

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Oct 17

Grand Bend - NO MASS

7:00 pm **Parkhill** – Deceased Members of the Facchina Family:
Lucio & Alice Facchina

- Maria VanderVloet: Chris & Barb Vander Vloet

7:30-8:30 pm Adoration

Wednesday, Oct 18

Parkhill – NO MASS

Thursday, Oct 19

9:30 am **Craigwiel Garden – Ailsa Craig**

Frieda Spruytte: Casey Bax

Gerry Vandersanden: Pete & Julie de Gouw

Friday, Oct 20

9:30 am **Grand Bend** – Sacrament of Reconciliation

10:00 am John Strong: The Strong Family

Ron Garinther: Luke & Jean Mommersteeg

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Oct 21

2:00 pm **Grand Bend – Wedding**

Jason Dimmers & Amy Hendriksen

6:00–6:45pm **Parkhill** - Sacrament of Reconciliation

7:00 pm **Parkhill** - Intention of Our Parishioners

Sunday, Oct 22

9:00 am **Parkhill** - Intention of Our Parishioners

11:00 am **Grand Bend** – Intention of Our Parishioners

*Only in the silence of prayer can you learn to listen
to the voice of God.*

Pope Francis, October 3, 2017

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October 15, 2017

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wedding feasts are celebrations of joy. The one in today's Gospel, however, turns ugly. The guests refuse to attend; they attack the king's slaves. The king retaliates with murder and destruction. But the feast must go ahead. Just when things seem to be improving, the king notices a man without a wedding robe and casts him out into the darkness.

This parable is scary and makes me squirm. I recognize myself in those who ignored the king's invitation and in the man wearing the wrong outfit.

The parable challenges us to critique our friendship with God. God desires our friendship, inviting us time and time again into relationship. We sometimes fail in our response. Like those who rejected the invitation, we get busy with our own agendas; we ignore God. Or, like the man who shows up improperly attired, we have the wrong attitude. We may be smug, indifferent or insincere. We cast ourselves into the darkness when we refuse God's offer of friendship.

The Mass is a transitional time between the present and eternity. It is God's standing invitation to enter more deeply into relationship with God and others. Our presence here expresses our willingness to put on the robe of Christ so that we may stand confidently and joyfully in the light of God's friendship.

Louise McEwan, Trail BC

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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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

After much prayer, the Discernment Team of Jim Jean, Michelle Peters and myself, are pleased to announce the newest members of our Parish Pastoral Council. Below is a complete list of our members and those names marked in bold are our new members.

Jim Jean (Chair)	Michelle Peters (Recording Secretary)
Joe Lima	Julie de Gouw (Pastoral Worker)
Stephen Oud	Dana Schoeley
Will Peters	Monica Thorpe
Frank Vander Vloet	Rose Van Bruaene

We are grateful for all those who were nominated and pray that they will seek other opportunities in our parish to share their leadership abilities.

We had a very successful Ministers Workshop last Saturday morning in Grand Bend. We had close to 40 participants who reviewed their roles as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. A preview of the Lectio Series on Eucharist, which we are using for this year's Bible Study, was presented and many enjoyed the preview and are now interested in signing up for this program which begins **Tuesday, November 7th**. If you missed our Ministers Workshop, please contact our Pastoral Worker, Julie de Gouw for the materials which were handed out. Lectors should pick up their Readers Workbooks in the sacristy.

Any boys or girls in Grade 3 or up who are interested in becoming Altar Servers are welcome to attend a **Training Workshop at 12 pm on Thursday, October 19th** at Sacred Heart Church. Please call the office if your child is unable to attend the workshop on October 19th.



Please join the Vocation Ministry on Priesthood Sunday, October 29th, in praying for our priests, praising God for their courage and their generosity. Also, please take a moment after Mass this weekend, to fill out a **Spiritual Bouquet**, which is an offering of prayer for our Pastor, Father Tony. Let us show Fr. Tony our encouragement and gratitude in thoughts and deeds. God bless our priests! For more information or a Spiritual Bouquet card, contact a member of the Vocations Team, Daphne Carne, Maureen Garinther, Jim De Zorzi, Peter Roelands, Gera Peters, Jim Vandersanden or Julie de Gouw. **A Potluck Lunch for Priesthood Sunday, October 29, will be hosted by Immaculate Heart of Mary, after the 11am Mass. Everyone welcome to attend!**

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.' (Evangelii Gaudium, 164)

World Mission Sunday - **October 22nd** – Next Sunday our parish will celebrate World Mission Sunday. It represents a global sign of the universal Church and Mission. We are invited to reach out and help build the Church in the most remotest areas across our world. Your prayers and donations will support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations to priesthood and religious life. Please show your generosity as much as possible during this collection, because it provides assistance to the young diocese in Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the Pacific Islands.



