



WEST MIDDLESEX CATHOLIC
FAMILY OF PARISHES

"A mission-oriented church that forms disciples of Jesus"

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March 3, 2024 Third Sunday of Lent and March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent




Please keep in your prayers Sunday, March 3

- ♦ all disciples of Jesus live out the commands of God with love and courage, relying on God's wisdom and strength;
- ♦ our Lenten journey increase in us a true awareness of what is important in this life so that we attain the gift of eternal life;
- ♦ the Elect, awaiting the saving waters of Baptism, seek purification and enlightenment in this period of preparation;
- ♦ farmers who devote themselves to the tilling of the soil
- ♦ receive just and equitable remuneration, in order to continue their work and live adequately;
- ♦ all who are seeking their vocation as given by God, including those called to the priesthood, take heart in knowing God's gift of grace to be able live their call with all on the journey of this life;
- ♦ all who are sick and suffering, especially those who are seriously ill, be granted strength from God and support from loved ones and other care-givers;
- ♦ Rev. John Pirt, Deacon Paul James, Deacon Dominic Vu, Deacon Phil Guimaraes, Rev. Christopher Gillispie, Rev. Frederick Howard-Smith, Deacon Andre Dedecker



Fourth



SUNDAY

IN LENT

Please keep in your prayers Sunday, March 10

- ♦ Mrs. Betty Hompoth Pastoral Minister, Deacon Victor Salazar, Rev. Gerard Bedard, Deacon James Vandersanden, Mrs. Alive Chinnick Catechist, Rev. Russell (Rusty) Shantz, Mr. Filipe Da Silva Pastoral Minister of Faith Formation



Reflection

Third and Fourth Sundays of Lent, March 3 & 10, 2024

As I was driving to the office this morning in my very dirty van, I found myself following a beautiful white and very clean Lincoln SUV. For a moment, I thought about how nice it would be to own such a beautiful clean and modern vehicle. But then, my common sense kicked in. This was never going to happen to me. For one, I don't need to drive such a vehicle and two, even though I would have a nice new vehicle to drive, it would still be continuously muddy because of where I live. Do appearances really matter?

The opening line from the Second Reading, Paul's letter to the Corinthians, caught my eye as I read over the readings for the next two weeks. "The message about the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God." What does this say about appearances?

What do you think about when you look at the Cross? What does it appear to be to you? Do you see it as a symbol of your salvation? Do we see what the Cross represents, or do we see what we want to see?

Many of us wear a sign of our Christianity and or Catholicism around our necks as an outward symbol of our faith. We proclaim Christ crucified! What sign or symbol to others does this give off? If you were questioned about why you wear a cross or crucifix around your neck, would you be able to defend your decision? More importantly, do we take the message that the cross represents to heart.

When I travel to another country, I try to find a cross to bring back home with me. Some of these crosses are hanging in my office on the wall. Each one is unique to the country of origin, reflecting a distinct style of art or colours of the region. I must say the cross I collected in Russia is a bit morbid with skulls and images of the dead under the feet of Jesus.

In the Second Reading for next week, St. Paul tells the Ephesians, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not our own doing; it is the gift of God." What a beautiful gift of grace this is. How fortunate are we to be saved by the Cross and then given the gift of grace, the gift of faith!

See if you can spend some time this Lent pondering what the Cross means to you. Attending Stations of the Cross is a great way to do this as you are actively part of Jesus journey to the Cross.

It has been said many times that we all need to pick up our cross and carry it through life. This Lent, I challenge you to not only pick up that Cross but to lay yourself down on it and allow yourself to be nailed to it with Jesus. Fully embrace that Cross. Picture yourself at the foot of the Cross with Jesus. Can you bear to look at the suffering he is experiencing? Do you have the courage to offer up all of your suffering to Jesus? God's mercy and unbounding grace awaits us if we but ask! Perhaps part of my cross is to drive around a continuously muddy van.

Reflection by Julie de Gouw, Pastoral Minister.



At a glance ...

