

Mass Schedule - Week 2 & 3 – Sep 11th - Sep 23rd

NO Weekday Masses – September 11 – 14, 2018

Fr. Tony is away.

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Sep 15

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

Sunday, Sep 16

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

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

NO Masses – September 18 – 20, 2018

Fr. Tony is away.

Friday, Sep 21

9:15 am **Parkhill – Mass celebrated with the School**

Nathaniel McLellan: The Family

Hanlon & Helen McDonald: The Family

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Sep 23

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

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

Sunday, Sep 23

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

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

Christian unity is a priority, because we realize that much more unites us than separates us.

Pope Francis

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September 2, 2018

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 9, 2018

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

September 16, 2018

24th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jesus said, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand.” What I hear Jesus saying here, is: listen with all your mind and with all your heart.

Being in the pew on Sunday does not mean we have listened or understood the scripture readings of the day. To help us focus and to help us to internalize the Word of God that we hear on Sunday, we may need to invest a bit more time and preparation throughout the preceding week.

For example, on Wednesday we can pray for openness of heart, to be able to receive the Good News more generously: “Come Holy Spirit, help me to listen and understand.” Then, over the next few days, we can read and re-read the coming Sunday’s readings so that they become more and more familiar in our mind and have an opportunity to touch our heart. For additional help, we can invest in a scripture commentary or read one online.

Our exercise of internalizing the Word of God will require some patience, persistence and being reflective. But if we are willing to invest more of ourselves by spending more time on the Word of God, we may find that it starts to change how we think, how we see the world around us, how we act and, generally, how we live – becoming the very person God wishes us to be.

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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,

Can you believe September is here all ready?

It's back to school this week for our young ones. Although it was a very warm summer, it was a great summer of activity which was highlighted with our Vacation Bible School at Sacred Heart Parish. It was another awesome and powerful week of teaching our young people about the Catholic faith. Thank you to Frances Diggins and Karen Minten for their efforts in organizing this year's Vacation Bible School, to all our volunteers, 31 adults and 27 youth leaders, who accompanied our young people and all our 80 participants. Thanks for the radical ride!



After those five fabulous days of energy and excitement, I needed five fabulous days for a vacation; camping in Algonquin Park. We had beautiful weather there which allowed me to bike and enjoy God's beautiful creation. I even had a chance to observe a black bear from a safe and good 100 yards.

Having successfully completed our four year Why Catholic? Program, we are now ready to embark upon a new program this fall which will encourage us and give us the tools to fulfill our call to evangelize to all people. **We are pleased to invite all parishioners to Alpha!** Alpha is an opportunity to create a welcoming, friendly place where people can come and ask questions to explore our Catholic faith. **It is a 10 week program which will begin Wednesday, October 3rd & conclude on December 19th.** Deacon Tom MacLeod from Holy Family Parish in London will lead us in this program. Each evening will begin at 6pm at Sacred Heart Parish Hall with a home cooked meal followed by a short video and some lively discussions which should end each evening at

Mass Schedule – Week 1 – Sep 4th – 9th

Tuesday, Sep 4

11:00 am **Parkhill – Funeral Mass** – Irene Masschelein

Wednesday, Sep 5

10:00 am **Grand Bend** – Rosary starts at 9:30am
Intention of John & Gera Peters - 50th Wedding Anniversary:
Mark & Dianne Tucker
Bert Boersen: IHM CWL
Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual help follows Mass

Thursday, Sep 6

9:30 am **Chartwell Residence - Parkhill**
Adrianna Roelands: Chris & Barb VanderVloet
Jerome Spruytte: Andy & Marianne Roelands

Friday, Sep 7 – **NO MASS – Fr. Tony is away.**

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Sep 8

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

Sunday, Sep 9

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

Refugees are not numbers, they are people who have faces, names, stories, and need to be treated as such.

