

## Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Oct 30

7:00 pm **Parkhill** – Nathaniel McLellan: The Family  
Hanlon & Helen McDonald: Angela Johnson

7:30-8:30 pm Adoration with Reconciliation

Wednesday, Oct 31

10:00 am **Grand Bend** – Rosary starts at 9:30am  
Melvin Orr: Eileen Corrigan  
Souls in Purgatory: Maureen Arriola  
Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual help follows

Thursday, Nov 01

### All Saints

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

9:30-10:30 am Adoration with Reconciliation

Friday, Nov 02

### All Souls' Day

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

10:00 am **Grand Bend** – Dick Moons: Andy & Cathy Vrolyk  
Blanche O'Brien: The Strong Family

### Weekend Mass Times

Saturday, Nov 03

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

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

Sunday, Nov 04

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

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

*Hate doesn't overcome any difficulty. Division of hearts doesn't overcome any difficulty. Only love is capable of overcoming difficulties. Love is a festival. Love is joy. Love is to keep moving forward.*

Pope Francis

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**October 28, 2018**

**30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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Do you know what you want? Really want? Sometimes we act like we want things that we do not need, which might be harmful for us. Or are we blind because we have not thought it through, are being impulsive, or have not dug deep enough into our heart and soul to see what we want.

Try keeping it simple – an act that requires confidence and humility.

Bartimaeus follows this principle. He know what he wants – his sight. Furthermore, he has faith that he will get his sight even before he asks for the miracle from Jesus. He casts aside his cloak – hardly an act of a blind person who could not find anything within reach. Jesus uses the same economy; he cures Bartimaeus and reveals the key to the cure.

How many of us cling to things that interfere with getting closer to God? Often, we wear them like a cloak – envy, gluttony, greed or avarice, lust, pride, sloth and wrath. These sins are often confused with what we need and want, and we sometimes try to justify hanging onto them. But in the end, we find that they distance us from God.

The miraculous key that Jesus identified is faith. Do we have the courage to fling off the cloak? It is that simple – faith can help us find the way when we are blinded by confusion over what is important. Faith will save us.

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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,



On October, 19, 2014, at the closing Mass of the Synod on Families, Pope Francis proclaimed, **God is not afraid of new things! That is why he is continually surprising us, opening our hearts and guiding us in unexpected ways. He renews us: he constantly makes us “new”. A Christian who lives the Gospel is “God’s newness” in the Church and in the world. How much God loves this “newness”!**

Bartimaeus embraced this newness as he experienced a miracle of healing when Jesus restored his sight. Even as a man without sight, Bartimaeus, was not afraid of new things. He was surprised and his heart was opened just like his eyes. Bartimaeus became a Christian who now followed Jesus. His vision was broadened as he embraced this newness of life he found in Jesus, the living Gospel!

We too are called to broaden our vision of evangelization. This is the message we received during our recent Priest Study Days. Fr. Jim Higgins and Fr. Al Dufraimont, pastors of the first Family of Parishes in our diocese. encouraged us with the words, **Do not be afraid!** Yes, with change comes resistance but the newness they have experienced already has been incredible and so life-giving. As we continue to prepare for the Family of Parishes, may we allow God to surprise us and guide us in unexpected ways like Bartimaeus. Let us follow Jesus and not be afraid to embrace God’s newness every single day of our lives!

Bishop Fabbro has encouraged each Family of Parishes to begin working collaboratively on a particular project. Fr. Thom Blondin and I have agreed to invite our parishes (in Glencoe, Delaware, Strathroy & Parkhill) to work together on a Refugee Committee. Our first meeting is scheduled on **Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am at Sacred Heart in Parkhill.** Please join us if you are interested in helping with this important project.

**Custodian/Cleaner Required** – There is an opportunity for someone who is interested in cleaning the church and hall at Immaculate Heart of Mary. The church is cleaned once every 2 weeks and the hall is cleaned upon request. Anyone interested can contact Fr. Tony for details at 519-238-8556, ext 22.

**Grand Cove Fair and Craft Sale** – **Saturday, November 3, 2018** from 10am – 2pm at the Grand Cove Club House, across from Oakwood Park on Highway 21, north.