- Please read the bulletin carefully, for dates and times for Stations of the Cross and Adorations at all locations.
- If someone you know is home-bound or unwell, and they would like a visit by a priest, please call the office to get on the list. 519-245-0644.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** VBS Summer 2024—All Saints July 8-12, Sacred Heart Parkhill July 29—August 2.

Answering the Call: Spiritual Direction

If you feel the Holy Spirit moving you towards a deeper relationship with God, spiritual direction could be your next step. It's a personal journey to explore your faith and understand how God works in your life.

Are you interested in following this call? Let's journey together.

Reach out to begin:

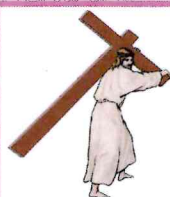
Caroline@guidedfaithjourney.com

Leave a Legacy

Leave a legacy of faith by remembering the Church in your Will. By planning a gift now to your parish, the seminary or the diocese, you can support the Church today and for generations to come. www.dol.ca/legacy

Lenten Adventure for Children

<https://holymen.com/pages/lenen-adventure>



DURING LENT....

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FEBRUARY 16 – MARCH 22

All Saints Church

10:00am Wednesdays, 5:45pm Thursdays (in Portuguese),
7:00pm Fridays

Sacred Heart Church

6:30pm Fridays

St. Charles Garnier Church

5:45pm Wednesday s

Crowning's of the Holy Spirit

Domingas do Divino Espirito Santo

During the Easter Season we celebrate the Crowning's of the Holy Spirit in which families host a week of prayer, song, and praise. This year we have four Sundays still available for host families. They are the weekends of April 21st, April 28th, May 5th, and May 12th. If you are interested in hosting one of these prayer weeks, please contact Gloria Cravo at 226-678-5403. For more information, please contact Olga or Anna at the parish office.



Duarte o tempo Pascal celebramos as Coroações do Divino Espirito Santo, no qual as familias organizam uma semana de oração, cânticos e louvor. Este ano temos quatro Domingas ainda disponiveis para as familias de acolhimento. São os fins de semana de 21 de Abril, 28 de Abril, 5 de Maio e 12 de Maio. Se você estiver disponivel para hospedar uma dessas semanas de oração, entre em contact com Gloria Cravo pelo telefone 226-678-5403. Para mais informação por favor ligue para Olga ou Anna no escritório da paróquia.

Easter Flower Donations

Donations will be collected again this year to help offset the cost of Easter flowers in each of our parishes.

Please pick up a Flower Donations envelope, or send an envelope with the name of your loved one clearly written on the outside and your name or envelope number. All names will be posted in the bulletin and on the West Middlesex Catholic Family of Parish website on Easter Weekend.

We thank you in advance for your continued generosity. Deadline is Sunday, March 24.



If you wish to have the bulletin sent directly to your inbox, or to get any last minute updates or changes happening across our family of parishes, please go to our website and sign up by clicking on the button above. It's that easy! Never miss another bulletin or update again.



All Saints, Strathroy-Weeks of March 5-15

Confession times: Saturdays 4:00 – 4:45pm

Tue Mar 5, Rosary 6:00pm / Mass 6:30pm

Sp. Int. for Joe Nash/reposed soul of Frances Nash – Joe Nash
Luisa & Manuel Alcaldinho - family
Theresa McCosham - Larry & Mary MacDonald
Special Intention for Marianne Lewis - Mom & Dad
Sogros e defuntos da familia da Maria Azevedo
Special Intention for Kevin Adams – Margaret & Jim Adams



Wed Mar 6, Mar 9:00am with OLOP

Manuel Fernandes - Deolinda e Agostinho Pereira
Claude Lizotte - Suzanne Murray
Dalia & Ricardo Oliveira - Isaura Mendonca
For the intentions of Connie & Herm Vanderheyden - Kaitlyn Mathieson
Manuel & Jacinta Monteiro - Margaret & Jim Adams
Francisco Pinheiro – Muelher e filhos

Thu Mar 7, Via Sacra 5:45pm / Mass 6:30pm

Arthur Macedo - Family
Jose Antonio Costa - Rosa e familia
Helena e Joao Raposo - Connie Jesus
Horacio Duarte - Deolinda e Agostinho Pereira
Gisela Cabral e Maria da Boa Nova - Armanda Melo
Mario & Francelina Nogueira – family

