



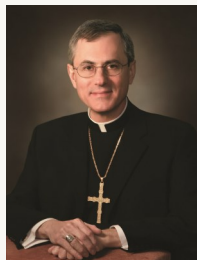
PARISH BULLETIN

"Being a mission-oriented church that forms disciples of Jesus."



The Presentation of the Lord

February 2, 2025



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MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

Tuesday through Friday: 12:00pm
Saturday: 5:00pm (livestreamed) | Sunday: 9:00am, 11:00am

St. Michael's Parish

Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00pm | Wednesday & Friday: 9:30am
Saturday: 5:00pm | Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm

St. Josephine Bakhita Community (at St. Michael's):

4th Sunday of the month: 2:30pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation at Both Parishes

Saturday: 9:00am to 10:00am

WELCOME!

St. Michael's Parish

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Wherever you are in your faith journey, it is great to have you!

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Or by appointment.

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PARKING

St. Michael's Parish ♿

Weekend and weekday parking is available on the street and behind the parish. Weekday parking behind the parish is restricted to along the fence, as parking against the school is teacher and parent parking only.

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica ♿

Weekend parking is available on the street and in the parking lots next to the Cathedral. Parking north of the former school is restricted to Sunday mornings. Weekday parking is available on the street and in the small, ungated lot next to the Cathedral.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord February 1st - 2nd, 2025

"Today we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord. This feast is known as the feast of Encounter in the Eastern Church where it began. In 1997, Pope John Paul II instituted a world day of prayer for consecrated life attached to this feast. Of course, in the United States and Canada, when one hears February 2, what comes to mind is Groundhog Day, the day when a prediction is made about how many more weeks of winter are left depending on whether the groundhog sees his shadow or not. But unlike the uncertainty of the weather, the feast of the Presentation of the Lord has a sense of certainty associated with it. In this feast, we celebrate the certainty of the fulfillment of God's promise to Israel that is fulfilled in Jesus but that is extended to the entire world. And, we celebrate the continuation of God's love in our own world, of God continually reaching out towards us and inviting us into a relationship or encounter."

As I reflected on the reading from Luke, I was struck by two aspects. The first involved Mary and Joseph bringing Jesus to the temple. In a way, they make Jesus present. The second aspect is of Simeon and Anna recognizing Jesus as the promised one. As disciples of Jesus, each one of us is called to embrace both these aspects. To be the presence of Jesus in the world around us and to be able to recognize Jesus as revealed or made present by others."

Excerpt from *Daily Reflection of Creighton University's Online Ministries*,
Fr. Nicky Santos, SJ; [https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/
CollaborativeMinistry/020220.html](https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/020220.html)

National Catholic Health Care Week: February 2nd - 8th

From **February 2nd to 8th**, we mark National Catholic Health Care Week across Canada, recognizing the important work of Catholic health organizations in our province and across Canada. The week leads into the World Day of the Sick, February 11, a Catholic day of observance established by Pope John Paul II to encourage prayers and reflections for those who are ill and for those who care for them.

At the heart of Catholic health is a deep respect for the intrinsic value and dignity of every human being and a commitment to serving all people, from all backgrounds and faiths—especially those impacted by trauma, stigma, poverty, and isolation.

We pray for care teams who have given much over the past years and continue to walk with all those who are ill, deeply troubled, weary and struggling. We are grateful for our Catholic health ministries as partners in the healing ministry of Jesus, fostering trust, promoting justice and respecting the dignity of every human person - body, mind and soul.

Holding all those who are hurting in our hearts, we ask God to bless the work of Catholic health and we offer our prayers, support, and encouragement for the people of our Catholic health organizations who serve with compassion and courage.

 You are encouraged to mark National Catholic Health Care Week with daily reflections and prayers. Please visit the Catholic Health Alliance of Canada website at www.chac.ca.



The Pope Francis Fund

Established on November 17, 2019 the Pope Francis Fund will be a continuing source of assistance for those in need, as well as a reminder that we are truly missionary disciples of Christ. The proceeds earned by the Fund will be given annually to agencies that directly serve the needs of people who are underprivileged.

If you would like to join our collective efforts, please give through your local parish, or you can give online with a credit card by [clicking here](#). To read the full Letter to the Faithful from the Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB, [click here](#).



