

## LITURGICAL WEEK

### WEEKEND MASSES:

5:00 PM Saturday  
10:00 AM Sunday  
4:30 PM Hungarian

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

7:00 PM Tuesday  
9:00 AM Wed - Friday

### CONFESSIONS:

6:30 PM Tuesday  
4:15 PM Saturday

### MARIAN DEVOTIONS:

7:00 P.M. Tuesday

### PARISH STAFF

#### Parish Priest

Fr. Adam Gabriel  
Michaelite Fathers

#### Convenor

Lynn Di Pinto

#### Secretary/Bookkeeper

Sherry Rowland

#### Custodian

Jack Minielly

#### Organist

Paul Hartman

### PERMANENT DEACON

Dk. Carol Tamas  
Dk. Leo Gulikers

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

#### Ex Officio Members:

Lynn DiPinto  
Brian Parsons

#### Members at Large:

Frank Baker  
Richard Doan  
Michael Downing  
Cindy Gulikers  
Paul Jahans  
Elaine Kocher  
Paul Tellier

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Paul Cuzzocrea  
Peter Di Pinto  
Paul Samuel

# SAINT PATRICK'S

## THE COMING WEEK

Mass Intentions for the week of January 7 - 12, 2020

<b>Monday, January 06</b>		<i>No Mass</i>
<b>Tuesday, January 07</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Int of Mike &amp; Liz Corriveau</b> † Marie Ouimette † Frank & May & Ron Henry <i>St. Andre Bessette (Novena Mass)</i> <i>1Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44</i>
<b>Wednesday, January 08</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Int of Lillian Lassaline</b> † Kevin Ward <i>1Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52</i>
<b>Thursday, January 09</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Int of Barbara Nethercott</b> † Frances Boone † Doris Teolis <i>1Jn 4:19-5:4; Lk 4:14-22</i>
<b>Friday, January 10</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	†Ottoivio & Marini & Silvia Gentile † Wayne Lutman <i>1Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16</i>
<b>Saturday, January 11</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>For Parishioners of St. Patrick</b> <b>Baptism of the Lord</b> <b>Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7; Acts 10:34-38; Matthew 3:13-17</b>
<b>Sunday, January 12</b>	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>For Parishioners of St. Patrick</b> <i>4:30 pm Int of the Hungarian Community</i>

### RECIPE FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Take twelve full grown months,  
free from old memories, bitterness, hate and jealousy.  
Cleanse them completely from pettiness.  
See that these months are freed from the past.  
Cut these months into 30 or 31 equal parts.  
The whole batch equals one year.  
If you try to make up the whole batch at once,  
you may spoil the whole thing.  
So, prepare one day at a time, according to this pattern:  
into each day put 12 parts of faith, 11 parts of hope, 10 parts of prayer,  
9 parts of kindness, 8 parts of patience, 7 parts of work,  
6 parts of fidelity, 5 parts of courage, 4 parts of generosity,  
3 parts of quiet meditation, 2 parts of good humour, fun and play.  
Pour love into the whole batch and  
mix with enthusiasm. Garnish with smiles and cheer.  
Follow these directions and a **Happy New Year** is guaranteed!



## Epiphany of the Lord - January 4/5, 2020

### Appearance of God to the World

Up until the 19th century, the Epiphany was more important than Christmas Day, and it was used to celebrate both the three kings' (or three wise men's) visit to Jesus shortly after his birth and also Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist.

In the West, Christians began celebrating the Epiphany in the 4th century, associating it with the visit of the Magi (the three kings) to Bethlehem.

According to the Gospel of Matthew, the three wise men - named Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar - followed the star of Bethlehem across the desert to meet the baby Jesus, offering gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

The gifts were symbolic of the importance of Jesus' birth, the gold representing his royal standing; frankincense his divine birth; and myrrh his mortality.

The word '**Epiphany**' comes from Greek and means '**manifestation**'. It celebrates 'the revelation of God in his Son as human in Jesus Christ'. The six Sundays which follow Epiphany are known as the time of manifestation; the last Sunday of the Epiphany is celebrated as Transfiguration Sunday.

Festivities for the ancient Christian feast day vary around the world, from swimming in icy waters to exchanging presents, fireworks and parades. In many countries the day is a public holiday.

In the Spanish speaking world, Epiphany is known as Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings' Day). In Mexico, crowds gather to taste the Rosca de Reyes - Kings' bread. In other countries, a Jesus figurine is hidden in the bread.

As recently as the 1950s, Twelfth Night in Britain was a night for wassailing. Wassailers, like carol singers, go from house to house singing and wishing their neighbours good health.

There is the Epiphany tradition that we mark the door with the first letters of the Three Wise Men: Caspar, Melchior, Balthazar (C+M+B+2020). We ask the Loving God, to bless this household. May we be blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness and abiding in your will. May Christ bless our home, and remain with us throughout the New Year.

May all that come to our home this year rejoice to find Christ living among us; and may we seek and serve, in everyone that we meet Jesus who is your incarnate Word.

**SUNDAY OFFERTORY**

December 28/29, 2019

Sunday Collection

New Year Collection



\$4,229.00

\$2,488.00

**FUNDSCRIP GIFT CARDS– FUNDRAISING**

Fundscrip is a fundraising program that lets **St. Patrick's** earn cash rebates on everyday purchases. Next order due **Sunday, January 5, 2020**. Pick up an order form from church.

