



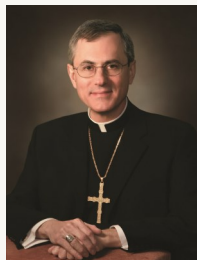
# PARISH BULLETIN

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



Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 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

🏠 511 Cheapside Street  
☎ (519) 433-6689  
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### St. Josephine Bakhita African & Caribbean Community

Located at St. Michael's Parish

### St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

🏠 196 Dufferin Avenue  
☎ (519) 432-3475  
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To register with our parishes, visit us online at [www.lncc.dol.ca/join-our-family](http://www.lncc.dol.ca/join-our-family) or ask our parish volunteers for a registration form.

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

## PARISH OFFICE

### Parish Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 3:00pm  
Or by appointment.

### Parish Office Mailing Address

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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.



## Our Lenten Journey

The Season of Lent begins next week. Pope Francis' message for Lent, *Let us Journey Together in Hope*, has now been released. [Click here](#) to view.

Masses for our Family of Parishes for Ash Wednesday, **Wednesday, March 5th** are:

St. Michael's Parish:

9:30am | 7:00pm

St. Peter's Cathedral:

12:00pm | 7:00pm

**Stations of the Cross** will be prayed each Friday of Lent at both parishes:

St. Peter's Cathedral: 12:45pm | St. Michael's Parish: 7:00pm

We have 2 Lenten Reflection Books available this year to guide you in your Lenten Journey:

**-The Path To Hope: Daily Devotions for Lent**

**-Lifted Up in Love: Daily Devotions for Lent and Easter**

Copies are available at the entrances at both churches beginning this weekend!

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## Journey Through Lent 2025 Video Series

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is launching its Lenten video series, Journey through Lent. Beginning on Ash **Wednesday, March 5th**, and for each Sunday in Lent, up to and including Palm Sunday, a video will be available on the CCCB website featuring pastoral reflections based on the Readings for the Sunday Eucharistic Celebration. Geared to individuals, families, and communities, this series is meant to offer spiritual inspiration and guidance on how to prepare well for the Easter season.

This year's presenter is Most Reverend Gary Franken, Bishop of St. Paul, Alberta. For Ash Wednesday, Bishop Franken reflects on the Joy of Lent. [Click here](#) to view the reflection.

## Parking for Ash Wednesday Masses

Parking for daytime Masses at both St. Michael's (9:30am) and St. Peter's Cathedral (12:00pm noon) is *limited*. Carpool if you can!



## Holy Family Retreat House

*Advisory Board Seeking New Members*

The Advisory Board serves as a consultative body to support the work of the retreat house. They meet in-person four times annually in the Windsor-Essex area. We are currently seeking members-at-large from parishes within the Diocese of London until March 31st.

More information and the short application form can be found at [www.hfrh.ca](http://www.hfrh.ca) or email Deacon David Ducharme at [dducharme@dol.ca](mailto:dducharme@dol.ca).

## This Lent, Turn Debt into Hope

2025 is a Jubilee year. A year in which Pope Francis invites us to "forgive the debts of countries that will never be able to repay them." (*Spes non confundit*, 16). Development and Peace – Caritas Canada is responding to this call through the global **Turn Debt into Hope** campaign. Here are a few ways you can join us:

1. **Donating** online at [devp.org/give](http://devp.org/give) or during the Solidarity Sunday collection on April 6th, the fifth Sunday of Lent. Your generosity helps support over 79 projects in 34 countries around the world!
2. **Get the Mini-magazine** and follow the Solidarity **Calendar** with your family. Copies of the Mini-Magazine and Solidarity Calendar is found in the narthex. Discover all the resources at [devp.org/lent/resources](http://devp.org/lent/resources).

## World Day of Prayer - Friday, March 7th

The World Day of Prayer will be celebrated on **Friday, March 7th** at 2:00pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, 746 Colborne Street at Oxford. The theme for this year is, "I Made You Wonderful," inspired by Psalm 139:13 and the service has been written by the women of the Cook Islands in the South Pacific.

The celebration will be followed by refreshments, and all are welcome to attend this special service along with members of our local Christian churches.



## March Break Family Movie Night

Join us on **Wednesday, March 12th** at 7:00pm in the St. Michael's Parish Hall for our March Break Family Movie Night! Enjoy some quality time with your family while watching the Oscar-winning animated movie, "Encanto!" Bring your family, pillows and blankets for a cozy evening. Doors open at 6:30pm.

