



Amherstburg-Harrow Catholic Family of Parishes



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Sacraments

Baptism

Contact the Parish Office

Reconciliation

Saturday - Amherstburg 9:45am - 10:30am
or by appointment 519-736-5418

Holy Matrimony

Contact the Parish Office one year
prior to your wedding

St. Anthony of Padua

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Amherstburg-Harrow Catholic Family of Parishes



Our Mission Statement

"Guided by the Holy Spirit, we are a welcoming, Eucharistic community, rooted in love and service, leading all to an encounter with Christ."

May 4, 2025

3rd Sunday of Easter



Regular Mass Times and Location

Weekday

Tuesday 5pm - Harrow

Wednesday 9am - Amherstburg

Thursday 9am - Harrow

Friday 9am - Amherstburg

Weekend

Saturday 5pm - Amherstburg

Sunday 9am - Harrow

Sunday 11am - Amherstburg

Bulletin Notices

All submissions must be in writing
or emailed no later than Tuesday
at 4:00 pm

Office Hours

Monday ~ Closed

Tuesday - Friday 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Closed for lunch 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Tuesday Mass Cancellation

Reminder that there will be no mass on Tuesday, May 6th at 5:00pm at St. Anthony of Padua.



For everything there is a season. . .

"a time to be healed. . ."

Please pray for those in our parish family who are sick and chronically ill.

"a time to die. . ."

Remember in prayer all deceased relatives and parishioners who have past away in the month of March especially, *Janette Faucher and Sue Prieur*.



Congratulations to those

who have joined our parish family through the Sacrament of Baptism during the Month of March

Brodie Alan Beaulieu

Grace Rosalyn Hindi



May they always live out their call to discipleship.

Holy Hour

Sunday, May 25th at 7:00pm
St. John the Baptist Church



Weekday Mass & Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 6

5:00pm St. Anthony of Padua

→ **No Mass**

Wednesday, May 7

9:00am St. John the Baptist

- † Marilyn Thrasher by Lou Ann & Dave Greenham
- † Gary & Dorothy Jenner by Ted & Judy
- † Ronald Meloche by Ted & Judy
- † Mary Louise Mayville by AHCFOF
- † Souls in Purgatory by FOSS
- † Teresa & Giuseppe Cappuccilli by Kim & Nick Sauro

Thursday, May 8

9:00am St. Anthony of Padua

- † Laura Gaspar by Cindy Martin
- † Carlos Teves by Luciano Abeu
- † Joaquim Rodrigues by Eugenia Pedro
- † Christine McGuire by Helen Bonyai
- † Maria Eugenia Garcia by Maria Cacilhas
- † Brian Pollard by Theresa McDonald

Friday, May 9

9:00am St. John the Baptist

- † Edwin Marontate (3rd Ann) by Frankie Marontate
- † David Jariett by Andre DeRoy
- † June Bondy by Lynn & Dan Bellefleur
- † Rick Allard by Rose Ann Berthiaume
- † Lorraine Snively by Derek Gignac
- Special Ints. for SSVP Conference & the People we Serve

Financial Report for the Week of April 27, 2025

St. John the Baptist Parish

Regular Sunday Offertory	\$ 2,939.00
Debits / e-transfers	\$ 3,031.47
Dio. Assess (including Debits)	\$ 130.39
Other: Easter	\$ 1,120.00
Other: Good Friday	\$ 150.00
Other: Funeral	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 7,470.86
Average weekly budget 2025	\$ 9,159.00
Shortfall / Surplus	\$-1,688.14
Capital Funds including Debits	\$ 291.93
Share Lent	\$ 340.00
Mass Intentions	\$ 335.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 70.00
St. Peter's Seminary	\$ 10.00

Gift Card	Sales	Profit	YTD
	\$4,630.00	\$156.65	\$2,047.25

St. Anthony of Padua Parish

No collection to report this week.

Please see next week's bulletin for the Offertory Collection for April 27th.

Thank you for
giving
generously!





Sunday Reflection

The readings for the 3rd Sunday of Easter Year C remind us of the joy and responsibility of following Jesus. They teach us about obedience, love, worship, and care for others. These lessons help us grow in faith and live out our call as Christians.

The apostles show courage and trust by obeying God rather than men, even when facing suffering. Their example encourages us to put God first, no matter the challenges. This obedience shows our commitment to Him.

Revelation shows a beautiful scene of all creation worshiping Jesus, the Lamb. This reminds us to give Him honor and praise. Worship helps us focus on what matters and brings us closer to Jesus. It also connects us with other believers.

In the Gospel, Jesus asks Peter if he loves Him and tells him to care for His followers. This shows that love for Jesus is shown through action. Loving Jesus means helping and supporting others in our lives.

Jesus also deepens His relationship with the disciples, calling them to greater love and commitment. He asks us for the same. Our faith is not just about learning; it is about a close, personal bond with Jesus.