St. Peter's CWL Update

St. Peter's CWL members, please note the Executive meeting date has been changed to **Sunday, February 16th** at 2:30pm in the St. Anthony Room. See you then!

Presentation on Indigenous Historical Trauma & Healing

In keeping with ongoing education about Indigenous studies, St. Michael's Social Justice Committee invites you to a presentation by Christine Maracle about Historical Trauma and Healing. Christine is a Registered Nurse specializing in psychiatry and has worked as an Addiction Counsellor. She served as the Healing Ministry Coordinator for the Archdiocese of Keewatin-Le Pas in the areas of grief, trauma and Residential School healing.

As a Mohawk woman Christine is passionate about working with Canada's First Nation, Métis and Inuit populations. She has served on the Diocesan Truth and Reconciliation Committee since its inception in 2021. In addition, she serves on several Truth and Reconciliation Committees in southwestern Ontario. She also sits on the CCCB Standing Committee for Responsible Ministry and the Protection of Minors and Vulnerable People.

Please join us on **Tuesday, February 11th** at 7:00pm in the JP11 Room at St. Michael's Church. There will be a free will offering.



Women of Grace Study Program

All women are invited to join in discovering God's purpose and mission for you. You will deepen your spiritual life with this powerful Catholic Study, which has helped and inspired many women.

The program will take place weekly on **Tuesdays at 9:30am - 11:30am, from February 11th to April 1st** in the JP11 room. The program has 8 sessions with video hosted by Johnnette Benkovic. All materials will be provided.

Registration required. Limited space, register soon! All are welcome! For more information or to register, call Veronica Solis at 519-488-6265 or email at versolis@hotmail.com.

Seniors on the Move - Spring Session

The Spring session of Seniors on the Move exercise has begun! Join us on **Mondays and Wednesdays**, 9:30am - 10:15am in St. Michael's Hall, running from January to the end of May. Open to both men and women. For more information, please contact Carole Rawlings at 519-672-4489 or carolerawlings9@gmail.com.



Catholic Women's League Updates St. Michael's CWL

All women of the parish are invited to the first CWL meeting of the New Year, on **Monday, February 3rd** at 7:00pm in the St. John Paul II room. Join other CWL members to hear about plans for the coming months and discuss the proposed 2025 budget. All women of the parish are welcome to attend this evening of faith and friendship in our common goals!



St. Michael's CWL & Knights of Columbus Dinner & Dance: Saturday, February 22nd



Save the date! The St. Michael's CWL and Knights of Columbus Dinner & Dance will be held on **Saturday, February 22nd** at 7:00pm in the Parish Hall, doors open at 6:30pm. If you can support St. Michael's CWL and Knights of Columbus in their charitable efforts, please consider donating an item to the Silent Auction.

Tickets are \$30 per person. To purchase tickets or to make a donation to the silent auction, please call Joan Lobsinger at 519-438-4909 or Marty McAllister at 519-870-1859.



St. Peter's Knights of Columbus Membership Drive THIS WEEKEND: February 1st - 2nd

Are you a Catholic man feeling the call to live out your Catholic Faith in service to the Church and your community? As a Knight, you would be part of the largest Catholic fraternity in the world. As you grow in faith, you are supported by a true brotherhood built on shared values - and on a shared desire to be the men God has called you to be.

Being a Knight lets you get support from Catholic men in your own neighbourhood. Additionally, as a Knight you will have the opportunity to engage in charitable activities, faith formation activities and social activities within the parish community.

Come and find out about the Knights of Columbus **this weekend** after all masses at the information table in the narthex and speak to one of our Knights!



Truth and Reconciliation

Parishioners and Parish groups are invited to participate in *A Path to Solidarity* with Indigenous people. Each month, for 10 months, a topic will be explored as, "A Step on A Path to Solidarity," to raise awareness, educate and stimulate discussion. February's step on, "A Path to Solidarity," is Energy. To learn more, click [here](#). Each topic has 4 parts: *See, Discern, Act* and *Further Resources*. To learn more about each step we take on our Path to Solidarity, click [here](#).

The Kids' Bulletin is available in the narthex or at lnc.dol.ca/kidsbulletin.

The Kids' Bulletin

Feast of the Presentation of Jesus
February 2nd, 2025



Can you help the Holy Family find their way to the Temple so that Baby Jesus can be presented there?

The Presentation of Jesus

Today we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of Baby Jesus in the temple. God's people were supposed to offer their firstborn sons to the service of God, or make an offering of animals instead.