Please note, all children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult (18+).

## Truth and Reconciliation - ReconciliAction

The Truth and Reconciliation Committee invites parishioners to participate in a Day of ReconciliAction and Friendship on **Friday, March 14th**.

The day involves a fire, breakfast and lunch, a tour of the three First Nations outside of London and opportunities to learn from Indigenous Knowledge Keepers. The deadline to register is **Friday, March 7th**. [Click here](#) for more information.

A DAY OF  
**RECONCILIATION  
& FRIENDSHIP**

## 5 Day Silent Retreat with Individual Spiritual Direction Sunday, March 23rd - Thursday, March 27th

Come away for a few days of peaceful presence with God during the Lenten season. Experience the serenity and clarity that comes from listening to the Holy Spirit. This retreat will provide time and space for solitude, personal prayer, daily individual spiritual direction, Mass and reconciliation. Enjoy the beauty of the early spring season by praying outdoors, or the beautiful chapel, lounge areas or your private room. More information can be found at [www.hfrh.ca](http://www.hfrh.ca).





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

### Reaffirmation & General Meeting: Monday, March 3rd

The St. Michael's CWL will meet on **Monday, March 3rd** at 7:00pm in the Saint John Paul II Room. A "Reaffirmation of Officers" ceremony will be held at 6:30pm in the Nave of the St. Michael's Parish prior to the meeting. This is a wonderful ceremony of prayer for our executives as they serve their second year in office for God and country, and all are welcome to attend!

### St. Peter's CWL Updates Lenten Lunches

St. Peter's Catholic Women's League is delighted to announce the beginning of our Lenten Lunches at St. Paul's again this year. The big change is that the lunches will be held on Tuesdays, beginning on **Tuesday, March 4th** with a Shrove Tuesday Pancake and Sausage Lunch. Subsequent Tuesdays will offer the usual soup and sandwich fare. Cost is by free-will offering.

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### World Day of Prayer: Downtown Hub - Friday, March 7th

St. Peter's Catholic Women's League warmly invites you to join us for the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada's World Day of Prayer. This year, St. Peter's Cathedral will host the service, bringing together members from St. Paul's Anglican, First St. Andrew's, Metropolitan United, St. George's Anglican, and Dundas St. United churches. On **Friday, March 7th**, the prayer service will begin at 2:00pm at St. Peter's Cathedral, followed by a reception in the Assembly Room at St. Paul's.

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### General Meeting - Saturday, March 8th

Reminder of St. Peter's Catholic Women's League General Meeting on **Saturday, March 8th** beginning at 11:00am in the JPll Room at St. Michael's. We welcome all women of our parish, ages 16 and up to join us. Please lug a mug and plate!



### St. Michael's & St. Peter's Knights of Columbus Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper



The St. Michael's and St. Peter's Knights of Columbus will be hosting the Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on **Tuesday, March 4th** in the St. Michael's Parish Hall from 5:00pm until 7:00pm. Cost is \$5 per person. Please join us, all are welcome!

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### St. Peter's Knights of Columbus - Come & See Night

Do you wonder who the Knights Of Columbus are and what they do? Attend our Come & See Night to get all your questions answered and meet some of the members! Join us on **Tuesday, March 18th** at 7:00pm in the St Michael's Parish Hall.



### St. Andre Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Join the St. Andre Knights of Columbus for their next Fish Fry at St. Justin's Parish Hall! On **Friday, March 14th**, at 4:30pm - 6:00pm, the Knights will host a full meal including fish (or chicken fingers), fries or baked potatoes, coleslaw, buns, dessert, and beverages. The cost is \$20 per person. For more information, please contact Brad Sullivan at [sullycanuck@hotmail.com](mailto:sullycanuck@hotmail.com).

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### Prayer | How To Lent

Prayer is essential to Christian life, but it's often difficult to make time for it, to know what to say, or even just to listen God.



In this episode, we will turn to Scripture to understand the Church's teaching on prayer. From that framework, you will learn how to pray and gather some of our best tips for praying during Lent. Prayer isn't just another thing to do during Lent; it is the foundation of all Lenten practices.

*[Click here](#) to watch the 14-minute video.*

### Lent | What Catholics Believe

Join Fr. Scott Bailey, a priest in the Archdiocese of Denver, as he answers some of the Internet's most asked questions about Lent. What is Lent? Why is Lent 40 days long? What should I give up for Lent?



