

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Sep 25

7:00 pm **Parkhill** – Robert Blenkinsop: SH CWL
Andy & Marianne Roelands: Charlotte Rock-Young

7:30-8:30 pm Adoration with Reconciliation

Wednesday, Sep 26

10:00 am **Grand Bend** – Rosary starts at 9:30am
Barry Strong: Doug & Jeanette Pedlar
Melvin Orr: Randy Fuerth
Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual help follows Mass

Thursday, Sep 27

9:00 am **Parkhill** – Adriana Roelands: Joe & Liz Martens
Emile & Maria Janssens: The Estate
Adoration with Reconciliation

9:30-10:30am

Friday, Sep 28

9:30 am **Grand Bend** – Sacrament of Reconciliation
10:00 am Ruth Kelly: Maureen Garinther
All Priests: The Vocations Team

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Sep 29

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

Sunday, Sep 30

9:00 am **Parkhill** - Intention of Our Parishioners
10:00 am **Parkhill** - **Rosary** – Led by Knights of Columbus
10:20 am **Grand Bend** – **Rosary** – Led by Knights of Columbus
11:00 am **Grand Bend** - Intention of Our Parishioners

God is not known through grand ideas and extensive study, but rather through the littleness of a humble and trusting heart.

Pope Francis

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September 23, 2018

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Christianity is often castigated for teaching that God is an angry God whose wrath at human sin required a perfect human sacrifice to appease his bad temper. And we can even admit that some Christians do misrepresent the gospel in this way. But today's readings tell a very different story.

It is not God who demands the death of the innocent, but us. The reading from Wisdom lays bare the human response to innocence. It makes us uncomfortable. And so, when God comes to us as an innocent man, we cannot bear his presence and we crucify him.

In the letter of James, and in today's Gospel, we see the human dynamics that underlie our propensity to sacrifice the innocent. But we also see Christ's answer to those dynamics. If we are not to be people who sacrifice the innocent, we must be, as James says "peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy," or, as Jesus says, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."

The sacrifice we offer at Mass today, then, is not an innocent victim presented to an angry God, but a loving victim who offered himself to God precisely by offering himself to us, even as we "condemned him to a shameful death."

Brett Salkeld, Regina, SK

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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,

We're back after our two week pilgrimage to Italy!

It was an amazing trip with several inspiring moments such as a Papal Blessing from Pope Francis and celebrating the Eucharist at St. Peter's Basilica. We hope to soon gather our photos and organize an evening to share them and our experiences with everyone in our community.

In this week's bulletin, you should find the third installation of the diocese's five part series on the Family of Parishes. Please read it as we reflect on our duty to be missionary disciples. Let us strive to fulfill our mission to preach and live the Good News.

We have successfully completed our four year Why Catholic? Program and now we are 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 6 pm 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 8:30 pm. 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 (tlaforet@dol.ca) if you have any questions regarding this



Fall Free Store - The Huron Shores United Church's fall free store is back!! Fri., **Oct 12** – 6:00-8:30 p.m. Sat., **Oct 13** - 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to come, browse and take away what you can use free of charge. Wide selection of fall & winter clothing for the entire family, small household items & more! See poster at church entrance.

Capuchin Franciscan Friars Discernment Day - From Fr. Louis Mousseau: On Saturday, **October 13th**, the Capuchin Franciscan Friars invite young men ages 18 - 40 to join them in discerning a religious and priestly vocation at St. Crispin Friarey, 127 Friars Way, London. We will begin with prayer at 9am and will finish by 4pm. We will share our life as religious men following the spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi, Padre Pio, and Blessed Solanus Casey. If you are interested in joining us please contact me at 1-226-881-0065 or friarlouiscap@yahoo.ca.

Refugee Sponsorship Committee - We are pleased to announce that we will be sponsoring a refugee family sometime in the next several months. This outreach ministry will be done in in partnership with All Saints Parish, Strathroy, St. Charles Garnier Parish, Glencoe, Sacred Heart Parish, Delaware and Sacred Heart Parish, Parkhill. We will be forming a Sponsorship Committee which will consist of two members from each parish, a total of eight people. This is a very specific ministry that is in need of someone who is committed and dedicated to the cause. Please prayerfully consider being a member of this committee! Please speak to Fr. Tony.

Pray for Priests and Religious Communities –



Sun Sep 23: Fr. Daniel Morand
Mon Sep 24: Deacon Brian Hanley
Tue Sep 25: Deacon David Callaghan
Wed Sep 26: Fr. Paul Duplessie, O.F.M. Cap.
Thu Sep 27: Fr. Kenneth McKernan, C.S.B.
Fri Sep 28: Fr. Christopher Pietraszko
Sat Sep 29: Fr. Vince Gulikers

Sacred Heart - Youth Night - September 30th - Join us in the Parish Hall from 7-10pm for a crazy fun time! Be prepared to enjoy a night filled with faith, friendship and fun! Invite your friends!! Everyone high school age and older are welcome!