**An Evening With Dr Andrew Simone From Canadian Food For Children**

Serving the Poorest of the Poor, **Friday November 9th, 2018 at 7 pm at Our Lady of the Pillar Academy 6100 Calvert St Strathroy Ont.** Gently used items, clothing, baby needs, tools, etc. can be donated to CFFC and very much appreciated. For more information please contact 519-245-6000

**Inviting All Parishioners** of Sacred Heart and Immaculate Heart of Mary Parishes, to the Sacred Heart Parish Hall on **Thursday November 15<sup>th</sup> @7PM**, as Pete Aarssen gives a brief (approx. 45 min) but informative presentation concerning aging demographics and social policy consequences colliding making Euthanasia an all too attractive option if government ignores moral concern. Pete would like to serve the good people of Lambton-Kent-Middlesex as the next **Member of Parliament for the Progressive Conservative Party.** This presentation is being co-sponsored by The Knights of Columbus and The Sacred Heart CWL. Parish hall doors will open at **7pm** and presentation will begin at 7:15.

**Pray for Priests and Religious Communities –**



Sun Oct 28: Fr. Patrick Bénéteau  
Mon Oct 29: Deacon Raymond Girard  
Tue Oct 30: Seminarians of the Diocese of London  
Wed Oct 31: Fr. Antonio Del Ciancio  
Thu Nov 01: Fr. John Betkowski  
Fri Nov 02: Fr. Robert Rocheleau  
Sat Nov 03: Deacon Gary Coyle

**Be Heard** - As the church enters into the Synod on “Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment” the Diocese of London is inviting Young adults aged 18-35 to share what it is like to be a young Catholic in the world today. Simply go to [www.dol.ca/be-heard](http://www.dol.ca/be-heard) and provide a written reflection or a short (2 minutes max) video and you will be eligible to win one of three, \$100 Visa Gift Cards. Enter by October 31. For more information visit [www.dol.ca/be-heard](http://www.dol.ca/be-heard).

**Grade Four to Grade Eight Retreat - "Encounter - Experiencing God In The Everyday"** - We invite all youth grade four to grade eight to join us at All Saints Parish for a retreat weekend on Friday, **November 9** (4:30 pm - 9 pm) and Saturday, **November 10** (8:30 am - 7:30 pm). We will be going on a journey through the Bible, learning more about how God is present and active in our lives. We will share laughter, games and friendship with other youth, and come to know more deeply how precious you are to God, and how much He loves you by spending time with His Word. We will be journeying through the "Encounter" program created by Ascension Press. Registration deadline is Tuesday, October 30. Space is limited. Registration fee is \$50.00 per youth, and includes meals, snacks, drinks and all retreat resources. Financial Assistance is available. For more information, please contact Julie de Gouw at [jdegouw@dol.ca](mailto:jdegouw@dol.ca) or 519-294-6844 ext. 24. Forms can be found at the entrance of the church and can be returned to Julie.

**Vocations Team** from Immaculate Heart of Mary and Sacred Heart is looking for more members. Diocese of London Workshop to be held on **November 10**, St. Mary's West Lorne, 9:30 am to 2 pm. Contact Julie de Gouw, [jdegouw@dol.ca](mailto:jdegouw@dol.ca) or phone 519-294-6844 ext. 24 for more information.

**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.

We thank Joanne Royackers who has been a member of the board of directors of Second Blessings Community Store. Joanne has decided to retire from this position so we are looking for a replacement for her. Please contact your Pastor if you are interested.

The season of Advent is a month away and it also brings a new liturgical year for which we must prepare. Therefore, our Liturgy Committee will be meeting on **Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**. Lunch will be served at 12 pm and our meeting will follow. Everyone knows that many hands make for light work. If you would like to help us prepare for this new liturgical year in any way, please join us in the Parish Hall at Sacred Heart. Please RSVP Julie de Gouw if you plan to attend.

Interested in learning something new about our Catholic faith or meeting new people? Our RCIA classes will resume this week on **Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 12 – 2pm** at Sacred Heart Parish. Come be surprised as we make new disciples who are followers of Jesus Christ.

**Confirmation classes will begin on Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 3:30 pm** at Sacred Heart Parish Hall for all students in Grade 7 & 8. Parents of these Confirmation students are invited to attend a meeting at **7 pm on Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup>** in the Parish Hall. Parents and students are welcome to attend this initial meeting.

**This Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, we celebrate All Saints Day and Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, we celebrate All Souls Day.** As is the custom, through out the month of November, we will remember those who have died during our celebrations of the Eucharist. You are welcome to enter the name of a loved one who has died this year in our Book of Remembrance.