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

### The Story of Saint Perpetua | Catholic Heroes of the Faith

A young woman willingly takes a stand of faith and challenges the Roman Empire.



Born to a noble Roman family, Perpetua converts to Christianity when she is irresistibly drawn to the example of unselfish love and service that she witnesses in the local believers.

Along with slaves Felicity and Revocutus, she makes her way to a secret gathering of the Church, unaware that the Emperor Septimius Severus has issued a decree prohibiting new conversions to Christianity.

Arrested and tried, Perpetua, Felicity, and their companions take a valiant stand that echoes down through the centuries.

*[Click here](#) to watch the 38-minute video.*



### Lenten Spiritual Workshop

*My Sheep Hear My Voice, And They Follow Me*

Finding it difficult to discern God's Voice?

This Lenten workshop will teach you how to discern between the 3 voices we hear: the voice of God, the voice of the evil one, or our own inner voice. Am I being led astray or is this where God is leading me? Sponsored by St. Michael's CWL. All are welcome! **Saturday, April 5th**, 9:30am to 1:30pm in the Parish Hall. Free-will offering for lunch.

To register, email [CWLstmichlon@gmail.com](mailto:CWLstmichlon@gmail.com) or call the parish office at 519-433-6689.



## REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS



### Tuesday, March 4

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Mike & Salvina Said  
Meiliana Gunawan & Family  
Mary Moir

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Gail Webster  
Jeff Gheller  
Intentions of Adam, Lucas & Marek Beaulieu

### Wednesday, March 5

St. Michael's at 9:30 AM

In Thanksgiving  
Intentions of Kathy Harber  
Jesusa Flores

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Intentions of Petra & Nick Beaulieu

### Thursday, March 6

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Gisele Hamilton  
Emily Allman  
Linda Britton

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

All Souls in Purgatory  
Intentions of Peter & Olga Marek  
Kadosa Kadar

### Friday, March 7

St. Michael's at 9:30 AM

Intentions of Anna Schroder  
Intentions of Edna & Wilson Ortega  
Intentions of Athena, Alphonsus & Alphaeus Sy

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Holy Souls in Purgatory  
Intentions of Jana, Dusan, Petra, Jana

**We remember in prayer** all those who are sick. We also pray for those who have died, including: Kadosa Kadar; Dawna-Mae Kelledjian; Dennis Moore, uncle of Bunny Harris; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Dcn. Larry Lamphier; Rev. John Pirt; Dcn. Paul James;  
Rev. Phil Guimaraes; Rev. Chris Gillespie;  
Rev. Frederick Howard-Smith.

**Offer a Mass** for a loved one, or in thanksgiving. Contact the parish office or visit [www.lncc.dol.ca/mass-prayer-requests](http://www.lncc.dol.ca/mass-prayer-requests).

### READINGS FOR MARCH 9, 2025 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading - Deuteronomy 26.4-10  
Responsorial - Ps. 91.1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (R. see 15b)  
*R. Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.*  
Second Reading - Romans 10.8-13  
Gospel - Luke 4.1-13

## PARISH EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

### Monday, March 3

9:30 AM - Seniors on the Move (Hall)  
4:00 PM - Hospitality North (Hall)  
7:00 PM - St. Michael's CWL General Meeting (JP11)

### Tuesday, March 4

9:30 AM - Women of Grace Study Program (JP11)  
5:00 PM - Knights of Columbus' Pancake Supper (Hall)  
7:00 PM - St. Michael's Knights' General Meeting (JP11)

### Wednesday, March 5

9:30 AM - Seniors on the Move (Hall)  
6:30 PM - Legion of Mary (St. Andre Bessette)

### Thursday, March 6

1:00 PM - Young at Heart Cards (St. Josemaria)  
2:30 PM - St. Peter's CWL Executive Meeting (St. Anthony)

### Friday, March 7

2:00 PM - World Day of Prayer (St. Peter's)

### Saturday, March 8

10:00 AM - Yarning with Love (St. Josemaria)  
11:00 AM - St. Peter's CWL General Meeting (JP11)

### Sunday, March 9

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## PARISH Support

**SUNDAY COLLECTION: February 23, 2025**

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$4,699.00	\$3,902.10
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$1,548.60	\$1,646.95
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$3,575.66	\$2,968.75
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