Pope Francis



Pray for Priests and Religious Communities –

- Sun Sep 02: Deacon Arthur Bondy
Mon Sep 03: Most Rev. Eugene LaRocque
Tue Sep 04: Fr. Mohanathas Kamalathanan, C.R.
Wed Sep 05: Fr. Maurice Restivo, C.S.B.
Thu Sep 06: Fr. James Conlon
Fri Sep 07: Michael McPherson Coordinator Youth Ministry
Sat Sep 08: Catholic Elementary School Teachers
- Sun Sep 09: Fr. Vincent vanZutphen
Mon Sep 10: Fr. Denis Grecco
Tue Sep 11: Fr. John Jasica
Wed Sep 12: Deacon Frank Chowhan
Thu Sep 13: Parish Business Managers Diocese of London
Fri Sep 14: Fr. Robert Remark
Sat Sep 15: Lisa Mullins, Pastoral Minister
- Sun Sep 16: Fr. Daniel Vere
Mon Sep 17: Fr. Michael Michon
Tue Sep 18: Deacon Henry Kling
Wed Sep 19: Fr. Wayclaw Chudy, C.S.M.A.
Thu Sep 20: Fr. Joseph Yonghwan Son
Fri Sep 21: Fr. Zbigniew Sawicki
Sat Sep 22: Cyril Bagin, Pastoral Minister

Grand Bend Dinners - meet at St. John's by The Lake Anglican Church at 12:00 noon on **September 13th** and again on **September 27th**. We will be having entertainment by Wally and Linda DeWolfe on September 13th. On September 27th we will be hearing from the Cove Choralaires. For registration for any of the dining dates, please contact 1-877-502-8277 before the events. All newcomers are welcome.

8:30pm. Please note that if there are many from Immaculate Heart of Mary who register for Alpha, we could certainly hold some of these evenings in Grand Bend.

You will find registration forms at the entrance of either church or you may register online through our parish website. Please contact me by email (tlafort@dol.ca) if you have any questions regarding this program or visit the Alpha Canada website. Our Alpha Leaders will be meeting at 6pm on **Wednesday, September 26th** for dinner and a training workshop at Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

It's a miracle! It is finally here – Pre-Authorized Remittance! Parishioners who have already signed up and those who wish to join them may have your weekly donation to your parish automatically withdrawn from your bank account. No more forgetting your envelopes or cheques. Let us worry about the paperwork....

I will be away from the parishes for two weeks in September while I lead a Pilgrimage to Italy with Joan Bolt. In fact, we are closing the parish office from **September 7th to the 19th** because Karen and Julie, (37 pilgrims in all) will be joining me as well. Please pray for us during this pilgrimage as we travel to Venice, Florence, Assisi and Rome.

A Bible Study, led by Martin Roelands, will be running at St. Patrick's Parish in Lucan this fall on Thursday evenings at 7pm. Please contact the parish office at St. Patrick's for more information. We have been in contact with Martin to see if there is a possibility of a running a bible study in Parkhill this year. Please stay tuned for further details.

The season of fall brings a new round of sacraments. We are quite busy with baptisms already. Parents with Grade 2 children, who will be preparing for First Reconciliation, are invited to attend a Parent Meeting at 7pm on **Thursday, September 27th** in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall. Parents with children in Grade 7 & 8 will be invited to attend a meeting in October with their son & daughters to prepare for Confirmation.

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

Fr. Tony

Sacred Heart Youth Group



September 2nd – Youth Night – Join us in the Parish Hall from 7-10pm 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! After the meeting we will be having a bonfire at the Vander Vloets. Please bring a snack to share! For directions or more info contact Mary-Beth Vander Vloet at betty_v_vloet@hotmail.com or 519-294-6468.

September 22nd – 23rd – 30hr Fall Famine – Come join us Saturday, September 22nd to Sunday, September 23rd in the Sacred Heart Church Parish Hall for more faith, friendship, fun and fffoo....Koolaid! Sorry no Food! Just like in past years we will be starting at 12 noon on Saturday and ending with a potluck dinner at 6pm on Sunday! Don't forget to invite all your family to join us for the potluck and remind them to bring FOOD! (Because you're going to want it, trust me!) Parents and family are asked to join us at 5:30pm in the Parish Hall for a potluck dinner.

What to bring: pillow, sleeping bag, sleeping mat, toothbrush, deodorant, water bottle, Bible, deodorant, change of clothes for Mass, clothes for the weather and deodorant! If you can play an instrument you'll definitely want to bring that along!!

