

## Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Apr 17

NO MASSES

Wednesday, Apr 18

NO MASS

Thursday, Apr 19

9:00 am **Parkhill** - Emile & Maria Janssens: The Estate

Friday, Apr 20

9:00 am **Grand Bend** – Intentions of Fr. Tony Laforet:  
Mark & Dianne Tucker

### Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Apr 21

6:00–6:45pm **Parkhill** - Sacrament of Reconciliation  
7:00 pm **Parkhill** - Intention of Our Parishioners

Sunday, Apr 22

9:00 am **Parkhill** - Intention of Our Parishioners  
11:00 am **Grand Bend** – Intention of Our Parishioners

*I would like to encourage everyone to see society not as a forum where strangers compete and try to come out on top, but above all as a home or a family, where the door is always open and where everyone feels welcome.*

Pope Francis

**Priestly Ordinations** - The Diocese of London and St. Peter's Seminary announce the ordinations of Rev. Mr. Paul Kim and Rev. Dr. Robert Weaver to the ministerial priesthood. The Sacrament of Holy Orders will be celebrated by Bishop Fabbro on Saturday, **April 28** at 11am at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica, 196 Dufferin Ave., London. All are welcome to attend. We assure Deacon Paul and Deacon Robert of our support and prayers, as they prepare for ordination.

## The Parishes of *SACRED HEART* and *IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY*

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**April 15, 2018**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**

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Imagine being one of the disciples in today's Gospel. You have just heard of Jesus' appearance on the road to Emmaus, which, along with the amazing story of the tomb, has given you a surge of hope. However, the grief and fear you felt during the crucifixion still remain in your heart. You want to believe that he has risen as he said, but a pall of paralyzing uncertainty hangs over everything.

Suddenly, he's in the room, standing right in front of you. Of course, he knows what you are feeling. "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" He asks. "Touch me and see." You do see.

Appearing before the disciples, Jesus gave them precisely what they needed for the next phase of their mission. He reassured and strengthened them by replacing their fear and uncertainty with peace and joy. He made the scriptures intelligible to them so that they'd be able to pass on his wisdom.

Why do fear and doubt arise in our hearts when Jesus calls us to something new? His death was the ultimate proof that his love for us knows no bounds. Just as he prepared the disciples for their mission, so he will prepare us for ours.

Kate Larson, Ottawa, ON

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**c/o 159 Ann Street, Parkhill, Ontario, Canada N0M 2K0.**

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,

Here is another excerpt from Sherry Weddell's book, Forming Intentional Disciples which our Parish Pastoral Council has been exploring.



Father Ed Fride has pastored Christ the King Parish (in Ann Arbor, Michigan) for nineteen years. He says, *Discipleship is absolutely central to the parish.....The spirituality of the parish, in which a personal relationship with Jesus is continually stressed, is key.....We began as, and still are, part of the charismatic renewal, again where a living, active relationship with Jesus is encouraged.....The core thing is that it always has to come back to the Eucharist. Invite people to live with Him, and for Him, anchor people in the Eucharist, and they won't wander off.* This is just one reason our Parish Mission Statement has combined the invitation to discipleship along with the need to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. Just as Jesus Christ gathered his disciples around the Table of the Eucharist, we too, must see ourselves as his disciples who are fed by the Living Eucharist and being sent out into the world to teach and live the Good News.

Father Ed joked, *This parish is a cry room with a tabernacle attached. He made it clear that making disciples of the children is a major priority.....We want our children to know God, that He is real, He wants to be their friend. By the time they receive First Communion, they are literally vibrating at the touch of the Holy Spirit; they are so excited that they can hardly stand still.* Indeed, discipleship begins when we are first introduced to Jesus in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Each time they come to the Eucharist, each time we come to the Eucharist, we are drawn deeper into our relationship with Jesus and recognize the importance of being his disciples who are sent to announce the Good News.

## New at Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart of Mary regarding Baptisms!

### FAITH FORMATION FOR PARENTS!

Parents are invited to attend a meeting that has been designed to help parents and godparents prepare for their child's entrance into the sacramental life of the Church. They will explore the profound effects and mission of the Sacrament of Baptism. These meetings will be held four times a year. Parents are encouraged to attend a meeting before their child is Baptised, either before or after their baby is born. The next meeting will be held **May 31<sup>st</sup>** at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 7pm. Other meeting dates in 2018 are August 30<sup>th</sup> and November 29<sup>th</sup>. For more information please contact Julie at [jdegouw@dol.ca](mailto:jdegouw@dol.ca) or phone 519-294-6844 ext. 24.