**ST. PATRICK'S EUCHRE GROUP**

Next Euchre is on **Sunday, January 5** at 7pm in the parish hall. \$2.00 includes refreshments & prizes. All are welcome.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GROUP**

The next meeting of our St. Vincent de Paul will be held **Monday, January 6** at 3:00pm in the parish meeting room.

**MONTHLY PARISH SENIORS GROUP**

Join our **monthly** parish seniors group on Wednesday, **January 8** from 1-3pm in the parish hall for games & refreshments.

**CWL MEETING**

The next general meeting of St. Patrick's Catholic Women's League will be Tuesday, January 14 at 2:00pm in the parish hall.

**2020 COLLECTION ENVELOPES**

The sets of **2020** collection envelopes for our parishioners are available for pick up.

New parishioners who would like to support our church financially & get a set of envelopes – fill out a registration form available & take the set.

**PARISH WEBSITE – www.stpatrick.dol.ca**

St. Patrick's new website is "under construction"! We have a new look on our website [www.stpatrick.dol.ca](http://www.stpatrick.dol.ca). Check it out!

**PARISH STATISTICS FOR YEAR 2019**

A brief statistics of the Year 2019 Sacramental life in our parish:

We received into the church by Baptism 15 children and one adult. 20 children received 1st Confession and 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion. We confirmed 43 candidates from our parish. 1 couple celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage and 4 others were celebrated outside from our church. 33 funerals were conducted at our church. 60 people were anointed at a special Mass. We have about 825 registered families & individuals, 290 supporting us regularly with parish envelopes.

**FIRST COMMUNION MASS & MEETING**

First Communion is being offered to the children who are in Grade 2 or higher and the family belongs to St. Patrick's parish. Now registration is taking place & the classes will be held on **Saturdays from 10:00-11:30am** in the parish hall.

The **parents & the 1st Communion children** are invited to a special **Mass & meeting** on **Saturday, January 18 at 5:00pm**. Please bring the registration forms & copy of Baptismal Certificate to the meeting. The form can be obtained from our website.

**MARRIAGE PREPARATIONS**

Congratulations to all newly engaged couples! If you would like to get married in the Catholic Church & would like to learn more about the preparation process. Please call the parish office at least six months in advance to meet with Fr. Gabriel.

**Ste-MARGUERITE d'YOUVILLE-FUNDRAISER**

Ste. Marguerite d'Youville community is holding bilingual bingo on January 8 & 22 at Monseigneur-Bruyère School: 920 Huron St. (Huron & Barker) starting at 7pm.

**PRO-LIFE FILM - UNPLANNED**

Due to popular demand of the Pro-life film "**Unplanned**" a free screening & discussion on **Thursday, January 9** at 7:00pm in the Kenny Theatre, King's University.

**RETROUVAILLE – MARRIAGE CLASSES**

If you feel alone in your marriage, frustrated, or angry with your spouse, Retrouvaille can help. The next weekend is **January 17-19**, at the Michaelite Centre. More info: [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com)

**RIGHT TO LIFE – FUNDRAISER**

The London Area Right to Life presents a fundraising production of "The Downs" written & performed by Sheryl Scott on **Friday, January 17** at 7:30pm & Tickets \$40. For more info call 519-659-3334.

**MEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE**

All men & young men are being invited to the 8th Annual Men of Faith Conference --- **Saturday January 18, 2020** at St Michael's Church in London. The 2020 Vision – "Courage & Fortitude To Do His Will", will challenge you to grow in faith in the world today. More info: Mike 519-518-2025 ext 22.

**MASSES AT ST. PETER'S SEMINARY**

St. Peter's Seminary invites the public to an open Mass in the St. Thomas Aquinas Chapel **Sundays, January 19 & March 1** at 11:00am. Take this opportunity & visit the newly renovated Seminary.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2022 – PORTUGAL**

WYD will take place in Lisbon, Portugal, in the summer of 2022, the exact dates TBA. If you are interested: take a brief survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9WLP3B> & get on the email list. More information in this regard will be given later by the Diocese

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**

Today's feast continues the celebration of the astonishing mystery of God's manifestation to the very ends of the earth. The foreign visitors are the messengers of this divine intervention. The attempt by Herod to co-opt the visitors from the east into telling him the location of the birth of Jesus does not materialize. Once again a heavenly messenger intervenes and the Magi return home by a different route. The visitors from the east symbolize the extent of God's salvation as it unfolds for peoples of every land. As they offer gifts, as would be fitting a king, they announce to the world that an astonishing event has taken place; all peoples will know the glory of God.

As the calendar advances through the end of one year and the beginning of another, it is good to evaluate the past and anticipate the future. Christ wants to open us up to: new possibilities, new birth, new year & new life.

Our Christmas Season is slowly coming to an end with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. I would like to thank everyone for attending our Christmas Masses and the New Year's celebrations so beautifully. I could see the excitement on the faces of many. Thank you for your generous gift that you have given to the parish over the Christmas time. May God continue to bless you in New Year.

**VERITAS LECTURE SERIES**

The Veritas Lecture Series continues, Co-sponsored by the Ecumenical Commission of the Diocese of London at King's University on **Thursday, January 23** at 7:00pm. In the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, how is Jesus' prayer in John 17, "**That They May Be One**". Admission & parking is free. Info [kings.uwo.ca/campus-ministry/veritas-series](http://kings.uwo.ca/campus-ministry/veritas-series).