



London North Central
Catholic Family of Parishes

PARISH BULLETIN

Serving the communities of
St. Josephine Bakhita African & Caribbean
Catholic Community, St. Michael's Parish, and
St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

"Being a mission-oriented Church that forms disciples of Jesus"

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 5, 2024



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MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

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

St. Michael's Parish

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

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

4th Sunday of the month, 2:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation at Both Parishes

Saturdays 9:00 am to 10:00 am

St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica

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Welcome to Our Family!

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Are you new in the community?



Register at www.lncc.dol.ca/join-our-family
or get a parish registration form from our
volunteers.

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**Catholic Education Week 2024:
We Are Called to Love**



"Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The theme this year of Catholic Education Week, **May 5 to May 10**, is We are called to love. It reminds us that while we are called to serve in different ways, we are all called to serve with love and we have the ability to respond in love, for we were first loved by God.

When Jesus was asked which is the greatest commandment, he responded by saying, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets" (Mt. 22:37-40). "

*Excerpt from Bishop Fabbro's Letter to the Diocese,
Catholic Education Week, 2024*

To see Bishop Fabbro's full letter, click [here](#).

Catholic Education Week 2024



Each year, the Catholic community of Ontario engages in a week-long celebration of the unique identity and distinctive contributions of Catholic education during Catholic Education Week. This year's celebration follows the theme, "We are called to love," and will be celebrated during the week of **May 5 - May 10**, 2024.

The five sub-themes for Catholic Education Week illuminate the path to accepting each other. Each day of the week, we reflect on our calling to love:

Monday: People of Hope, **Tuesday:** People of Faith, **Wednesday:** People of Mercy, **Thursday:** People of Justice, **Friday:** People of Joy.

We remember in prayer this week the schools of our Family of Parishes; Catholic Elementary: **St Catherine of Sienna, St. Kateri, St. Mark, St. Michael** and Catholic Secondary: **Catholic Central, Mother Teresa**—for students, teachers, and parents as they grow and nurture their faith through word and action.

Catholic Education Week comes at the same time as Mental Health Awareness Week. Through love and compassion, we can continue to support each other's wellbeing. God is love and we are always called to live out this love!

Catholic Education Week Prayer:

God who is love, Love is our calling, and the goal for which you have made us. As we celebrate Catholic Education Week, may our love in action reveal to our world that we are people of justice and mercy. May our daily words and example show clearly that we are people of faith and hope. In the ways we reflect you daily, may everyone recognize us as people of joy. Help us to never forget how much you love us, and to cherish your life within us, which gives energy and direction to our loving. May we hear your call to love generously and inclusively, and may we call our world to be more loving also. All of this we ask in the name of Jesus, our Friend and our Lord. Amen.

Mass for Life

Honouring life from conception to natural death.

Wednesday, **May 8**, 2024
7:00 pm
St. Peter's Cathedral

Presider: Bishop Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB

All are welcome!



A Path to Solidarity



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." Each topic has 4 parts: See, Discern, Act and Further Resources.

The April theme has focused on Energy, the May theme will focus on Women. Click this [link](#) to learn more about each topic.

St. Michael's Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP)



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul collection for the needy within our parish boundary is the 2nd Sunday of each month.

Make cheques payable to St. Michael's Parish and write SSVP on the memo line, or select SSVP from the drop-down list on Plenty. **Thank you for your support!**
www.lncc.dol.ca/donate-to-st-michaels

Retreat Opportunity at Holy Family Retreat House



The Matt Talbot retreat is an opportunity for recovering alcoholics to enhance their spirituality and sober way of life in a peaceful and relaxed setting that promotes fellowship and sharing throughout the weekend.

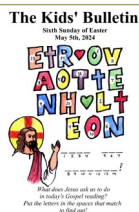
Our Retreat Leader, who is himself a recovering alcoholic and trained in spiritual matters, will give conferences on various broad topics several times during the weekend, bringing valuable insights into the spiritual element of the disease of alcoholism. Matt Talbot Retreats are intended to foster and enhance spiritual recovery as suggested by AA's Twelve-Step Program.

The weekend is for males only and runs from 7:00 pm Friday, **May 17th** to 1:00 pm Sunday, **May 19th**. Register by calling the retreat house at 519-738-6136 or click [here](#) to visit their website.