**Employment Opportunity** - Holy Family Retreat House, Oxley, is seeking two full time positions, Manager and Administrative Assistant.

Save A Family Plan, London, is seeking a full time Donor Relations Coordinator.

Holy Family Parish, London, is seeking a full time Coordinator of Parish Ministries.

The Chatham Catholic Family of Parishes is seeking a full time Custodial & Maintenance Personnel.

Details are available at [www.dol.ca/employment](http://www.dol.ca/employment).

### **Pray for Priests and Religious Communities –**



Sun Apr 15: Fr. Alan Dufraimont  
Mon Apr 16: Melissa Hoffer, Coordinator Youth Ministry  
Tue Apr 17: Fr. Charles Goakery, C.Ss. R.  
Wed Apr 18: Fr. Pierre Wood, O.F.M. Cap.  
Thu Apr 19: Fr. Donald Pumputis  
Fri Apr 20: Fr. Danny Santos  
Sat Apr 21 Fr. Hoang Nguyen, O.F.M. Cap.

**Centurion Gold Calendar** - The HCC School Parent Council is excited to once again sponsor a major fundraiser to support the students and staff of Holy Cross Catholic Secondary School. The Centurion Gold Calendar, with total prizes of approx. \$12,500 (daily prizes ranging from \$250 to \$750 value) will run during May. Every calendar sold has 35 chances to win! Limited quantities are available, only \$20 each, available until sold out or April 24<sup>th</sup>. Contact Mary Mueller at 519-294-0997 or [m.mueller@bell.net](mailto:m.mueller@bell.net) for more information or to buy a calendar. Calendars also for sale at HCC school office.

**Cluster Parish Mission** of St. Christopher's and Our Lady Help of Christians with Fr. Denis Grecco. Theme: "Where your heart is, there will be your treasure!" **April 15, 16, 17** – Sunday, Monday, Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm at Our Lady Help of Christians, Watford. Everyone is welcomed to come hear this inspiring speaker.

### **10<sup>th</sup> Annual Bishop's Dinner for London and Surrounding Communities**

This event will be held **Wednesday, June 13, 2018**, at the London Convention Centre. Individual tickets are \$125 or \$1000 for a parish table of ten. For tickets contact Mrs. Frances Barnard at 519-432-1824 extension 255 or at [bishopsdinner@dol.ca](mailto:bishopsdinner@dol.ca). Anyone interested in being part of a table of ten, please contact Julie de Gouw at [jdegouw@dol.ca](mailto:jdegouw@dol.ca). See posters at entrance of the church.

**Wedding Anniversary Mass** – **Save The Date** - The Most Reverend Ronald Fabbro, C.S.B., Bishop of London, invites all married couples to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage at the Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, **June 3** at 3pm at Good Shepherd Parish, Tecumseh. More details will follow soon

Once again, we acknowledge our young children who had a life-changing encounter with Christ through the Sacrament of the Eucharist this weekend. **We congratulate Camden MacKichan and Jeremiah Minten, who celebrated their First Communion.** May this encounter with Jesus be the first of many encounters as they continue to grow in faith through the great support of their parents, their family and our parish community. May these children and all of us, not stand still but be moved by the Holy Spirit to share the Body of Christ as disciples of Jesus!

I will be away from the parish this week to attend a conference at the Church of the Nativity in Timonium, Maryland. There, I hope to be inspired to encourage and facilitate a renewal and a greater commitment of the mission of our parishes. I will return on Wednesday evening. Please keep me and my travel companions in your prayers.

Since spring has finally arrived, we soon will be moving our Saturday evening Mass to 5 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary. We will begin our Saturday evening Masses on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to join us!

