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LONDON EAST CENTRAL CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA - ST. MARY - ST. PATRICK

Mass Intentions for the week of August 15 - 21, 2022

Tuesday, August 16	7:00pm	Int of Deanne McAuliffe; Int of Joan Swiderski † Gillies Gervais † Fernand Gervais † John & Dean & Michelle Kelly
<i>Novena Mass & Benediction</i> <i>St. Stephen of Hungary</i>		
Wednesday, August 17	9:00am	† Lucille Drapeau † JoAnne Vandongen † Dudley Merritt † Marian & Edward Quirk
Thursday, August 18	9:00am	† deWit Family † Robert Couture
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Saturday, August 20	5:00pm	Intentions of Parishioners - St. Patrick's
Sunday, August 21	10:00am	Intentions of Parishioners - St. Patrick's

Mass Intentions for the week of August 22 - 28, 2022

Tuesday, August 23	7:00pm	Int of Mary Vella † Carmen Leitch † Chuck Bourgeois & Marie Ouimette
<i>Novena Mass & Benediction</i>		
Wednesday, August 24	9:00am	† deWit Family † Robert Couture
Thursday, August 25	9:00am	† Mike Murray † Patricia Baker
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Saturday, August 27	5:00pm	Intentions of Parishioners - St. Patrick's
Sunday, August 28	10:00am	Intentions of Parishioners - St. Patrick's

● **Bits and Pieces from Fr. Gabriel's desk** - I hope and pray that everyone is enjoying the summer months...the life in the parish is ticking nicely, the attendance at our 5:00pm and 10:00am Masses is very encouraging - parishioners are slowly returning back to attending the Mass in person.

On **Sunday, September 11 - the Michaelite Fathers** will be celebrating the outdoor Mass in Melrose to honour St. Michael the Archangel - the Patron Saint of the Congregation. Everyone is invited to attend the Mass at 4:00pm at the Michaelite's Centre - 2751 Sunningdale Rd West, London. After Mass there will be time for socializing and fellowship with tasty Polish paczki.

● **Maintenance around the Church** - During the summer we have taken care of many things inside the Church as well as around the Church property: the security system (alarm) has been upgraded both in the Church and the Rectory; outside water taps had been replaced and secured; some of the smaller trees around the Church and parking lot have been removed or trimmed, still the large tree by the Rectory is under inspection with the intention of being removed (old age).

● **Watch for the launch of our new giving program called Pllenty using your credit card.**

Sacraments of First Confession and First Communion

As your child begins 2nd grade, he/she also enters into a very special year in his/her faith journey. With great joy and anticipation, our Family of Parishes looks forward to working closely with you, the parents, to prepare your child for his/her First Confession and First Communion.

As your child's first and foremost teacher of the faith, your help and support are crucial!

Our 2022/23 program will consist of two steps: **1.** Sessions for Parents **2.** Sessions for Children
Parents of children, who have been baptized in the Roman Catholic faith are invited to join one of the three cycles of formation that we will be offering in the fall. Upon successful completion of the program, parents will be able to register their son/daughter for the formation sessions for children.

Registration for Parent's sessions is available at our website www.FamilyOfParishes.ca under the "Registration" menu and is called "Registration for Sacramental Celebrations."

Sacrament of Confirmation

During this school year, your sons and daughters who are in grade eight are invited to participate in another milestone in their faith journey. Youth, who have been baptized in the Catholic faith, are invited to prepare for their Sacrament of Confirmation.

With great joy and anticipation, our Family of Parishes looks forward to working closely with you, the parents, to provide this formation. As your child's first and foremost teacher of the faith, your help and support are crucial!

Our 2022/23 program will consist of two steps: **1.** Sessions for Confirmation Candidates
2. Sessions for Parents of Confirmation Candidates

Registration for Confirmation Candidates formation is now open and will **close on September 19, 2022**. Registration forms are available at our website www.FamilyOfParishes.ca under the "Registration" menu, under a link called "Registration for Sacramental Celebrations."

Consider becoming a Catholic - RCIA program

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, our Family of Parishes is offering the RCIA program (The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). The program prepares people for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist by providing a personal journey that leads to a transformation of mind and spirit. Guided by the Gospel and by the examples set by the Church members, newcomers find their place in the community of believers. Inquiry sessions will begin in September. For more information speak with Fr. Gabriel or email to mkorzec@dol.ca - our Pastoral Minister.