

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Oct 10

10:00 am **Grand Bend** - Rosary starts at 9:30am
Barbara Ann Meloche: Luke & Jean Mommersteeg
Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help follows Mass
7:00 pm **Parkhill** – Lucy Vander Vloet: SH CWL
7:30-8:30 pm Adoration

Wednesday, Oct 11

9:15 am **Parkhill – SCHOOL MASS**
Margareta Richarz: Chris & Barb Vander Vloet

Thursday, Oct 12

9:30 am **Chartwell Residence – Parkhill**
Jeff Mawson: Elea Thuss

Friday, Oct 13

10:00 am **Grand Bend** – William McTeer: Betty and Bill McTeer

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Oct 14

2:00 pm **Parkhill – Wedding**
Kelsey Cadman and Jeremy O’Callaghan
5:00 pm **Grand Bend** - Intention of Our Parishioners

Sunday, Oct 15

8:30 am **Parkhill** – Pray the Rosary
9:00 am **Parkhill** - Intention of Our Parishioners
11:00 am **Grand Bend** – Intention of Our Parishioners

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October 8, 2017

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Most of us would agree that we have been given much in our lives for which to be thankful. If we’re honest with ourselves, we would also agree that despite the abundance, we often do not use what we receive as well as we should. The earth was given to all, yet we often abuse it, hurting society’s most vulnerable. We can see this in the tragic rise in migrants fleeing poverty caused by environmental degradation and economic exploitation, as Pope Francis points out in *Laudato Si*.

In the reading from Isaiah, the Lord gives us a beautiful vineyard – our talents, earth’s abundance, companionship of others – yet we take these things for granted. God expects to see justice, but there is bloodshed, suffering and injustice. The Lord’s vineyard is not exclusive; it is open to all. The vineyard’s bounty goes to those who, as Paul says, do what they have learned, received and heard in Christ Jesus.

In Psalm 80 we ask God to restore us to live out God’s plan for us. Recognizing our weakness, we turn to God for strength and to realize the peace Paul says we can expect. The gospel strikes a similar chord. As with Christ himself, we know that, through God’s help, even a rejected stone cannot simply be another foundation piece of our lives, but the cornerstone itself.

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Our Mission Statement:

Our parishes of Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart of Mary will live our faith through service to others, invite all people to become intentional disciples, to be fed by the Living Eucharist

Thanksgiving Prayer

Dear Lord,
Today we give thanks
For our many blessings,
As we pray for those in need,
We give thanks
For our family and friends
As we pray for those who are lonely.
We give thanks for our freedoms
As we pray for those who are oppressed.
We give thanks for our good health
As we pray for those who are ill.
We give thanks for our comfort and prosperity
As we share our blessings with others.
On this day of Thanksgiving,
May the love of God enfold us,
The peace of God dwell within us
And the joy of God uplift us.
Amen



We do not do works of mercy to assuage our consciences, to make us feel better, he said. Rather, the merciful person is the one who has pity on others and shares in their suffering. We must ask ourselves, am I generous? Do I know how to put myself in another person's shoes? Do I suffer when I see another person in difficulty?

Pope Francis, June 8, 2017

International Buy Your Priest a Beer Day: September 9th

Yes, I know this date has already past, but I wanted to share with you that the organizers of this day have changed the moving date to a fixed date of September 9th. So, mark your calendars for next year. Did you buy your priest a beer? Of course, getting to know your priest over a beer does not have to be only on September 9th; you can do this anytime of the year. Someone pointed out that some priests do not drink beer. If that is the case, feel free to bake him cookies, take him for a hamburger, and get to know him better. Many priests tell me that they experience loneliness, and I would ask all of you to make sure your priest feels loved! He should be treated as a part of your family.

Save the Date! - Join us on **Thursday November 30th**, for a Potluck Supper, 7 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary to learn all about ALPHA!

What is Alpha?

Alpha is a kerygmatic tool for parish and community renewal

Alpha introduces people to the first proclamation of the good news of Jesus Christ, otherwise known as the Kerygma: 'Jesus Christ loves you; he gave his life to save you, and now he is living at your side to enlighten, strengthen and free you.' (Evangeliu Gaudium, 164)

Public Square Rosary Crusade – Join the 2017 Public Square Rosary Crusade on **October 14th** arrive at 11:45am to begin at 12(noon). The location is 120 Caradoc St. N., Strathroy (corner of Caradoc & Front Streets). For details see poster on bulletin board at entrance of church.

Pray for Priests and Religious Communities –



Sun Oct 08: Ian Duckworth, Coordinator Youth Ministry
Mon Oct 09: Deacon John Vezina
Tue Oct 10: Valerie Walter, Pastoral Minister
Wed Oct 11: Deacon Charles (Chuck) Stillwell
Thu Oct 12: Fr. Gregory Bonin
Fri Oct 13: Fr. Francis (Jack) Hurley
Sat Oct 14: Fr. Mukucha Kathemo, S.X.

Fall Bazaar – The St. Boniface CWL is holding their annual Fall Bazaar on **Saturday, October 28, 2017** from 10:00am – 2:00pm in the St. Boniface School gym in Zurich. Everyone welcome! See poster on the bulletin board for details.

St. Andre Reliquary - On **Saturday, October 21st**, the reliquary of St Andre will arrive at St. Peter's Church in St. Joseph at about 2:00pm and will be set in the church for people to spend time in prayer. At 4:00pm, we will pray the rosary at the new Rosary Garden. Followed by mass at 5:00pm.