These readings from the 3rd Sunday of Easter Year C call us to follow Jesus with joy, love, and dedication. They remind us to obey God, worship Jesus, and show love through our actions. (sourced from young-catholics.com)

March for Life in Ottawa



This week I will be in London for the Council of Priests meeting with the Bishop on Tuesday and then heading off to Ottawa for the National March for Life until Friday. As people of faith, we need to keep the issues of life before our government, so that they will enact laws that protect the dignity of the human person from conception to natural death. We will have to see what the approach of our next government will be! Please note there will not be a Mass on Tuesday in Harrow.

Local March for Life

This Sunday will be our annual Windsor-Essex March for Life (see details in the bulletin). It is important as Catholic people, whose teachings on the sanctity and dignity of life from conception to natural death is very clear, that we publicly stand up for our beliefs. Please take a little time out of your afternoon to show your support for life by attending the walk or at the minimum by joining in an hour of prayer for the unborn in your home.



First Eucharist



Over the next three weeks, many of our young children will be receiving Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time. We congratulate them on this special day and commend them for all the hard work they and their families have done over the last few months preparing.

As we may have some extra visitors joining us for these celebrations, please show them our warm Amherstburg-Harrow Catholic Family of Parishes welcome and assistance!

Upcoming Conclave

As a Church, we have been grieving the death of Pope Francis. As the Church has done throughout the centuries, however, we must also keep moving forward. After the death of a pope, the cardinals gather in conclave to elect a new pope. I have provided a prayer for us to say in support of this important mission of the cardinals.



Father Most Holy, our God and King, protect Your Church in this time of transition. Guide the cardinals in their sacred duty. Grant them Wisdom and Courage, Hope and Charity, and the Faith they need to discern Your Holy Will. Creator of all that was, is, and is to come — You alone know the heart of the one You have chosen as the next successor to Saint Peter. Reveal Your will to the College of Cardinals. Open their hearts to Your inspirations. Open our hearts to receive, with faith and obedience, the one whom You will raise up to sit on the Chair of Saint Peter. May he be a man of deepest compassion, a man of profound faith and hope, a man whose charity shines forth, permeating the darkness of this world with the light of Christ. You are God Most High, the God of the living and the dead, the Great I AM, the Alpha and the Omega, Eternal Being and Source of all that is. May Your holy will be done, now and forever. Amen. Alleluia.

Gratitude for Many Things

Thanks to all those who offered me wishes and gifts for my 29th anniversary. Your kindness and support was greatly appreciated. I also want to thank all those who serve in various ministries in our Family of Parishes, in particular those who were able to attend our evening of celebrating God's gifts. We had over 70 people for this event and Lisa and Sharon did a wonderful job of providing an amazing spread of food!



CWL Tea Party Tickets



The CWL will be selling tickets to their High Tea Party after Mass beginning May 10th until June 1st. Please see the flyer on the next page for more information. The Tea Party will be June 7th from Noon till 3:00pm. Tickets are \$25 each. There will be a Silent Auction, Hat Contest, Photo Ops, Games and Prizes! Come on out and enjoy an afternoon of Tea or punch, scones, sandwiches and of course dessert!

Spring is Here!



You may have noticed that the Church and Rectory yards need some love and care. Grab a neighbour/friend and spend an afternoon or even a couple of hours to help clean up the yard on Saturday, May 10th - rain date May 17th. Bring your muscles and work gloves and we will have garden tools, yard waste bags, water and laughs!

High School Students, this would be a great opportunity to get some volunteer hours!

Please send an email to sandi.pelee@gmail.com if you plan on coming.

ULTREYA

"We are an Easter People and Alleluia is our song"
(Saint John Paul II)

Save the Date

Friday, May 9, 2025 at 7:30pm
St. John the Baptist Church
225 Brock St. Amherstburg



We will be hosting this Ultreya and need volunteers to help with setup, take down, greeting and bringing snacks. Thank you. All Cursillistas and Babe Chicks Welcome!

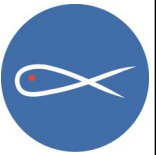
Good Friday Procession 2025



This message comes with our utmost appreciation to everyone involved. We are so very thankful to Fr. Matt and the entire Parish staff and members for their continued support and encouragement. Special thanks to everyone that is part of the Good Friday Procession group. Without you all we would not be able to continue with this annual event and we look forward to 2026!

Update from St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul wishes to thank Fr. Matt, the CWL and the parishioners for their Lenten prayers and the 1000 plus food donations. Our request for food is ever increasing so we are very grateful for your continuing support. Since Christmas we have made deliveries to over 152 households. Please keep the people we serve in your daily prayers. Thank You. "Blessed is he who shows kindness to the poor."