Fri Mar 8, Mass 9:00am

Abigail, Alexandra & Nathan Hallaert - Joe & Isolina
Bob Hallaert - Joe & Isolina
Angie Sweeney - Joe & Isolina
Special Intention of Kimberly Rose - Joe & Isolina
Deceased family members of Thuss, Vens, Davidson & Cochrane families
- Bobbie & Jerry
Clarisse Henriques, Maria Antonia Mendonca, Fatima Freitas & brothers in law
- Maria Azevedo

Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

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Tue Mar 12, Rosary 6:00pm / Mass 6:30pm

Deceased Members of VanDamme family – Estate
Leonel & Maria Teresa Goncalves - Family
Antonio Pereira Cravo & Maria de Jesus - Celeste Pereira
Aida Trindade - Celeste Pereira
Special Intention for Marianne Lewis - Mom & Dad
Maria da Conceicao Pinheiro - Friend

Wed Mar 13, Mass 9:00am

MaryJo Garcia - Anna & Mario
John Garcia - Francisca Garcia
Jose Mendonca & Luis Mendonca - Isaura Mendonca
Special Intention for Lourdes Correia – Bobbie & Jerry Vens
John & Francisca Soares – Francisca Garcia
Marty Grigg – Bobbie & Jerry Vens

Thu Mar 14, Via Sacra 5:45pm / Mass 6:30pm

Manuel Gomes - Zulmira & family
Manuel Paiva - Ofelia Paiva
Horacio Duarte e defuntos da familia Correia – Carminha Duarte
Chris & Scott Buchannon - Maria Quadros
Hermiterio Santos - Isabel Santos
Irma Silvana Paiva - Ofelia Paiva

Fri Mar 15, Mass 9:00am

Jose Moniz - Laudalina Moniz
Carlos Camara & Souls of Purgatory - Madalena Camara
Olivia, Angela, Alda; Manuel & Isolina Pereira - Pereira family
Helio Mendonca, deceased family & friends - Maria Mendonca
Francisco Pedro & Deceased Family - Evelina Pedro
William & Sheila Moir – Margaret & Jim Adams

Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

Sacred Heart, Parkhill

Weeks of March 5-15

Confession times: Tuesdays 5:30– 6:15pm

Tue Mar 5, NO MASS

Thu Mar 7, Mass 9:00am

Joaquim Placido - Margarida Pontes
Helene & Gary Scheib - Conrad Scheib

Fri Mar 8 – 6:30pm Stations of the Cross

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Tue Mar 12, Mass 6:30pm

Emile & Irene Masschelein - Family
Bill Boere – Family
Intentions of the Living & Deceased CWL members
Special Intention for the Kustermans family - Bunny & Paul
HarrisLambert Vanderkant - Sacred Heart CWL
Joe Van Riel - Sacred Heart CWL

Thu Mar 14, Mass 9:00am

Special Intention for Joseph Nash - Julie & Pete
Anneliese & Erhard Sinnewe & deceased family
- Conrad Scheib

Fri Mar 15 – 6:30pm Stations of the Cross



St. Charles Garnier, Glencoe

Weeks of March 5-15

Confession times: Wednesdays 5:30– 6:15pm

Wed Mar 6, 5:45pm Stations of the Cross / 6:30pm Mass

Shannon Havens - Rich & ML DePelsmaeker
Wendy McCready - Rich & ML DePelsmaeker

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Wed Mar 13, 5:45pm Stations of the Cross / 6:30pm Mass

Zulma DePrez - Rich & ML DePelsmaeker
Peter Heynen - Rich & ML DePelsmaeker



All Day Adoration will be held during Lent on Fridays, at All Saints church, after the 9am Mass until 4pm.

Sign up for a time slot on the sheet found in the purple binder in the narthex. Come and spend time with Jesus!

