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**7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
Sunday, February 23rd, 2020

Please bring in your old Palms, so that they can be burned for ashes on Ash Wednesday. They can be put in the tote that is in the Narthex.



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**Shrove Tuesday Dinner** - The Knights of Columbus will be serving pancakes and sausages on Shrove Tuesday, February 25, 2020 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm. All parishioners and family members are welcome to join us for a last feast before Lent begins. Admission is free; however a good will offering will be accepted to offset the cost. We look forward to seeing you all there.



Meat Pies are still available - \$4 each - Chicken and beef  
Call Mary Anne 519-472-6049

St. John the Divine Prayer Line  
**519-281-9580**

**Sunday Mass**  
Saturday 5:15 pm; Sunday 9:00 & 11 am

**Weekday Mass**  
7 pm—Tuesday  
12 noon—Wednesday  
8:30 am—Thursday  
\*8:30 am—Friday (\* at 7pm during Lent)

**Parish Rosary**  
half hour before each weekday mass

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** 11 am - 12 noon—Wednesday

**Children's Liturgy**  
11 am mass—September to June

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Tuesday 6:15 - 6:50 pm  
Wednesday 11:15 - 11:50 am  
Saturday 4 - 5 pm  
or by appointment

**Baptism** - Please make arrangements at least 12 weeks in advance with Fr. Don

**Marriage** - Arrangements to be made one year in advance

<b>Daily Mass this week.....</b>
<b>Tuesday, February 25th - 7 pm</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helen Krieger - George &amp; Family</li> <li>• Erminia DiGuglielmo - The Family</li> <li>• Antonio DiLullo - Anna Delli Colli Family</li> <li>• Fr. Al Williams - Max &amp; Liz Heidel</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday, February 26th - Ash Wednesday</b> <b>9:30 am - Ash Wednesday Service at St. Jude School, all are welcome</b> <b>11 am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> <b>12 noon - Mass</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maurice Perreault - Mary Perreault</li> <li>• Yolande Smith - Catholic Women's League</li> <li>• John Dragunovicus - Don Pumputis Sr.</li> <li>• Bill Bethel - Moe &amp; Jeanne Lacerte</li> </ul> <b>1:20 pm - Ash Wednesday Service at Jean Vanier School, all are welcome</b> <b>7 pm - Mass</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hendricus Janssen - Earl Wright</li> <li>• Pierre Simler - Walter &amp; Matilda Simler</li> <li>• Donna Blonde - Ron &amp; Verlyn Clifford</li> <li>• Maria Oliva - Murray &amp; Helen Hamilton</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday, February 27th - 8:30 am</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Patricia Murray - Paul Murray</li> <li>• John Sullivan - The Callaghan Family</li> <li>• Tom Fitzpatrick - The Family</li> <li>• Living &amp; Deceased Members of the Canadian Armed Forces</li> </ul>
<b>Friday, February 28th - 7 pm*</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forgotten Souls in Purgatory</li> <li>• Marilyn Metron - Knights of Columbus</li> <li>• Amy Hunt - Gary &amp; Mary Lou Foglton</li> <li>• Joan Cieslowski - Joan Henderson</li> </ul>
<i>*during Lent, Mass is celebrated in the evening, followed by Stations of the Cross. (There is no morning mass on Friday during Lent)</i>


Come and join us on April 19th for Divine Mercy Sunday. Starting at 3 pm with a Liturgy of the Word, Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, with time for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and silent adoration. Confession will also be available, so come out and join us at St. John the Divine this Blessed day.

*Fr. Don Pumputis*

**Stations of the Cross** – As in previous years, the Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Friday evening of lent after the 7:00 pm mass. Our Friday morning mass is in the evening during lent. Please consider making this on of your Lenten practices.

**What does Ash Wednesday mean?**  
Ash Wednesday is a Christian holy day of prayer and fasting. Ash Wednesday derives its name from the placing of repentance ashes on the foreheads of participants to either the words "Repent, and believe in the Gospel" or the dictum "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."



 **Enviro Tip: Sweep your sidewalk & driveway rather than power washing it onto the road and into the storm drain, which goes directly into the Thames River**

<b>Offertory Collections from February 15th / 16th, 2020</b>		
<b>Envelopes</b>	207	\$4425.75
<b>Loose Collection</b>		\$200.40
<b>Renovation Fund</b>	6	\$160.00
<i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish community!</i>		

**What is the reason for Fat Tuesday?** Mardi Gras is French for "Fat Tuesday", reflecting the practice of the last night of eating rich, fatty foods before the ritual fasting and religious obligations associated with the penitential season of Lent..

**What can you eat during Lent?** On Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays during Lent, adult Catholics over the age of 14 abstain from eating meat. During these days, it is not acceptable to eat lamb, chicken, beef, pork, ham, deer and most other meats. However, eggs, milk, fish, grains, and fruits and vegetables are all allowed.

**Lenten Booklets** will be available for you to purchase in the Narthex for Lent. This is a prayer aid to help us with our Lenten practices. The cost is \$3.00 per booklet.

Our **Annual Garage Sale is on Saturday, May 23, 2020**. The only reason this sale is successful is because of your generosity by donating your treasures and the mass of volunteers who come out and help. The money raised from the sale goes to reduce our parish debt. This week I am going to focus on the garden centre. This is the perfect time to start seedlings of tomatoes, onions, lettuce, cucumbers etc. An easy method is to place your seeds evenly between tissue paper, and place the tissue over some soil and then lightly cover with more soil and water. Then watch the magic happen.