Did you know that you can offer yourself to God too? You can use your life to do good and please God.

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This Week on Formed

God Is With Us | Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist | Episode 1

When is the last time you sat down to enjoy a meal with your family or close friends—not just to eat food in close proximity to each other, but to bask in each other's presence and grow in love for one another? For most of us, this doesn't happen at a typical meal. But this is the kind of meal God wants to share with us. This is the kind of meal he has prepared for us and invites us to participate in through the Sacrament of the Eucharist.



[Click here](#) to watch the 35-minute video.

The Bible (Part 2) | What Catholics Believe

Join Dr. Mark Giszczak as he answers some of the Internet's most popular questions about the Bible. What is the difference between the Old Testament and the New Testament? Do Catholics read the Bible? Find out in this episode of What Catholics Believe.



[Click here](#) to watch the 9-minute video.

St. Josephine Bakhita: A Story of God's Rescue | Brother Francis

Join Sister Imelda as she shares amazing stories of brave girls and women who said yes to God's call and went on to change the world even when things got tough. In this episode, she tells the inspiring story of St. Josephine Bakhita, who, after being taken captive and made a slave, finds freedom by giving her life to God. *Did you know?* **February 8th** is St. Josephine Bakhita's feast day!



[Click here](#) to watch the 10-minute video.

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ST. PETER'S QR

Simply open your phone's camera, hover over the QR code of the parish you would like to donate to and click the link that appears!



ST. MICHAEL'S QR

REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday, February 4

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

August Gorski
Michael Egan
Daniel Nolan

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Walter Posadowski
Souls in Purgatory
Sergio Barbon

Wednesday, February 5

St. Michael's at 9:30 AM

Rosa Castrilli
Judy Campbell
The Cachapero Family

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Intentions of Michael Nolan
Intentions of Kelly Luxton
Sister Mary Jude

Thursday, February 6

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Mike & Salvina Said
Sergio Barbon
Frank Krmelj

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Intentions of Josephine Mallari
Ong Su Que & Visitacion Mallari
Gabrielle Volpe

Friday, February 7

St. Michael's at 9:30 AM

Alfred Mabbayad
Maggela Tremblay
Olukayode Ogunbayo

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Gildo & Giovanna DiCola
Eileen Hogan
Christopher Czyz

We remember in prayer all those who are sick. We also pray for those who have died, including: Adelia Perez, grandmother of Manilag Renner; Robert Simpson, father of Carrie Thornton; and comfort those who mourn.

We pray for those serving in pastoral ministry throughout our diocese:

Catholic Secondary School Teachers; Mrs. Maija Wilson, Campus Minister; Rev. Gilbert Simard; Mrs. Rachele Leslie, Pastoral Minister; Dcn. Henry Tomaszewski; Dcn. Ronald Vermette; Mrs. Rita Butler, Coordinator of Youth Ministry.

Offer a Mass for a loved one, or in thanksgiving. Contact the parish office or visit www.lncc.dol.ca/mass-prayer-requests.

READINGS FOR FEBRUARY 9, 2025 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading - Isaiah 6.1-2a, 3-8
Responsorial - Ps. 138.1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5, 7c-8 (R. 1b)
R. Before the Angels I sing your praise, O Lord.
Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 15.3-8, 11
Gospel - Luke 5.1-11

PARISH EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

Monday, February 3

9:30 AM - Seniors on the Move (Hall)

4:00 PM - Hospitality North (Hall)

7:00 PM - St. Michael's CWL General Meeting & Social (JP11)

Tuesday, February 4

7:00 PM - St. Michael's Knights' General Meeting (JP11)

Wednesday, February 5

9:30 AM - Seniors on the Move (Hall)

6:30 PM - Legion of Mary (St. Andre Bessette)

Thursday, February 6

1:00 PM - Young at Heart Cards (St. Josemaria)

Friday, February 7

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Saturday, February 8

10:00 AM - Yarning With Love (St. Josemaria)

11:00 AM - St. Peter's CWL General Meeting (Hall)

Sunday, February 9

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PARISH Support

SUNDAY COLLECTION: January 26, 2025

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$6,828.55	\$2,614.00
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$1,957.30	\$1,061.80
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$3,649.41	\$3,001.25
TOTAL	\$12,435.27	\$6,677.05

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