For more information,
contact Ambily Thomas
Phone 647-625-0574 or
email
ammutomas@gmail.com

*If anyone would like to
organize this for one of
the other churches,
please call the office.*



From the Diocese of London

Come and See Weekend

Friday, March 9, 2024 to Sunday March 11, 2024. St. Peter's Seminary invites you to a discernment retreat for men 17 years old and older that are considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a firsthand experience of the life of a seminarian, provides spiritual help for discernment and offers the opportunity to meet current seminarians and faculty of St. Peter's Seminary. To register visit www.dolpriest.ca/registration.



Take Action for the Care of Our Common Home

In 2015, Pope Francis released the encyclical *Laudato Si'*: On Care for Our Common Home. He called on us to hear the cry of the poor and the cry of the earth and respond to their needs. have realized that our responses have not been adequate." (LD 2) Over the next year, we are inviting each person, each household, each community to consider what small steps can be taken in response to the cry of the poor and the cry of earth. Get part 1 the action plan, the Lent 2024 plan, at dol.ca/laudato-si.

Job Opportunities

The Diocese is seeking a Director of Liturgy, the North Central Windsor Catholic Family of Parishes is seeking a Bookkeeper, the LaSalle River Canard and East Windsor Families of Parishes are seeking a shared Business Manager, and the South Windsor and North Central Windsor Families of Parishes are also seeking a shared Business Manager. The details for all are at <https://dol.ca/> employment.

God wants to give you more. How will you respond this Lent?

This Lent, **experience deeper peace and healing** as Fr. Mark Toups immerses you in Christ's final journey to Jerusalem, inviting you to reflect on Jesus' suffering and death, and inspiring you to celebrate in his resurrection.



Reserve a copy using the form on our website, phone or stop by the office to purchase. Book is \$15.

St. Charles Glencoe—CWL NEWS

CWL WORKSHOP: Sat. April 6, 2024 10am -

Parish Hall—Compassionate Community Care, CCC - Being With Volunteer Visitor / Patient Advocacy Training Session. Supporting our community's seniors & the vulnerable. Invited Guest Speakers : Kathy Matusiak Costa, (CCC) and Alex Schadenberg, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition (EPC). See attached flyer for registration.

FUTURE EVENTS: World Day of Prayer MARCH 1, 2024 - 10am at Presbyterian Church, Glencoe. Theme : " I Beg You Bear With One Another in Love " Ephesians 4:1-7 Host Country - Ladies of Palestine..... ALL WELCOME !

Next CWL meeting Wednesday March 27, 2024 at parish hall. SPECIAL NOTICE : Collection of feminine Hygiene Items for our ' Crowning of Mary ' Ceremony at upcoming April CWL AMM Convention. (donations will be shared with local food banks).

ALL WELCOME - March 29, GOOD FRIDAY ' Poor Man's Lunch ' in parish hall following 11am service.

Save our Environment ' Milk Bag Mats ' Program - drop off clean used milk bags which are cut into strips then weaved into mats for third world communities.

LENTN SEASON - ' Sisters in Christ ' share your 40 ACTS of KINDNESS with others.



All Saints Strathroy—CWL NEWS

Plan on joining us for the Coldest Walk on February 24. More details to follow. World Day of Prayer (for all people to attend) is Friday March 1st at St. Andrews in Strathroy. Save the date.



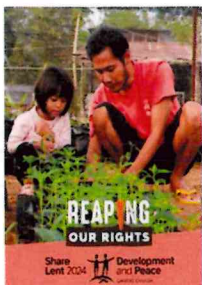
Week 3: March 3 **Denouncing oil pollution in Nigeria**

Nigeria is Africa's largest economy and biggest oil producer. Despite oil exports worth billions of dollars, millions of Nigerians remain in poverty and face food insecurity. In the south, pollution and contamination by the oil industry are causing great hardship.

Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner Health of Mother Earth Foundation (HOMEF) defends farmers' rights and helps protect their lands. To learn more about the work of HOMEF, read our [Mini-magazine](http://devp.org/lent) and watch the video at devp.org/lent.

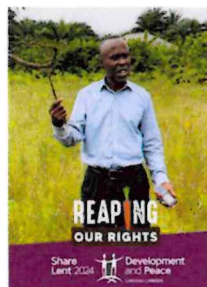
Week 4: March 10 **Training next-generation farmers in Indonesia**

In rural Indonesia, young people are abandoning agriculture to work in cities. Over time, this could threaten food sovereignty.