When we think of how the Mass or the Eucharist is presented in the Bible, likely the first passages that come to mind are the gospel accounts of the Last Supper, when Jesus celebrated the Jewish Passover and broke bread with his Apostles. This isn't surprising, as it is from these gospel accounts that we find the words of Jesus that the Priest repeats at each Mass. But what Bible passage on the Eucharist would you look up next? For many of us, finding that second passage about the Eucharist might prove more difficult. We might even wonder if there *is* another passage about the Eucharist in the Bible. Would you like to learn more? Join us for the ten sessions of our Fall Bible Study series **LECTIO – EUCHARIST**, as we discover the Mass in the Bible! Start date is **November 7th**! Watch the bulletin for details or contact Julie de Gouw at jdegouw@dol.ca for more information.

Employment Opportunity - Sacred Heart Catholic School is currently looking to hire adult noon hour supervisors. We are looking for individuals who would be available to work on an on-call basis for one hour per day (11:50-12:50 p.m.) supervising students while they eat their lunch and play outside, have the ability to supervise a large number of students of elementary school age, have experience in caring for the general needs of children, have the ability to work outdoors in varying weather and temperatures depending on the season. This is a paid position with the London District Catholic School Board. If you are interested, please contact the school at 519-660-2776 or hepofficeadmin@ldcsb.ca.



2017 Parish Thanksgiving Appeal

Each of us is called to share his or her gifts in support of the Church. We are all invited to support our parish and our local community. The Parish Thanksgiving Appeal is a very effective way to support ministry in our parish. We thank you if you have already made a contribution. If you have not already done so, please consider making a donation to this year's Thanksgiving Parish Appeal. You may use the envelope in your box of offering envelopes, the donation envelope at the entrance of the church, or by writing the "Thanksgiving Appeal" on the front of a plain envelope (be sure to include your name and address on the front, if using a plain envelope). The Thanksgiving Appeal contributions stay within the parish and are not included in the Diocesan Assessment.

Office Closed – The office will be closed on **Tuesday, October 10th**



Edge Ministries has come to Sacred Heart Parkhill! The brand new youth program is for kids in grade 7, 8 and 9 and begins on **Wednesday, October 18** at 7pm in the parish hall. This is an exciting time for the youth ministry, for the core team of volunteers and for the future of families of Sacred Heart Parish! Come and be a part of something great! Parents are encouraged to hang around and have a coffee and some active conversation. For more information contact Julie de Gouw at jdegouw@dol.ca or 519-294-6844 ext. 24.

Notice

Please note that the **last Saturday evening 5pm Mass** of the season in Grand Bend will be **October 14, 2017**. Until next May, there will only be a Sunday morning Mass in Grand Bend at 11:00am. Starting **October 21, 2017**, Parkhill will resume having a Saturday evening Mass at **7:00pm** until the end of April. Parkhill will continue to have a Sunday morning Mass at 9:00am as well.



Rosary Before Mass at Sacred Heart - October 15, 8:30am .

Fatima: 100 years later! Oct 13 – 6th and final Apparition – Miracle of the Sun. Continuing our celebration marking the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima, we will be praying the rosary before Mass, Sunday, October 15th at Sacred Heart at 8:30. Please join us.

Centurion Cares Coat Collection - The Chaplaincy Team at Holy Cross Secondary School are looking for donations of gently used or new coats, mitts, hats and boots of all sizes. Your donations will help support youth and their families in our school community and the local community. Donations can be brought to the school between Tuesday October 10 to Friday October 20. For more information please contact Natalie Hleba (Chaplaincy Leader at HCC) at 519-660-2796 ext 313 or nhleba@ldcsb.ca

Sacred Heart Youth (SHY) – **October 15th - Youth Group Meeting** – Join us from 7-10pm in the Parish Hall for friendship, faith and fun! Come find out what the second talk in our series is! You won't want to miss it! Invite your friends! Everyone high school age and young adults are welcome!



CWL 2017 Fall Regional Days - Gifts of The Holy Spirit - Precious Blood Church in Exeter will be hosting the fall regional for Huron Perth/Ingersoll on **Saturday October 21st** with registration commencing at 8:30. Lunch is \$8.00 per person. Non scented bars will be collected at the door for Soap for Hope Campaign (Canadian Food For Children). IHM ladies please contact Cathy Vrolyk at 519 -238 - 6420 to let her know you will be attending at least 7 days prior to the event.



Immaculate Heart of Mary CWL Members - A reminder to have your Raffle tickets sold and returned to Annie Baltessen or Rita Smits or placed in an envelope with your "Name" and "Raffle Tickets" clearly marked on the outside and placed in the collection basket!

Don't Miss Out!! Order some yummy *Apple and Cherry Pies* today! Homemade *unbaked* CWL pies are \$10.00 each, with all proceeds going to our Bazaar. All orders must be placed before October 20th; contact Cathy Vrolyk 519-238-6420. ***Please note that your freshly-made pies are to be picked up at the rear doors of the IHM Auditorium, 12 - 1pm on Wednesday, October 25th.*



All Ladies of Sacred Heart – are invited to join us on **Thursday, October 12th** at 7pm in the Parish Meeting Room for Spiritual Reflection with coffee/tea and conversation to follow. We will be holding a general CWL Meeting following this. Everyone is invited to stay for the meeting.

Happy Thanksgiving