for an interview and require accommodation to participate in the recruitment and selection processes, please make your needs known at that time.

Job Posting
Diocese of London – Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes
Full-time Bilingual (French and English) Coordinator of Youth and Family Ministry

Position: Full-time Bilingual (French and English) Coordinator of Youth and Family Ministry

Work Location: Sarnia Bluewater Roman Catholic Family of Parishes – primary work location: St. Benedict parish, 1011 Oak Ave in Sarnia, ON. Travel to other parishes within the Family of Parishes will be required.

Commitment: 35 hours per week. Flexibility to work hours on weekends and/or on evenings is required.

Compensation: Salary commensurate with experience and Diocesan policies. This position is eligible for participation in the lay staff benefits plan and pension program.

Posting Date: November 10, 2025

Closing Date: November 24, 2025

POSITION SUMMARY

Reporting to the Pastor, the Bilingual Coordinator of Youth and Family Ministry is responsible for various areas of faith formation, program coordination and delivery in working with elementary and secondary school-aged children in our supported French and English speaking schools. This position also provides ministry for young adults and families. The Bilingual Coordinator of Youth and Family Ministry, as part of the Pastoral Team, is responsible for the evangelization, development, and support of the liturgical, sacramental and community life of the Family of Parishes.

SUMMARY OF DUTIES:

- In conjunction with the Pastoral Team, plans, coordinates, and facilitates ministry programs for secondary school age youth, young adults and families.
- Acts as the primary liaison with the French Catholic elementary and secondary schools within the Family of Parishes boundaries.
- Co-ordinates and facilitates with the other Lay Ecclesial Ministers for school liturgies, retreats, and pastoral visits with both French and English schools within the Family of Parishes.
- Participates in the teaching and delivery of Sacramental preparation programs in both French and English.
- Encourages, teaches and works to provide opportunities for youth and families to learn and participate in traditions of prayer life, retreats, and evangelization for both French speaking and English speaking parishioners.
- Completes other duties of a similar nature as assigned by the Pastor and/or his designate.

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

- Certificate in Youth Ministry and/or a Bachelor of Arts or Master's degree in Pastoral / Lay Ecclesial Ministry or in Religious Studies and/or a Certificate in Pastoral Ministry, or the willingness to obtain one.
- Fully bilingual in French and English – both written and oral.
- Active practicing Catholic – letter of recommendation from Pastor is required.
- Strong knowledge of, and prior experience in the organization of French speaking liturgical celebrations.
- Prior experience and knowledge in the field of Catholic education in both the French speaking and English speaking school boards.
- Good working knowledge of the evangelizing mission of the Church. Leadership qualities: organizational skills; teaching skills; strong communication skills and the ability to successfully multi-task and effectively prioritize.
- Advanced computer skills in Microsoft 365 suite of products to produce results in both French and English.
- Ability to work successfully as part of a team.
- Skills in successful volunteer recruitment, training, and support.
- Must be flexible and adaptive to the different cultural traditions within the family of parishes.
- Valid class "G" driver's license and use of personal vehicle is required.
- Ability and willingness to work a flexible work schedule including varying days of work, varying hours per day and/or work hours in the evenings and/or on weekends is needed.
- Professional representative of the Diocese of London at all times with an understanding of and desire to support and promote the mission of the Diocese of London.

A police record check as deemed suitable by the Diocese of London will be required of the successful candidate.

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We thank all who apply to this position for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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Affichage de poste
Diocèse de London – Famille de paroisses catholiques romaines de Sarnia Bluewater
Poste bilingue à temps plein (anglais et français)
Coordonnateur/trice du ministère de la jeunesse et de la famille

Poste : temps plein bilingue (anglais et français) – coordonnateur/trice du ministère de la jeunesse et de la famille

Lieu : Famille de paroisses catholiques romaines de Sarnia Bluewater – bureau principal : paroisse St. Benedict. Déplacement requis entre les autres paroisses au sein de la famille.

Engagement : 35 heures par semaine. Emploi du temps flexible afin de travailler les fins de semaines et les soirs est requis.