Our partner PAYOPAYO empowers village communities to work together to find solutions to common challenges related to agriculture, food, energy, natural resource management and the engagement of youths, especially women.

This Lent, meet our solidarity visitor Karno Batiran, the executive director of PAYOPAYO. Learn more at devp.org/lent.



Pastoral Team/ Staff office: 519-245-0644

Fr. Thom Blondin, Pastor ex. 22

Fr. Christian Amogu, Associate Pastor ex. 25

Deacon Henry Tomaszewski

Deacon Jim Vandersanden

Julie de Gouw, Pastoral Minister ex. 26

Olga Ferreira, Office Administrator ex. 21

Anna Garcia, Secretary ex. 0

Marg VanderBurg, Secretary ex. 24

**personal emails can be found on the website*

** messages can be left at the office for both Deacons*

Next Meeting on Monday, March 18 at 6:30pm, St. Angela's Room, All Saints.

EASTER APPEAL - 2024

During the month of March, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting non perishable items which will be donated to the Caring Cupboard, Oneida, Women's Rural Resource Centre, and the Children's Aid Society.

This collection will take place in the narthex, starting Saturday, March 9th up to Sunday, March 24th.

Thank you for your generous donations!

SOCIAL JUSTICE SESSION

Please come join in—Social Justice Session 4 (of 6) - Energy Choices, presented by our Youth Conference of St. Vincent de Paul. In person at St. Justin's parish, Monday, March 4th from 7:00-8:30pm.



Our next Take a Break will be on Monday, March 11th . Come anytime from 10:30 -

1:00. Lunch will be served by the CWL at 11:30.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, March 6th, along with as any dietary restrictions.

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"Preparing for Holy Week" - Holy Family Retreat House A Day of Reflection – Saturday, March 23, 2024

Holy Week is the most significant week in Catholicism. Spanning from Palm Sunday to Holy Saturday, it marks the final stretch before Easter Sunday, the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection. During this Day Retreat, we will prepare our hearts and minds to enter this sacred week as we meditate on the profound journey of Jesus' suffering, sacrifice, and victory over death. There will be times of led reflection and personal time for prayer and contemplation. The day retreat is from 9am to 3pm and includes lunch and coffee/tea. Cost is \$55 per person, includes lunch and beverages. For more info visit www.hfrh.ca and click on "Upcoming Group Retreats."

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Email: stcharles@dol.ca

Office Hours

Monday through Friday 9:00am to 4:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: (Confession)

5:30—6:15pm Tuesday at Sacred Heart Parkhill church

5:30—6:15pm Wednesdays at St. Charles Garnier church

4:00—4:45pm Saturdays at All Saints church

Also by appointment, or just ask a priest anytime.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Congratulations! Please contact Julie de Gouw (jdegouw@dol.ca or 519-245-0644 ext. 26) at the office to arrange a baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage: Congratulations! Please call the office to make an appointment.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE WEST MIDDLESEX CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES



All Saints, Strathroy

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am/11:00 am

** 11:00 am will be livestreamed each week*

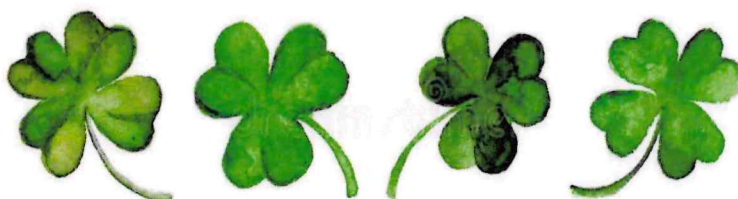
Sacred Heart, Parkhill

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am

St. Charles Garnier, Glencoe

Sunday 9:00 am



Revenue & Expenses January 2024

| | All Saints | Sacred Heart | St. Charles |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Revenue | \$ 47,124.87 | \$ 6,433.71 | \$ 6,679.37 |
| Expenditures | \$ 50,176.07 | \$ 12,591.52 | \$ 8,294.69 |
| Surplus (Deficit) | \$ (3,051.20) | \$ (6,157.81) | \$ (1,615.32) |

Thank you for supporting the work of Christ, through his Church



ESTATE PLANNING SEMINAR

Plan ahead so your
family doesn't have to.