In the peace and joy of Christ's Resurrection,

Fr. Tony

### **Permanent Diaconate Formation and Study Program** –

The Diocese of London Permanent Diaconate Formation & Study Program will invite inquiries from men considering a call to the permanent diaconate. For more information please visit: <http://www.stpetersseminary.ca/Your-Vocation/Permanent-Diaconate/24>

#### **Inquiry Sessions:**

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 7:30-10:00pm

Holy Angels Parish – 502 Talbot St., St. Thomas

Sunday, May 6, 2018 1:30-4:00pm

St. John Vianney Parish – 385 Dieppe St., Windsor

Wednesday, May 16, 2018 7:30-10:00pm

St. Agnes Parish – 52 Croydon Dr., Chatham

Sunday, May 27, 2018 1:30-4:00pm

St. George Parish – 1164 Commissioners Rd. W., London

**Fundraiser –Reese Thompson** – Community Living South Huron, Dashwood is hosting a fundraiser lunch on **April 17<sup>th</sup>** from 12noon until 1pm. Stop by for a delicious chili and toast lunch for \$5. Funds are continuing to be raised for a wheel chair accessible van for Reese. To date \$15,000 has been raised.

**Edge Youth Ministry** – EDGE Night in April: Come out and join us in April for another evening of EDGE! Open to youth in grades 5-9! Games, food and fun, combined with learning about our faith! Our next meeting is **April 18<sup>th</sup>** from 7:00-8:30pm in the parish hall. For this Easter Season our theme will be “Defeated: An EDGE Night on Jesus’ Passion and Death.” As always, parents are welcome to stay and have a coffee with Father Tony and Julie upstairs. Parents or guardians dropping off your kids, please accompany them down to the hall to sign them in, and come down to pick them up at 8:30 to sign them out! Please contact Karen Minten for more information at [karenminten@rogers.com](mailto:karenminten@rogers.com)

**Strathroy Right to Life Annual Dinner and Silent Auction**  
**April 21<sup>st</sup>** beginning at 6:15pm, All Saints Roman Catholic Church. MP Mr. Bev Shipley will speak about euthanasia, marijuana and funding for summer students. Your questions are welcome. For tickets please contact Andy Roelands or call Debbie at 519-245-2946. Contributions for the Silent Auction can be dropped off at Andy Roelands (Parkhill), Elly Boersema Health Foods (Strathroy), or Trampoline Country (Mt. Brydges).

**“Hush” Documentary Film** - You are invited to view the documentary film, “Hush”. It is informative, educational, and thought-provoking. This film takes an honest, scientific look at the long-term effects of abortions on women’s health; it’s connection to breast cancer, premature future births and psychological problems. **COME OUT AND BE INFORMED!** “Hush” will be shown at St. Boniface Church, Zurich (22 Mary Street) on Thursday, **May 3, 2018** at 7pm. This evening is open to all who wish to attend.

**North Middlesex Canada Day Brunch** - **Sunday April 15, 2018**, 9am - 12noon at Parkhill Community Centre, 225 McLeod St., Parkhill. All you can eat - eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, toast, hash browns, fruit cocktail, maple syrup and drinks. Adults \$10, Children 5-10 \$5 and Under 5 Free. Monies raised pay for your Canada Day fireworks.



**Sacred Heart Youth Group** – **April 15<sup>th</sup>** – Come on out to the parish hall from 7-10pm and join us for a great time building our faith together! And don’t forget to invite your friends and bring a smile! Everyone high school age and older are welcome!

**Community Creative Cooks** – A hands-on exploration in cooking, using healthy, economical, locally produced items as well as items typically found in the Food Bank Hamper. This is free – no cost event. Held Friday, **April 27, 2018**, 10:00am – 3pm at the Parkhill Community Centre Kitchen Facility, 224 McLeod St, Parkhill. The number of participants is limited. To register for this event or more information call the Ailsa Craig and Area Food Bank at 519-293-3637. See poster at the entrance of the church for more details.

**World Day of Prayer For Vocations** will be celebrated in our parishes on Sunday **April 29**. Join the Knights of Columbus to pray the Rosary for Vocations 30 minutes before all Sunday Masses. The Vocations Committee will be distributing a “Prayer for Vocations” prayer card, and a “Rosary for Vocations” brochure. Please accept these gifts to use as you pray for vocations!

Join us after the 11am Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary, **April 29**, for a Pot Luck lunch to celebrate World Day of Prayer for Vocations, and our own Pastor’s Ordination Anniversary! Our parishes have been blessed with wonderful vocations! Let us remember to keep praying not only for additional vocations but to offer support for those who have answered the call thus far! For more information contact Julie at [jdegouw@dol.ca](mailto:jdegouw@dol.ca) or phone 519-294-6844 ext. 24.