Compensation : salaire en fonction de l'expérience et les normes diocésaines. Cet emploi permet la participation au régime de bénéfices et de retraite du personnel laïc

Date d'affichage : le 10 novembre 2025

Date de clôture : le 24 novembre 2025

SOMMAIRE DE L'EMPLOI

Sous la direction du curé, le coordonnateur/trice bilingue du ministère de la jeunesse et de la famille sera responsable de la formation de la foi, de la coordination et la mise en marche de programmes pour les enfants des écoles élémentaires et secondaires de langue française et de langue anglaise. Cet emploi fourni aussi le ministère des jeunes adultes et des familles. En tant que membre de l'équipe pastorale, le coordonnateur/trice bilingue du ministère de la jeunesse et de la famille, sera responsable de l'évangélisation, le développement et l'appui à la communauté liturgique, sacramentelle et la vie communautaire de la famille des paroisses.

SOMMAIRE DES TÂCHES

- Conjointement avec l'équipe pastorale, planifier, coordonner et faciliter la mise en marche des programmes pour les jeunes des écoles secondaires, les jeunes adultes et les familles.
- Être agent de liaison primaire avec les écoles catholiques de langue française élémentaires et secondaires au sein des frontières de la famille des paroisses.
- Coordonner et faciliter avec les autres ministres ecclésiastiques laïcs les liturgies scolaires, les retraites ainsi que les visites pastorales avec les écoles de langue française et les écoles de langue anglaise au sein de la famille des paroisses.
- Participer à l'enseignement et à la mise en marche des programmes de préparation aux sacrements en français et en anglais.
- Encourager, enseigner et travailler afin de fournir l'occasion à la jeunesse at aux familles francophones et anglophones d'apprendre et de participer aux traditions d'une vie de prière, de retraites et d'évangélisation.
- Accomplir d'autres tâches similaires telles que dictées par le curé et/ou son mandataire.

QUALIFICATIONS ET EXIGENCES :

- Certificat en pastorale des jeunes et/ou Baccalauréat des arts/Maitrise en Pastoral/Ministère ecclésial laïc ou en Études Religieuses et/ou un Certificat en Ministère Pastoral, ou le désir d'en obtenir un.
- Parfaitement bilingue en français et anglais – oral et écrit.
- Catholique pratiquant et actif – lettre de recommandation d'un curé exigée.
- Connaissances approfondies et expérience de l'organisation des célébrations liturgiques de langue française.
- Expérience antérieure et compréhension des enseignements catholiques dans les écoles de langue française et les écoles de langue anglaise.
- Bonne connaissance pratique de la mission d'évangélisation de l'Église.
- Démontrer des qualités de leadership : habiletés organisationnelles ; habiletés pédagogiques ; bonnes capacités de communication et habiletés de fonctionner en mode multitâche et de prioriser efficacement.
- Compétences avancées des produits « Microsoft 365 Suite » afin de produire des documents en français et en anglais.
- Habileté à travailler avec succès en équipe.
- Habiletés à recruter, former et appuyer des bénévoles avec succès.
- Être ouvert et flexible face aux différentes traditions culturelles au sein de la famille des paroisses.
- Être en possession d'un permis de conduire valable de classe « G » et l'utilisation d'un véhicule personnel est requis.
- Être capable et prêt à travailler des horaires flexibles soit différents jours, différentes heures et/ou les fins de semaine si nécessaire.
- Être un représentant/e professionnel/le du Diocèse de London en tout temps comprenant et désirant appuyer et médiatiser la mission du diocèse de London.

Certificat de vérification d'antécédents judiciaires en vue d'un travail auprès des personnes vulnérables est requis si la candidature est retenue.

A noter : tout nouveau personnel doit compléter une formation obligatoire en ligne disponible en français et en anglais. Compétences de base en informatique et en littéracie en français et en anglais sont nécessaires pour compléter cette formation.

Veillez soumettre votre C.V. accompagné d'une lettre de candidature soulignant vos expériences pertinentes et vos compétences à :

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a/s : Louis Guimond, Gérant des affaires lguimond@dol.ca Inscrivez le titre du poste dans l'objet de votre courriel

Nous remercions l'intérêt de toutes les candidatures à ce poste, cependant seulement celles sélectionnées seront demandées en entrevue.

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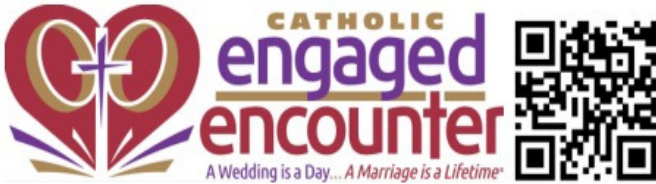
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