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 or email Danielle Lima for more info at daniellelima77@gmail.com

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.

Declaration of Nullity - Are you or someone you know divorced or divorced and remarried? Are you hoping to get remarried in the Church or have your new union blessed? Or are you simply looking for some closure? Consider applying for a Declaration of Nullity ("annulment") from the Diocese of London Marriage Tribunal. The process is free of charge. We are here to help. If you want to start the process or if you just have some questions about obtaining a Declaration of Nullity feel free to call us at 519-439-1553 or toll free at 1-866-603-4317.

program or visit the Alpha Canada website. Our Alpha Leaders will be meeting at 6 pm on **Wednesday, September 26th** for dinner and a training workshop at Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

The season of Fall brings a new round of sacraments. We are quite busy with baptisms already and parents with Grade 2 children are invited to attend a Parent Meeting regarding Reconciliation at 7 pm on **Thursday, September 27th** in the Sacred Heart Parish Hall.

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

Fr. Tony



Thanksgiving Appeal 2018 - In the weeks ahead, you will be hearing about our parish's annual Thanksgiving Appeal. We thank all who have been able to make a donation in the past. Once again, this autumn we ask you to reflect on how you might be able to contribute financially, and give as generously as you are able.

Parish Nursing & Health Care Workers - The Institute for Ongoing Formation at St. Peter's Seminary has partnered with Dayton University to offer online education programs. All nurses and other health-care workers are invited to enroll for their own personal and/or professional development. "The Parish Nurse as Counsellor and Spiritual Companion" addresses topics such as pastoral care, holistic health, mental health, and grief, loss and suffering. Many other online courses are also offered. Register by October 17th. Course dates: October 21st – November. 24th. For more information, visit: www.stpetersseminary.ca/Programs/Parish-Nursing/21 under the "Online Studies" heading on the Parish Nursing page.



Immaculate Heart of Mary CWL - All members are invited to the general meeting on Wednesday **October 3rd** at 1:00pm. Lunch Group "B" is in charge. The item for the Canadian Food for Children is rubbing alcohol.

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.



Come and See Weekend at St. Peter's Seminary

- St. Peter's Seminary invites you to a discernment retreat for men 17-45 years old considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a first-hand experience of the life of a seminarian, spiritual helps for discernment, and an opportunity to meet current seminarians and faculty. Dates: **October 26-28th**. For more information or to register, contact Fr. Patrick Bénéteau at vocations@dol.ca or 519-432-1824 ext. 204.

Jeremiah Day Soccer Challenge

- The story of the prophet Jeremiah tells us that it is never too early to think about God's plan for us. The Jeremiah Day Soccer Challenge, on Saturday, **October 13th** from 10am – 3pm, is a day for young men in grades 8 - 12 to grow closer to God and to visit St. Peter's Seminary. Activities include a tour of the seminary, Mass of Ministries, lunch, soccer tips from Bishop Dabrowski, and a soccer game with our seminarians in the afternoon. Please register by contacting Fr. Patrick Beneteau at vocations@dol.ca or 519-432-1824 ext. 204.



Rosary for Vocations – The Knights of Columbus will be leading the Rosary for Vocations on the last Sunday of each month from September thru June at each parish. The first date is **September 30th**, beginning after the 9:00am Mass at Sacred Heart and at 10:40am before Mass at Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Life Chains - 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.

A second Life Chain will be held with the **Strathroy & District Right to Life**, along Caradoc St. S., between Front St. and Carroll St E. in Strathroy from 1:00-2:00pm. Please arrive by 12:45pm. Questions call Debbie 519-245-2946.



40 Days for Life is a worldwide, cross-denominational, faith based effort to bring an 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 Vandersanden at 519-870-0911 or
Anne Roelands at 519-701-6282

Grand Bend Diners - meet at St. John's by The Lake Anglican Church at 12:00 noon on **September 27th**. We will be hearing from the Cove Choralaires. For registration, please contact 1-877-502-8277 before the event. All newcomers are welcome.

Feast of Our Lady of Fatima – **October 10 – 14th**
All Saints Parish in Strathroy is holding special activities all week to celebrate. Activities vary from celebrating Mass to a dinner. There will be a silent auction as well as raffle tickets available. For further details please check the flyer posted on the bulletin board located at the entrance to the church.