National Week of Family



The 2024 celebration of National Family and Life Week draws its theme, "Love hopes all things," from the words of St. Paul: "[Love] endures all things, trusts all things, hopes all things, endures all things." (1 Corinthians 13:7). To learn more, click [here](#) to read the full catechesis from the CCCB.



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

Love One Another

Jesus wants us to love each other just like God the Father loves us. When someone is loving toward you, think of how that person is being like God the Father and try to be like them!

Catholic Women's League Updates

St. Michael's CWL

All parishioners are welcome to join the **Crowning of Mary** in the church on Monday, **May 6th** at 6:30 pm as we gather for readings, music, and prayer to venerate our Blessed Mother.



Our regular monthly meeting and social will take place on Monday, **May 6th** at 7:00 pm in the JP11, after the Crowning of Mary Ceremony. Following on our ongoing support of Anova and My Sisters' Place, Dorothy Solomon will be sharing a first-hand perspective based on her daughter's experience living in a women's shelter.



St. Michael's CWL will be hosting a **Spring Friendship Tea** in the Parish Hall on Wednesday, **May 8th** from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. All women of the parish are welcome to attend! Bring your mother, grandmother, neighbour or daughter out for tea and company. It is free! If you plan to attend, please sign the Guest List in the Narthex of St. Michael's Parish.

St. Peter's CWL

Please join us on Tuesday, **May 7th** at 7:00 pm for our **Virtual Rosary**. We welcome all ladies from our Family of Parishes to join us. Contact Marian at 519-872-5502 or mstrom55@gmail.com to be added to the invite list, or to request prayer intentions.



Please join us on Thursday, **May 9th**, beginning at 7:00 am to 7:00 pm for **12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care** for the vulnerable, the terminally ill, those advanced in age, health care workers and providers, and Canadian lawmakers. Prayers for those who require access to palliative and hospice care are also needed.

A sign up sheet is available to pray in half-hour increments. Contact Marian at 519-872-5502 or email at mstrom55@gmail.com to add your name to the list so that we have the entire 12 hours covered in prayers!

Note that this will be on the honour system; we pray within our respective sacred spaces.

Knights of Columbus Updates



The **St. Michael's Knights of Columbus** will be holding their **Annual Parish Yard Sale** on **May 11th** from 8:00 am until 12:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Donations of your gently used items will be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the back door to the hall on Thursday, **May 9th** and Friday, **May 10th** at 9:00 am until 12 noon and 3:00 pm until 6:00 pm.

To arrange pick up of larger items or assistance if you are unable to get come out, please call Marty at 519-870-1859. Thank you for your support!

Protecting Your Financial Future

Join Knights of Columbus, your premier Catholic partner for financial services, on Wednesday, **May 15** at 7:30 pm for a free financial webinar to learn more about how life insurance can help you protect your family's financial future. Click [here](#) to view the full poster and registration details.



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[Formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup)

Enter "London North Central...", your Name & Email. Enjoy!

The Bible & Baptism: The Fountain of Salvation

Dr. John Sehorn, Academic Dean of the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, sits down with Fr. Isaac Morales, OP, a Dominican friar of the Province of Saint Joseph and Associate Professor of Theology at Providence College, to discuss Fr. Isaac's book, *The Bible and Baptism: The Fountain of Salvation* (Baker Academic). This 17-minute episode dives into how Baptism is the fountain of salvation for the Christian. Click [here](#) to watch.



Big Changes for Saul | Laugh & Grow Bible for Kids

God chose a special man to spread His good news around the Roman world. Learn how Saul, also known as Paul, was not who people expected but was the perfect man for God's big job. Click [here](#) to watch this 6-minute



Operating Statement for March 2024 YTD

	St. Michael's March YTD	St. Peter's March YTD
Offertory	\$153,818	\$122,527
Christmas	\$1,635	\$1,085
Easter	\$22,583	\$24,822
Thanksgiving Appeal	\$1,685	\$5,130
Stipends	\$2,246	\$3,145
Parish Social Activities	\$2,158	\$0
Donations	\$3,816	\$20,062
Ministry Revenue	\$1,995	\$2,233
Rental Income	\$0	\$6,300
Sales of Religious Articles	\$3,097	\$4,067
Miscellaneous	\$1,411	\$1,729
Special Collections	\$8,978	\$13,644
Operating Revenue	\$203,420	\$204,745
Compensation	\$77,953	\$91,908
Parish	\$6,873	\$6,263
Rectory	\$2,353	\$2,328
Church	\$235	\$642
Office	\$1,880	\$1,798
Hall	\$288	\$0
Land Maintenance	\$6,526	\$14,444
Utilities	\$10,379	\$21,935
Insurance	\$3,241	\$15,480
Property Taxes	\$925	\$925
Liturgy	\$6,726	\$9,888
Education	\$1,900	\$1,900
Ministry	\$6,706	\$5,823
Parish Social Activities	\$6,550	\$0
Stipends Paid	\$2,005	\$2,235
Special Collections	\$5,019	\$4,746
Diocesan Assessment	\$24,780	\$24,579
Donations Paid	\$4,458	\$6,292
Operating Costs	\$168,797	\$211,186
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	\$34,623	(\$6,441)

REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, May 7

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Rosa Castrilli

Deceased Members of Jim, Teresa Mitchel & Family
Special Intentions of Cora & Gerry

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12 Noon

George Brunton

Joe Murphy

Intentions of John Crinklaw

Wednesday, May 8

St. Michael's at 9:30 AM

Intentions of Howard & Carrie Anne

Steve Patterson

Intentions of Vanessa Macabagdal

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Intentions of the Thomson Family

Ray Dilling

Robert Klompstra

Thursday, May 9

St. Michael's at 7:00 PM

Chinelo Ojuknu

Flurelle D'Souza

Harry Fung

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Living and Deceased Members of the St. Peter's Cathedral CWL

Intentions of Josephine Mallari

Ong Su Que & Visitacion Mallari

Friday, May 10

St. Michael's at 9:30 AM

Mildred Wilbur

Donna Dagnone

Pascal Ojukwu

St. Peter's Cathedral at 12:00 Noon

Rita Clement

Intentions of Marie Claire

Anna Chiara D'Agostini

We remember in prayer all those who are sick, including: Father Bill Capitano and Joe Overmars. We also pray for those who have died, including: Ruth Beitia; Juraj (George) Tonkovic; Peter Van Tol, husband of Marianne Van Tol and father of Jolanda Squire; Winifred "Winnie" Gertrude Weerasooriya, mother of Kay Weerasooriya; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Rev. Richard (Dick) Bester; Parish Secretaries in the Diocese of London; Rev. Gary Ducharme; Rev. James Mockler; Rev. Gerry Campeau; Rev. Terrence McNamara; and Rev. William Thompson, O.M.I.

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 MAY 12, 2024

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

First Reading - Acts 1.1-11

Responsorial - Ps 47.1-2, 5-6, 7-8 (R.5a)

R. God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

Second Reading - Ephesians 1.17-23 or Ephesians 4.1-13

Gospel - Mark 16.15-20

PARISH EVENTS & HIGHLIGHTS

Monday May 6

9:00 AM: Seniors On the Move Exercise (Hall)

4:00 PM: Hospitality North Meal (Hall)

6:30 PM: C.W.L. Crowning of Mary - St. Michael's (Nave)

7:00 PM: C.W.L. Monthly Meeting - St. Michael's (JP11)

Tuesday May 7

1:30 PM: New Day Group (JP11)

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

Wednesday May 8

9:00 AM: Seniors On the Move Exercise (Hall)

1:00 PM: C.W.L. Friendship Tea - St. Michael's (Hall)

6:00 PM: Legion of Mary (St. Andre Bessette)

Thursday May 9

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

7:00 PM: Rosary Guild (St. Josemaria)

7:00 PM: Knight's General Meeting - St. Peter's (JP11)

Friday May 10

Saturday May 11

8:00 AM: Yard Sale - St. Michael's (STM Hall)

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

Sunday May 12

PARISH Support

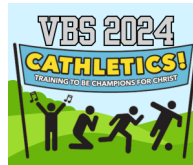
SUNDAY COLLECTION: April 28, 2024

	St. Michael's	St. Peter's
Regular Offertory (Envelopes)	\$4,409.00	\$4,375.00
Regular Offertory (Loose)	\$1,988.10	\$1,747.03
Weekly Pre-Authorized Giving	\$ 3,788.17	\$ 2,981.25
TOTAL	\$10,185.27	\$ 9,103.28

Thank you for your support and generosity!

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Vacation Bible School Registration: NOW OPEN!



Join us for a week of fun **July 15-19** at St. Michael's Parish for kids entering grades 1-4!

Register at lncc.dol.ca/vbs or click [here](#).

Pricing: \$20/Child; \$50/Family

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