Pray for Priests and Religious Communities –



Sun Oct 15:	Nancy Asciak, Coordinator Youth Ministry
Mon Oct 16:	Deacon Gerald Clement
Tue Oct 17:	Sister Matijo Filipovic, Pastoral Worker
Wed Oct 18:	Rev. John Juhl, O.F.M., Cap.
Thu Oct 19:	Fr. David Boutette
Fri Oct 20:	Fr. Keith Morrison
Sat Oct 21:	Nick Fournier, Pastoral Worker/Youth Ministry

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! There will be a choice of two sessions to attend. Tuesdays at 2pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary or Tuesdays after the 7pm Mass at Sacred Heart. Start date for both is **November 7th**! Watch a short video about the study at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gGJiigADatY> Details coming soon for registration on our new and improved website! Contact Julie de Gouw at jdegouw@dol.ca for more information.

COR Youth Retreat (Youth in grade 11 & 12 and up to age 21)

Another exciting COR retreat will unfold during the weekend of **Oct. 27, 28 & 29 of 2017**. COR 31 will take place in Dublin, ON. It is a weekend where teens discover more about themselves and respecting others, experience a reconnection with God, meet new friends, and just have a whole lot of fun through games and music. Pick up an application form at St Anne's High School, or by contacting Jim & Carla-Mae Nyenhuis email nyenhuisjc@gmail.com or feel free to call at 519-393-5717. Please submit applications by Oct. 20th for this amazing weekend for youth.



Thanksgiving Food Drive - The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who donated non-perishable food to our Food Drive. We donated a total of 1,131 lbs of food and \$70 to the two food banks.

Office Closed – The office will be closed on **Tuesday, October 17th** and **Wednesday, October 18th**



Our RCIA classes are about to begin! We have one adult and four children who will be preparing for entrance into the Catholic faith. We will have two introductory classes before we join everyone at All Saints Parish. On **Wednesday, October 25th at 7 pm**, we will meet the candidates, share witness stories and introduce prayer and journaling. On **Wednesday, November 1st at 7 pm**, we will explain the Mass. All our parishioners are welcome to join us for any of these introductory classes.

We thank Deacon John Lammers for preaching and celebrating with us this weekend. Please pray for all our deacons and their wives who continue to serve in our diocese.

Fr. Tony

2017 Thanksgiving Appeal – Thank You

We wish to say thank you to all those who have generously contributed toward the Parish Thanksgiving Appeal. This is an important collection as the money raised helps us to prepare for the extra winter expenses. Donations are still being accepted until the end of the year. If you would like to make a contribution and have not already done so, please mark on your donation envelope “Thanksgiving Appeal” to ensure it is directed to the proper fund. The Thanksgiving Appeal contributions stay within the parish and are not included in the Diocesan Assessment.



Notice

Please note that the **last Saturday evening 5pm Mass** of the season in Grand Bend was **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.



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.

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!



Looking For Volunteers to help with **Children's Church**. It is offered every Sunday during the 9:00 Mass and is a great way for the kids in our church to learn the same message that Father talks about in church but in fun ways that they can understand. The material is all provided and all of the supplies needed are there as well...all we need are the adults to help! We are in need of three or more people, which will make your commitment one Sunday a month...please take some time to consider helping out to ensure that this wonderful service can continue. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask Father Tony, Kathy Willemse or Debbie Godts...thank you for taking some time to consider helping out!



IHM - 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!



IHM - Catholic Women's League - 'Did You Know?' - that a membership in the Catholic Women's League (CWL) adds your voice in support of local and national work for social justice issues and ongoing and proposed legislation that pertains to League resolutions. You are invited to be a part of this National Organization. Let your voice be heard! For membership information, *please contact Dianne Tucker at 519-872-5268*.

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.*



Grand Bend parishioners are invited to make donations to the CWL Bazaar; *new, unused* items for the prize table; baked goods; preserves and/or handicrafts will be gratefully accepted in the Fr. Beck Auditorium, by 1pm **Friday, November 3rd**. Please call Rose Van Bruaene 519-238-8396.

COME ONE, COME ALL to the BAZAAR at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, **Saturday, November 4th** from 9:30am - 1:30pm. Bring family and friends for a delicious lunch, fresh local vegetables, Christmas planters, baked goodies and handicrafts. Try your luck at the prize table and the raffle. Sponsored by the Catholic Women's League.

Knights of Columbus will hold their next meeting on **Thursday, October 19th** at 8pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