Thursday, March 21 from 6 - 8pm

All Saints Parish - Parish hall
Light refreshments available

Speakers:

INVESTMENT PLANNING

with Sarah McLinchey, Financial Planner
with BMO Financial Group

WILLS AND ESTATES

with Andrea Bezaire, Lawyer
with Bezaire & Hemeryck Law

PREPLANNING AND AFTERCARE

with Jill Zavitz, Pre-Need Director
with Denning's



DENNING'S



RSVP by March 15 to jill@dennings.ca or 519-318-0617

Adoration

Lord Jesus Christ, you promised always to give your Church shepherds. In faith, we know your promise cannot fail. Trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit at work in the Church, we pray you raise up sacred ministers from your holy people, that the sacrifice in which you give your body and blood may be daily renewed in the world until we come to that kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Tues, March 5

at Sacred Heart, Parkhill and
at All Saints, Strathroy

Wed, March 6

at St. Charles Garnier, Glencoe

Following the 6:30pm Mass, please join us for
Adoration to pray for vocations to the priesthood.

PRIESTHOOD
Not An Ordinary Life

EDGE - All youth from the West Middlesex Family of Parishes in grades 5-8 are invited to join EDGE for upcoming nights of fun and food. Parents are required to sign their child(ren) in at 6:30PM and sign them out at 8:00PM.

Mark your calendars with the following dates and locations

March 20 at All Saints

April 17 at Sacred Heart

May 15 at All Saints

*Please note that these dates/locations are subject to change. Check the bulletin for announcements regarding Edge.

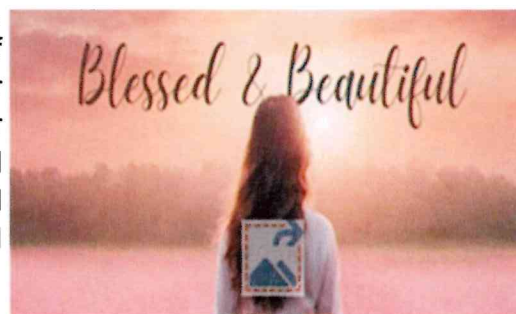
All Day Confessions Wednesday March 20th

9:30 to 11:30 am All Saints
2:00 to 4:00 pm All Saints
5:00 to 6:30 pm St. Charles Garnier
5:00 to 6:30 pm Sacred Heart
7:30 pm - 9:00 pm All Saints



FFI Annual Women's Seminar - "Blessed & Beautiful"

Family Foundations Institute (FFI) is hosting the Annual Women's Seminar on Saturday, March 23, 2024 from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at St. André Bessette High School in London. "Blessed & Beautiful" celebrates the essence of womanhood, encouraging every woman to recognize her unique beauty and blessings as a cherished daughter of God. The seminar is a wonderful opportunity for women of all ages and stages to come together, share ideas, build friendships, and develop practical tools for embracing their mission in the world. The guest speaker is Danielle Bean, creator and host of "Girlfriends," a podcast for Catholic Women. Register online at famfi.ca/aws and take advantage of early bird registration at \$45/individual (\$30/student).





The Knights of Columbus of All Saints' Strathroy

Dear Parishioners

On behalf of All Saints Knights of Columbus Council, thank you all who donated so generously to our 2024 Wheelchair Campaign.

Your financial support will help to supply much needed wheelchairs to those in dire need. Our efforts in 2024 will be concentrated on people needing our help in Ukraine!

God bless all of you for your giving nature to such a worthy cause.

Grand Knight Jerry Vens

We want to invite all the women in our parishes to join us for our **Abiding Together** group, held the 3rd Thursday of each month, at All Saints church at 7 PM.



This group's goal is to foster friendships and a supportive community with other women while exploring our Catholic faith.

We are working through a series on our Identity in Christ as Bride. We hope you will join us for a warm drink, good food, laughter, and growth.