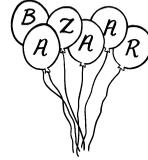
Thank you for your continued prayers! My eye surgery has been rescheduled for Monday, November 5th.

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

Fr. Tony

**Annual Memorial Mass** - You and your family are invited to attend the **Annual Memorial Mass** in remembrance of those interred at St. Peter's Cemetery and, in a special way those who have died in the past year. The Mass will take place on **Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.** in the Holy Family Mausoleum Chapel. Celebrant: Most Rev. Joseph Dabrowski. Everyone is invited to join us as we pray for our family & friends.

**Everyone Is Welcome** to attend the **Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish BAZAAR** on **Saturday, November 3rd, from 9:30am - 1:30pm**, in the Fr. Beck Auditorium. Bring your family and friends for Lunch; buy Fresh Vegetables, Christmas Planters, Baked Goods and Handicrafts. Try your luck at the Prize Table and the Raffle. Sponsored by the Catholic Women's League



**Grand Bend Parishioners** are encouraged to make donations to the CWL Bazaar. Baked Goods, Preserves and Handicrafts...as well as *new, unused items* for the Prize Table are most welcome! Donations are gratefully accepted in the Fr. Beck Auditorium, from 1-2pm, Thursday, November 1st. Contact Rose Vanbruaene 519-238-8396

**Catholic Women's League Membership Sunday** -

**Sunday, November 4th** is our annual CWL membership drive for new and renewing members. CWL members will be at the entranceway of the church before and after Mass to collect dues and to answer questions.



**Readers And Eucharistic Ministers Workshop** - "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."

This mission statement of our parish family, invites all of us into service to become Intentional Disciples of Christ! What better way to do this than to be involved in ministry! Our faith journey, as Intentional Disciples, is a never ending journey! We need to be open and ready to the promptings of the Holy Spirit! We also need to be ready to learn and expand our knowledge of our Catholic Faith.

Whether you have been involved in your particular ministry for a long period of time or you are just starting your journey into a ministry of service, you are strongly encouraged to attend this workshop on **Saturday November 10, 9 am until noon at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish hall.**

Thank you for your commitment to our parishes. Your participation in our parish liturgies, makes us, in the words of Bishop Fabbro, "a vibrant community, evident by the number of parishioners engaged in the life of the parish." For more information or to RSVP, contact Julie de Gouw at [jdegouw@dol.ca](mailto:jdegouw@dol.ca) or call the parish office at 519-294-6844, ext. 24.



**Coffee Social** – **Sacred Heart** – On **Nov 4<sup>th</sup>** there will be a Coffee Social in the parish hall following the 9am Mass. Everyone is invited to attend.

**Sacred Heart Youth** – **October 31<sup>st</sup>** – **Halloween** -

Trick or treat, trick or treat give me something good to eat!... like canned goods! Come on out on Halloween to go Trick-or-Treating through Parkhill for canned goods for the Ailsa Craig Food Bank. Please be at the Parish Hall by 6:00pm to start Trick-or-Treating! You can get volunteer hours from participating if you are in high school! Please bring your volunteer papers with you that night. Wear your spookiest, goofiest or maybe holiest (a saint)



costume, but be sure to dress for the weather! Invite your friends! All youth high school age and young adults are welcome! For more info contact Veronica Roelands @ [veronica.roelands4@hotmail.ca](mailto:veronica.roelands4@hotmail.ca) or (519) 294-0663



**EDGE Night in November:** Come out and join us in November 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 Monday, **November 5, 2018** from 7:00-8:30pm in the parish hall. This month we will be learning more about how the Holy Spirit works in the Church and in our own lives, and how the Holy Spirit aids us in the mission that Christ has given us.

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 8:30pm to sign them out! Please contact Karen Minten for more information at [karenaminten@gmail.com](mailto:karenaminten@gmail.com).

**Seasons of Hope - Bereavement Group to Begin** - If you're in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. We will meet for six sessions beginning **Tuesday, November 6 at St. Boniface Church at 6:30 pm** or **Thursday, November 8 at St. Peter's Church (St. Joseph) at 10 am**. Prayer, Scripture, faith sharing, and fellowship. For more details, see flyer on bulletin board or call St. Boniface Church Office at 519-236-4191.