May 4th March for Life & Silent Vigil

The 2025 WERTL March for Life
St. Michael's Byzantine Catholic Church
2120 Byng Rd., Windsor, ON N8W 3E2

Program Start Time: 2:15pm

Guest speaker: Keturah Dumaine

St. Michael's is located right next to Met Hospital at the corner of Tecumseh Rd. & Byng Rd. Please use the parking that is beside the church; the gravel lot.

Bring a Mother's Day gift to the March for Life: we will be collecting essential supplies to help expecting moms/mothers with newborns who are struggling to buy needed baby items. The following are highly sought-after items: newborn hats and scratch mitts, baby socks, bibs, baby shampoo, lotion, bodywash and diaper cream, baby towels and wash cloths, teething rings, baby wet wipes, gently used or new baby clothes 0-12 months.



Event sponsored by Windsor-Essex County Right to Life



Please join us
every Wednesday from 9:30am - 9:30pm
for **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**
at St. John the Baptist Church
in the Adoration Chapel

Divine Mercy Hour
every Friday afternoon at 3:00pm
at St. John the Baptist Church
in the Adoration Chapel





HIGH TEA PARTY

Hosted by St. John the Baptist CWL
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SATURDAY | 7 JUNE | 12:00-3:00PM

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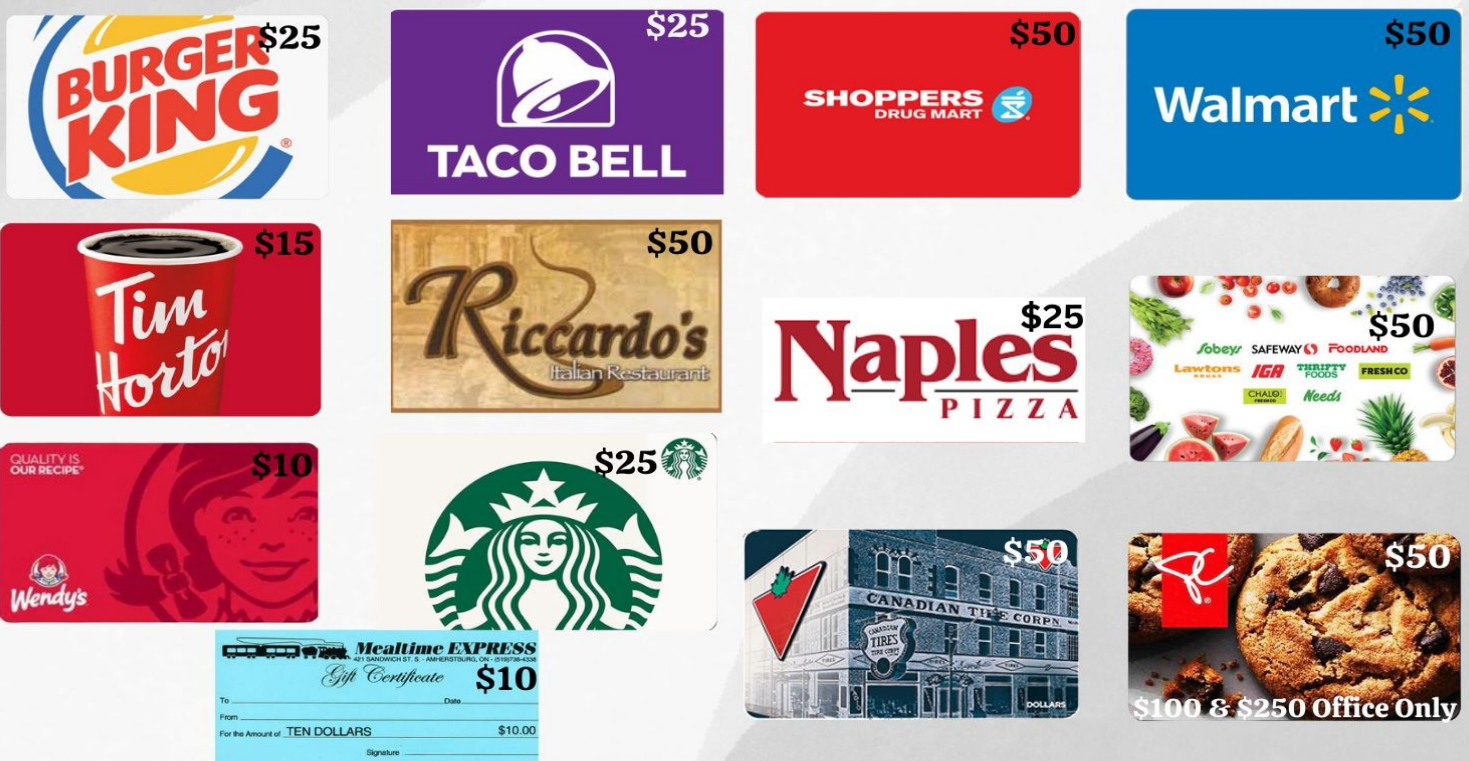
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