There is a place for you here.

March 21st & April 18th

Questions or need a ride?

Please contact Krista Lenders 519-666-2961 benkrista@live.ca

More information on our website. Go to "Increase your Faith" and look for Abiding Together Women's Group.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY (birth years 2006 - 2009)



FUSE



Join Us **FUSE Youth Nights**

Friendship, Faith, Fun, and Food
All Saints Parish, Strathroy

Upcoming Dates

March 12th, 2024 - 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

March 27th, 2024 - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

April 9th, 2024 - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

April 24th, 2024 - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

May 8th, 2024 - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

May 22nd, 2024 - 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM



Alpha NEWS!!!

Alpha - 2024 begins May 14th

If you are pondering on the big questions on the meaning of life, faith and hope and would like to ask questions about the Christian faith and where God is... in your life, the world? Come and give our first session a try!! You are welcome to bring a friend along!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

- Alpha will run weekly on Tuesdays from May 14th to June 25th
- Participants are invited to join together for a meal which begins at 6pm. You are welcome to donate towards your meal, if you can.
- Alpha sessions run from 7:00 – 8:30 pm beginning with a Video followed by group discussion, and will be offered in person and on-line
- NOTE: Alpha Prayer Day is Saturday June 29th from 9:00am to 2:30 pm and a free lunch is included
- held at All Saints Church, Strathroy - Parish Centre
- Registration: at www.westmiddlesexcatholic.dol.ca

MORE NEWS: Alpha Retreat Day March 9th

To all who have completed the Alpha Course, you are invited to come to our Alpha Retreat Day!!

All Saints Church - Parish Centre

Saturday, March 9th 2024 9am - 4:00 pm

Presenters, Prayer, Worship in Song, Prayer Ministry, Friendship & Food

Register Alpha Retreat at www.westmiddlesexcatholic.dol.ca

Parkhill Knights of Columbus

Thank you to the parishioners of Parkhill for your generous donations to the Wheelchair Campaign. Our Knights of Columbus members collected \$437.00. This will send two wheelchairs to where they are most needed.



YOU ARE INVITED

CCC 'Being With Volunteer' Training Session

Workshop presented by St. Charles Parish CWL ' Sisters in Christ '

Saturday April 6, 2024 - 10am @ St. Charles Parish, 244 Stella Ave. Glencoe

Gain the confidence to journey with those who are suffering, socially isolated, sick or dying, to renew their hope and purpose in life.

Many people, especially vulnerable seniors in our communities, are isolated, lonely & without help. Here is an opportunity to support your neighbors and Community, remind them they are valued whether they live at home or in an institutional setting. *This may be a great opportunity for professionals, the charity sector & any students who need high school volunteer hours.

Guests will be trained to : - Recognize possible issues vulnerable people may have & support them in getting the help they may need to live fuller lives.

Be an effective advocate for vulnerable seniors, as well as people with illnesses or disabilities.

Work with us to provide visits & support to those in our area.

A certificate can be provided on completion

Please register with Shirley Gilliland @ dougandshirl3@gmail.com or (519) 852-0394

*** All those interested welcome to attend - 10am session / break / 1pm session**

OUR PRESENTERS:

KATHY MATUSIAK COSTA, Executive Director of Compassionate Community Care. CCC is a registered charity comprised of health care professionals & volunteers who provide support to vulnerable individuals & families during times of illness and crisis. * Kathy may speak about CCC, their training programs and the works with CWL groups & growing communities to help prevent Euthanasia and the safety of vulnerable seniors, etc.

ALEX SCHADENBERG, Executive Director of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. EPC is committed to the protection & advocating of the vulnerable, opposing the legislation of medical killing and promoting excellent care. * Alex may provide an update on Euthanasia in Canada and Abroad, their work & ongoing efforts at EPC, prevention, etc.





**COME ONE
COME ALL
TO
The Knights of
Columbus
Family Fish Fry**

**On Friday, March 22, 2024
From 5:00pm to 7:00pm
At All Saints Parish Hall**

**All proceeds will be donated to
The Knights of Columbus charities**

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