What NOT to bring: IPOD, cell phones, extra "stuff", drugs, alcohol, food ☺

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!!!

To get a permission form please contact Veronica Roelands @ veronica.roelands_4@hotmail.ca and she will send along a pledge form and permission form! There is a prize for the person who pledges the most money! This year we will be donating to the Sacred Heart Parish Benevolent Fund, in support of needy families within the Parish.



Are you in your 20s or 30s? Are you a student or working, married or single, with or without children? If so, i.d.9:16 might be just what you are looking for. It is a wonderful way to meet other young adults in the same stage of life. Come September, we will be beginning a new initiative in the diocese called i.d.9:16 through Renewal Ministries in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The monthly gatherings which are called "Disciples' Nights" are intended to help young adults in their 20s and 30s grow in their faith and be active members in their respective parishes. The "Disciples' Nights" will be held on the first Thursday of each month starting **September 6**, at St. Michael's Parish, 511 Cheapside St, London. Each evening will begin with Mass at 6:15 (Patrick Beneteau, Vocations Director for our diocese will preside) followed by the sharing of a meal and drinks at 7:00, and a live streamed talk and small group discussions at 8:00. The evening will go until 9:30. Check us out on Facebook at i.d.9:16 London. Nursing babies are most welcome! The cost of dinner and talk is \$10 with an RSVP, \$12 without an RSVP, \$5 if coming for talk only. Please RSVP no later than Sunday, September 2nd via Facebook event or email (id916london@gmail.com). If you do not RSVP by Sunday, September 2, you will not be on the RSVP list. There will also be alcoholic beverages sold for \$2 each.

Our September Disciples' Night will feature a talk by **Fr. Burke Masters** who is the chaplain for the Chicago Cubs professional baseball team and the Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Joliet. A former D1 baseball star, Fr. Burke has been around tremendous talent and accomplishment, but something was missing until he met the Lord. His story of coming to faith and discerning his vocation will inspire us and practically help us examine our own goals and priorities as we try to grow as disciples.

St. André Healing Garden Sign – Sunday, **September 9th** – Order of Alhambra sign dedication will take place. The dedication of the St. André Healing Garden sign at St. Peter’s Church in St. Joseph, Ontario, will be held starting at 10:30am with the Rosary in the Rosary Garden, mass at 11:00am and the dedication following mass. There will be a light lunch after the dedication.

Wheelchair Collection – On the weekend of September 8th & 9th the men of the Knights of Columbus will be at the entrance of the Church after Mass to accept your donation for their Wheelchair Collection for the 3rd World. If everyone gave a Toonie then we would reach our goal. Please give generously.



Knights of Columbus – The next meeting of Council 8961 of the Knights of Columbus will be held on Thursday, **September 20th** at 8pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Financial Update

<u>Immaculate Heart of Mary</u>	<u>July 2018</u>	<u>Sacred Heart</u>
\$55,715.83	Deposits YTD	\$87,156.53
<u>63,232.86</u>	Expenses YTD	<u>70,781.09</u>
(7,517.03)	Surplus/(Deficit)	16,375.44
3,768.45	Net Change this Month	9,883.04

Thank you for your generous support of our two parish communities!

Young Adults September Retreat:
"Further Up & Further In"

Attention students and young adults 18 to 30 years old. Looking for a fall retreat to begin the school year? Consider joining Fr. Patrick Beneteau at the I.D. 9:16 Summit at the DeSales Center in Brooklyn, Michigan, from **September 7-9**. Car pooling is available. Leading the retreat will be Fr. David Pivonka, T.O.R. and Fr. James Brent, O.P. If interested or for more information please contact Fr. Patrick at vocations@dol.ca or 519-324-7531. For more info regarding I.D. 9:16 please visit www.id916.com and for a video invitation to the summit see the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qwteKu2rAAE>.

