

Mass Schedule - Week 2 – July 17 - 22nd

Pope Francis

Tuesday, Jul 17

7:00 pm **Parkhill** –
August VanMassenhoven: Chris & Barb Vander Vloet
August & Adriana Roelands: Rob & Jacinta Roelands & Family

7:30-8:30 pm Adoration with Reconciliation

Wednesday, Jul 18

10:00 am **Grand Bend** – Rosary starts at 9:30am
D’Arcy Molloy: The Family
In Thanksgiving for 35 yrs of Marriage: Paul & Jane Hartman
Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual help follows Mass

Thursday, Jul 19

9:00 am **Parkhill** -
Joe & Martina Glavin: Alice Jebrail
Emile & Maria Janssens: The Estate

9:30-10:30 am Adoration with Reconciliation

Friday, Jul 20

6:30 pm **Grand Bend** –
In Thanksgiving for 50 yrs of Marriage: John & Gera Peters
Deceased Members of the Willemse & Peters Families:
John & Gera Peters

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Jul 21

4-4:45pm **Grand Bend** – Sacrament of Reconciliation

5:00 pm **Grand Bend** - Intention of Our Parishioners

Sunday, Jul 22

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

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

*The message of Jesus is mercy. For me, and I say this
with humility, it is the Lord’s strongest message.*

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July 08, 2018	14th Sunday of Ordinary Time
July 15, 2018	15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

In serving the Lord, we may find that we are rejected by those closest to us. We may suffer hardships for simply trying to do what is right. Jesus encourages us in these moments. He reminds us that our suffering is not meaningless. In experiencing hurt and isolation we also come to realize our own limitations, our weaknesses and our need for God's help. This is the beginning of true maturity in faith.

Like an attentive gardener, God prunes us of the need to seek the approval of others – he rids us of our pride. When we no longer are dependent on the approval of others we become freer to seek God's approval. When God's approval is what our heart seeks, we begin to see the world more for what it is, and to have an accurate understanding of our role in it.

Dependency on the approval of others is a form of pride, which distorts reality, making us less resilient. To suffer for Christ also means to be healed from our pride. We must remember that in our sufferings we remain in good company. Many of the saints suffered slander and persecution by those closest to them. Intimacy with the Lord means we will share in his suffering; but we will also share in greater freedom and ultimately – joy.

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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,



Last Wednesday, the Catholic Women's League of Sacred Heart Parish hosted an evening with Alex Schadenberg, the Executive Director & International Chair of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition. Alex was greeted by an audience of 32 parishioners from the local Catholic parishes as he presented the Coalition's latest video called, Fatal Flaws: Legalizing Assisted Death. It was a sobering film which revealed the true realities about euthanasia.

We were surprised to learn that assisted death laws are designed to protect the doctors who participate, not the person who requests it. In many cases, no other options, including medical care, are offered as alternate solutions.

The person who requests assisted death may be experiencing feelings of hopelessness, depression or be a victim of elder abuse. And so we must ask ourselves how our legal and healthcare system is responding when societies' most vulnerable are crying out for help? This shocking film challenged us to think critically about our individual and social responses to vulnerability and suffering.

Therefore, we must truly recognize and understand the value of suffering. While the world of medicine attempts to relieve suffering and the media tries to sell us on a life without pain, only the Church offers the perspective that suffering has meaning. St. John Paul II said that suffering without meaning can lead to despair, but if we can attach meaning to our suffering, we are capable of going through anything.

Finally, every first Thursday of the month, we celebrate the Eucharist (Mass) at Craigwiel Gardens in Ailsa Craig. Last Thursday, I met Jean Vermont and Ike Schiestel who were participating in their Adult Day

Mass Schedule – Week 1 – July 10 - 15th

Tuesday, Jul 10

7:00 pm **Parkhill** –
In Memory of Gerry Vandensanden: Jeff Kustermans
Emile Masschelein: Joe & Diane Masschelein

7:30-8:30 pm Adoration with Reconciliation

Wednesday, Jul 11

10:00 am **Grand Bend** – Rosary starts at 9:30am
Rosemary Slater: IHM CWL
Charlie Srokosz: John & Gera Peters
Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual help follows Mass

Thursday, Jul 12

9:30 am **Chartwell Gardens – Parkhill**
Fred Fursman: Rosemary Hartwick
Pacita Weston: Margarida Pontes

Friday, Jul 13

9:30 am **Grand Bend** – Reconciliation
10:00 am Melvin Orr: Rob Mackie
Barry Strong: The Strong Family

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Jul 14

4-4:45pm **Grand Bend** – Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:00 pm **Grand Bend** - Intention of Our Parishioners

Sunday, Jul 15

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

*Every family, despite its weaknesses, can become a
light in the darkness of the world.*

Pope Francis



Pray for Priests and Religious Communities –

Sun Jul 08: Dorothy DeBakker, Coordinator Youth Ministry
 Mon Jul 09: Deacon Gerard Charette
 Tue Jul 10: Rev. Pio Beorchia
 Wed Jul 11: Fr. Michael Brand, C.S.B.
 Thu Jul 12: Deacon John Lammers
 Fri Jul 13: Sr. Teresa Morrison, Pastoral Minister
 Sat Jul 14: Veronica Costa, Coordinator Youth Ministry

Sun Jul 15: Christopher Laforet Coordinator Youth Ministry
 Mon Jul 16: Fr. Peter Amszej
 Tue Jul 17: Fr. Graham Keep
 Wed Jul 18: Deacon Marcel DeClerk
 Thu Jul 19: Patricia Hickey, Pastoral Minister
 Fri Jul 20: Fr. Antoine (Tony) Laforet
 Sat Jul 21: Fr. Andrew Sipek