**CWL-Sponsored Presentation - Loneliness - Community - Compassionate Care**  
Alex Schadenberg, Director of Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, and his team, have been giving presentations on Loneliness - Community - Compassionate Care across the Diocese. You are invited to attend this presentation on **Monday, February 24th at 6:30 pm in the Church**. Loneliness is an epidemic that requires a caring response. Euthanasia is legal. How do we protect our own?

**Annual World Day of Prayer - Friday March 6, 2020 - at 2:00 p.m.**  
**Westmount Presbyterian Church - 521 Village Green Avenue**  
**Please plan to attend. Everyone is welcome!**

Youth Ministry

### Steubenville Toronto July 2020

It is that time of year again and we are gearing up for Steubenville Toronto July 3-5th 2020! So far we have 15 young people who would like to go this year. The cost per student is \$375 and for the past two years our parish has generously supported our young people. Once again we are asking for your support. All donations are eligible for a tax receipt. Below are some options for donating:

1. Full sponsorship for one youth - \$375
2. Monetary donation of any amount

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Envelopes will be available in the Narthex as well as the Parish Office. Donations can be placed in the offertory. Please clearly include your name and envelope number if you are a parishioner. If you are not registered you are still eligible for a receipt – please include name and address with the donation.

Thank you for your continued support of our young people. The youth will be having some more fundraising events in the coming months to raise funds for this amazing opportunity. If you have questions please contact Bridget Corneil at bcorneil@dol.ca or call the office at 519-471-7022



Are you in your 20s or 30s? Are you a student or working, married or single, with or without children? If so, **i.d.9:16** might be just what you are looking for. It is a wonderful way to meet other young adults. In September of 2018, we began a new initiative in the Diocese called **i.d.9:16** through Renewal Ministries in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The monthly gatherings, which are called “Disciples’ Nights” invite young adults in their 20s and 30s to grow in their faith, and be active members in their respective parishes. The “Disciples’ Nights” are held on the first Thursday of each month, except for January and July, at St. Michael’s Parish, 511 Cheapside Street, London. Each evening will begin with Mass at 6:15 pm, (Fr. Danny Santos, Director of Vocations and Seminarians for our Diocese will preside) followed by the sharing of a meal and drinks at 7 pm, and a live-streamed talk and small group discussions at 8 pm. The evening will go on until 9:30 pm. Check us out on Facebook at LondonOntarioid916. Nursing babies are most welcome! The cost of dinner and talk is \$10 with an RSVP, \$15 without an RSVP, \$5 if coming for talk only. Please RSVP no later than the Sunday before the Disciples’ Night via Facebook event or email id916london@gmail.com. If you do not RSVP by the Sunday prior, you will not be on the RSVP list. February 2020 a new series begins called “Why Am I Still Catholic?”.

**Come and See Discernment Weekend Feb. 28 – Mar. 1 at St. Peter’s Seminary**  
St. Peter’s Seminary is holding a discernment retreat Feb. 28 – Mar. 1 and invites men 17 years old and older who are considering a call to the priesthood. This weekend offers a firsthand experience of the life of a seminarian, spiritual helps for discernment, and an opportunity to meet current seminarians and faculty. Contact Fr. Danny Santos, Director of Vocations at [vocations@dol.ca](mailto:vocations@dol.ca) for more information. To register visit [www.dolpriest.ca/registration](http://www.dolpriest.ca/registration).

### 2020 Annual Pure Life Summit

**Saturday, February 29th - 8:30 am - 10 pm**

**Theology of the Body** at St. André Bessette Catholic Secondary School, London

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All **high school, college and university students, young adults and parents** are invited to the 2020 Pure Life Summit - February 29th - **I Thirst: Know Jesus for He Longs to Know You.** Speakers: John & Katelyn Bishop from FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) and i.d.9:16 Michigan, also hear from Fr. Thom Blondin, Pastor of All Saints, Strathroy, Sacred Heart, Delaware & St. Charles, Glencoe. Come join us for this Annual event! Last year 300 in attendance! Cost is \$50/person (includes lunch & dinner) Register online at [famfi.ca/purelifesummit](http://famfi.ca/purelifesummit) or contact Connie at [cvanderheyden61@gmail.com](mailto:cvanderheyden61@gmail.com) for more info. Like us on Facebook page, FFI Pure Life Ministry to receive all the latest updates.

**CHRIST THE KING PARISH LENTEN RETREAT** on Sunday, March 1, 2020. Our speaker for the day will be Richard Pommainville, the Executive Director of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. Richard has shown his dedication to serving the poor both through his work at the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul and his years volunteering with Development and Peace, Caritas Canada. He will guide our reflection on the relationship between Catholic social teaching, charity, social justice and reflective living. Our Lenten retreat will begin at noon with a simple lunch in the Parish Hall at Windermere on the Mount. There is no cost for the day, but your RSVP is requested (so as to plan for food) to [lisa.caeiro@kings.uwo.ca](mailto:lisa.caeiro@kings.uwo.ca). The day will conclude with the 5:00 PM Eucharist in The Chapel at Windermere on the Mount.

Looking for healing? Closure? If you are divorced, separated, or civilly remarried, consider applying for a declaration of nullity (an “annulment”). The Roman Catholic Diocese of London would like to help you. If you are interested in a Declaration of Nullity or if you simply have questions, please give us a call at 519-439-1553. There is no obligation in calling, and the process is free of charge.