Life Chain - Sunday, September 30th – located with the **London Area Right to Life** from 2:00-3:00pm. Join this cross country witness to LIFE as we hold pro-life signs and silently pray for LIFE – in solidarity with the voiceless little ones in our city who die each day by abortion. You are welcome to bring a chair. Please arrive by 1:45pm at the NE Corner of Fanshawe Park Rd. & Richmond (meet in parking lot to pick up signs). Questions call 519-659-3334.

40 Days for Life is a worldwide, cross-denominational, faith based effort to bring and end to abortion and the Fall Campaign starts Wednesday, September 26th and continues until Saturday, November 3rd. Our London campaign includes a peaceful and prayerful vigil on the corner of Commissioners Rd and Wellington Rd. Please plan now to join us for a one hour shift Monday-Friday 12:00pm-7:00pm or Saturdays 7:00am – 7:00pm. **Our Day is October 1st**. For more information or to sign up, see the poster on the bulletin board at the entrance of the church or contact:

Tammy Vandensanden at 519-870-0911 or
Anne Roelands at 519-701-6282

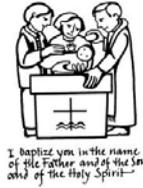
Loving and forgiving as God loves and forgives. This is a program of life that can know no interruptions or exceptions.

Pope Francis

Immaculate Heart of Mary CWL - All members are invited to the general meeting on Wednesday **September 5th** at 12(noon) for a potluck lunch in the Fr Beck Auditorium. Lunch Group "A" is in charge. The items for Canadian Food for Children are rulers and erasers.



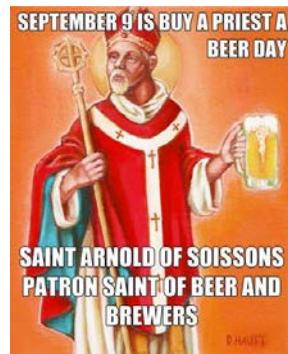
Welcome to Our Parish Family – Congratulations to Layla Gopaul and Corina Hodgins, celebrating entrance into the church through the waters of Baptism during the month of August.



Food Bank Donations – As Thanksgiving is quickly approaching, please consider making a donation to the local area Food Bank at this time of year to help those less fortunate. Donations can be placed in the box at the entrance of the church.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will resume on **Monday, September 17th** at **1:30** at **Huron Shores United Church** on the corner of Main St. and Queens Ave. in Grand Bend. If you like to knit or crochet, you are welcome to come and join a group of individuals whose shawls and bears are bringing comfort to others. If you have any questions, you may contact:

Joan Brewer- 519-238-5567 or Maureen Garinther- 519-238-2759



September 9th

International Buy Your Priest a Beer Day

ARE YOU READY?!?! I know Father Tony is!!! If beer is not your beverage of choice, then buy him something else, bake him cookies, or take him to dinner. As Father Tony will be in Italy September 9, rain checks are good too!

Office Closed – The office will close on **Tuesday, Sep 4th** and again from **Sep 6th – Sep 19th**. It will **re-open at 9am on Thursday, Sep 20th**. Please be aware that Fr. Tony will be away during the Sep 6th – Sep 19th timeframe as well. If there is a need for the assistance of a priest please contact one of the surrounding parishes.



Bulletin News Items – Please note that we will once again resume weekly bulletins on September 23rd. Kindly send any bulletin notices in by September 19th.

Save the Date! A Cursillo is an encounter with oneself, with Christ and with others. The presentations are designed to help the participants to better know themselves, to know Jesus more deeply and finally to suggest ways to take what is learned back to one's environments. The London Area Cursillo Movement follows Catholic Church teachings and practices of the faith. Be sure to book time to attend! Men's Cursillo **March 21 to 24th**. Women's Cursillo **March 28 to 30th**. Talk to Danielle Lima for more info.

EDGE is back!! - EDGE is starting back up and we are excited for a brand new season! EDGE is a fantastic ministry for youth in grades 5 thru 8. We encourage all youth to come out and see what we are all about! We will kick off the new season with a fun social night with the theme: "Always Burning" a brief introduction to the Holy Spirit! Come and join us on **October 1st** at 7pm in the parish hall. We have a great season planned and are looking forward to seeing everyone back, along with some new faces in the group! For information please contact Danielle Lima at daniellelima77@gmail.com.