Parish Celebration/Social - We are truly blessed to have Father Tony as our Pastor and wish him a Happy Birthday July 20th! The Vocations Ministry of Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart of Mary, invite you to join us for a celebration on **Sunday July 29th**, after the 11am Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish hall, for cake and refreshments. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Celebrate the Klondyke Marsh! - In 1947, Gerard VandenBussche bought 1200 acres of marshland south of Grand Bend, from the Canada Company. Over the next several years he had the bog cleared and drained, then started to sell parcels of land to families from the Netherlands and Belgium, eager to begin farming in their adopted country of Canada. On Sunday, **July 22, 2018**, 2-4pm, at the Alhambra Hall on Klondyke Road, south of Grand Bend, the descendants of those first farming families will honour their history with the unveiling of a commemorative plaque and book. The book will be available for \$10 per copy while supplies last. Join us, as we celebrate the families of the Klondyke!

Program. It's a great place to socialize with others seniors and stay cool during these warm summer days. They even have Occasional Day Trips for summer picnics, ice cream drives, Huron County Playhouse, Lunch Club and much more. For more information, please call Craigwiel Gardens at 519-293-3215 ext: 226 or scampbell@craigwielgardens.on.ca

May we all be moved by the power of the Holy Spirit!

Fr. Tony



Holy Land Wood Art – The main income for the Christian community of Bethlehem - The Birth Place of Jesus - is selling their handcrafted olive wood religious items to the pilgrims who visit the area. The past few years have been extremely hard for the community as a result of declining tourism. Some Christians responded by fleeing The Holy Land, and the absence of a living Christian community is very dangerous for the Holy sites such as the Church of The Nativity. On **July 14th & 15th**, we will be having some of their beautiful art held for sale in an effort to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

This year the Knights of Columbus invite you to join us for a **Family Brunch** after the 11am Mass on **Sunday, July 15th** at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Grand Bend. All the food will be prepared by the Knights and we know that you will enjoy it. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids ages 6 - 13. Kids under 6 eat free. The proceeds of this event will go to our charity work. Tickets will be available at Immaculate Heart of Mary and Sacred Heart Churches after Mass for two weeks prior to the event. Please support this effort.



Office Update - Please be aware that the office will be closed from **July 10-13th**, reopening on July 17th.



Bulletin News Items – Please keep in mind that during the summer months the bulletins are only printed every other weekend. Remember to plan ahead and get any announcements in early. The next 2 week bulletin will be **July 22nd**.

50th Wedding Anniversary – The children of John & Gera Peters invite you to celebrate our parents 50th Wedding Anniversary. It is on **July 20, 2018** starting with Mass at 6:30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, followed by a reception in the parish hall. All are welcome to attend. No gifts please, donations will be accepted on behalf of Fr. Francis Thekkumkattil, C.S.T. and Fr. Tom Donohue's charities.

Pornography Hurts Campaign – has been rescheduled to the **August 18/19th** weekend.

CWL Annual Summer Retreat – at Our Lady of the Shrine, St. Patrick's in Merlin, ON. The day starts with the Rosary at 10am followed by Mass at 11am on Wednesday, **July 18th**. There will be free time at noon for you to eat. Stations of the Cross start at 1:30pm with closing remarks at 2:30pm. Bring your lawn chair, lunch and refreshments. (coffee and tea provided by St. Patrick's CWL).

Retrouvaille Weekend - Is your marriage going down the right road, or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy, and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. The next Retrouvaille weekend program will be held August 24-26. Please contact Greg & Anita at 519-243-0687 or retrouvaillelondonstthomas@gmail.com, or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com for more details.



7Up* Survivor Challenge - Join us for Mass @ 9:00am on **July 15th 2018** at Sacred Heart Parish in Parkhill. Following Mass, we will have a PIZZA LUNCH. Pizza is \$2/slice, please bring a small dessert to share. After lunch we will have our SURVIVOR CHALLENGE! All *Grades 7 and UP are welcome to come! Invite your friends and be prepared to have a blast! For more info contact Veronica Roelands @ (519) 294-0663 or veronica.roelands_4@hotmail.ca

Last Sunday, July 1st we had our **St. Elmo Canoe Trip**. We had a little under 40 people join in the fun! We started with a BBQ lunch and had a talk about St. Elmo's life story. We then made our way over to the Parkhill Reservoir, and played a variety of games including a canoe and kayak race! We also had a Scavenger Hunt that took everyone through most of the Reservoir! It was a hot day but nothing a little swim couldn't fix! We all had a blast!

Cat Chat VBS – Vacation Bible School returns with our Cat Chat theme “Radical Ride on the Wings of Prayer, with Amazing Angels and Super Saints”. Our 100% Catholic VBS, empowers today's kids with rock solid Catholic doctrine and provides an enjoyable way for youth to learn more about their faith! The VBS will run mornings of the week of **August 6-10th**. Visit our parish website www.shihm.dol.ca for registration forms and more information. Registrations close July 13th. Cost is just \$20 per child! In order to host such an energetic week, many volunteers are needed to make the program run smoothly. If you would like to participate as a leader, either youth or adult, or be part of the support team (including Mom's, Dad's, Grandma's and Grandpa's) contact Karen Minten (karenminten@rogers.com) or Frances Diggins (fldiggins@gmail.com)



Annual **Christmas in July**, hosted by the Sacred Heart CWL, is being held Wednesday, **July 25th** at the Parkhill Community Centre. Full Christmas Dinner to be served. All single and widowed ladies are invited to join us! Doors open at 11:30am, with lunch being served at **Noon**.



Donation of a non-perishable food item is greatly welcomed. If possible (but not mandatory) please RSVP to help us with numbers coming to; Tammy Vandersanden – tvandersanden@execulink.com