



St. Jerome Roman Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Tuesday to Thursday: 8:30am - 4:30pm
Friday: 8:30am - 12:00pm

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am
11:00am

Young People's Church

Sunday: 11:00am

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 7:00pm

Wednesday: 9:15am

Thursday: 9:15am

Friday: 9:15am

Confession Times

Tuesday: 6:00pm - 6:30pm

Saturday: 3:00pm - 3:30pm

Also available by appointment

Parish News, Calendar, Catholic Resources, Prayers,
Readings and up-to-date information available at:



www.stjeromeparishssm.com

and



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PARISH INFORMATION

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated after a preparation programme is completed. Phone the office or fill out online form to register.

Marriages

Please contact the parish priest at least six months in advance of the intended date of marriage.

Sacrament of the Sick

Celebrated on the First Wednesday of the month at the 9:15am Mass. Also available by appointment.

Vocations to the Priesthood/Religious Life

Please speak to the Pastor or visit: www.beapriest.ca or www.csjssm.ca

Parish Prayer Line

Please call Connie Celli at 705-945-7034 to add your intentions to our prayer list.

24/7 On-Call Priest

Please notify the chaplain, nurse or nursing home coordinator to contact the priest on-call.

Communion to Shut-Ins

Please notify the parish office.

Bulletin Submissions

Deadline for submissions *to be considered* for printing is Wednesday morning. Please note that *all submissions may be edited* for space purposes.

Financial Donation Options:

- 1) Through traditional envelopes
 - 2) Pre-Authorized Debit Plan
 - 3) Online on our website
- Please contact the parish office.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 19, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Tuesday, February 21 - 7:00 PM

Sirach 2.1-11; Mark 9.30-37

Rita Charron by St. Jerome C.W.L.

Wednesday, February 22 - 9:15 AM

Feast Chair of St. Peter, Apostle

1 Peter 5.1-4; Matthew 16.13-19

Thursday, February 23 - 9:15 AM

Memorial St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr

Sirach 5.1-8; Mark 9.41-50

Friday, February 24 - 9:15 AM

Sirach 6.5-17; Mark 10.1-12

Rita Charron by Larry & Maryon Young

Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Isaiah 49.14-15; 1 Corinthians 4.1-5; Matthew 6.24-34

Saturday, February 25

4:00 PM - Intentions of All Parishioners by The Pastor

Sunday, February 26

9:00 AM - Christopher Hope by Mom Helen Hope

- **Kerry Coventry** by Ken & Kerry Dutchak

- **Robert & Arvella Frech, Francis & Lois MacNamara** by Sean & Gail MacNamara

11:00 AM - Deceased Members of the Lauzon Family by

The Lauzon Family

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

Sunday Feb 12,2017:	(including loose)(144/317 envelopes)	\$ 3,266.17
	Pre-authorized Sunday:	\$ 1,518.75
	Building Fund:	\$ 1,505.00
	Pre-authorized Building Fund:	\$ 45.00
	Online Giving:	\$ 51.87
	TOTAL:	\$ 6,386.79

*thank
you*

Budgeted Weekly Income Needed: \$5,600.00

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

PARISH PANCAKE BREAKFAST


Join us for the best deal in town on Sunday, February 26 after the 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses. Only \$5 for Adults and children under 10 years of age with a parent or adult are free!

Come and enjoy!



SIMPLY THE BEST



Our Valentine's Day Bake Sale after Sunday Masses last week was a combined effort of the whole parish. The overwhelming amount of delicious, donated baking received & the successful sale, clearly shows how well we pray, work and play together. Thank you. 

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2017

Please join us with other east end churches to celebrate World Day of Prayer at **St. Andrews United Church**, at 712 Wellington Street East, on Friday March 3, 2:00 pm. Theme is "Am I Being Unfair To You?". Written by the WDP committee of the Philippines. Guest speaker Rose-Marie Valade. Free will offering only & light refreshments served after the service. Welcome all.

LEADERS NEEDED YOUNG PEOPLE'S CHURCH

We need 2 leaders in each of the 3 groups: Pre-school to SK, Grade 1-3, and Grade 4-6. You don't need to be a teacher or a theology expert. Material is available to you. Prayerfully consider if this ministry is for you. Men, women, parents, grandparents, older teens-there is a place for all. Contact Christie Currie at 705-254-0643 or at curriec@adsb.ca for more info or talk with Fr. Pat, Fr. Daniele or any of the current leaders at Mass.



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

We are in need of volunteers to help distribute Holy Communion at all of our weekend liturgies. Duties include assisting in distributing the real body and blood of Jesus to those gathered at Mass. If you can assist in this precious ministry, please contact Carol Sweeney at 705-253-6689 or speak with Fr. Pat or Fr. Daniele. Training will be provided.



LOYOLA: SIX WEEKS WITH THE BIBLE

This Lent we will resume **Bible Study** using the Loyola Program. A group meets on Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:00 pm. If this time is not convenient and you want to start up your own group OR to study independently, we'll help you get started. If interested, contact Burnie Thorp at bjthorp@shaw.ca or 705-949-1724. Please register by **February 22** to allow ordering of materials. No late registrations will be taken. Cost is \$12 (or what you can offer). Wednesdays group will begin March 8 until April 12.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 22, 2017
Seniors & Friends
10:00 am

February 22, 2017
**Together in Christ:
Catholics and Lutherans in
Dialogue Session #4**
7:00pm - 9:00pm
at Zion Lutheran Church

February 23, 2017
EDGE Night
7:00 pm
All Grade 6, 7 & 8's
welcome!

February 25, 2017
Intercessory Prayer
9:00 am—Please join us for a
half-hour of prayer and
fellowship as we pray for
our community.

February 26, 2017
Pancake Breakfast
After 9:00 & 11:00 Masses

February 26, 2017
Gospel Jam
1:00-3:00 pm in Meeting
Room # 4

February 26, 2017
**Together in Christ:
Catholics and Lutherans in
Dialogue Final Session # 5**
1:00– 3:00 pm at St. Jerome
Church

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN

Reminder on Saturday, March 4, 2017 at 9:30 am, learn effective public speaking techniques. Bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee & tea available throughout the day. Pre-registration not necessary. Hope to see you there.



We remember in our prayers, those who have died, especially **Rita Charron**. May her soul and the souls of all our faithful departed rest in peace.



Continues February 23rd - 7:00 pm

Welcome all Students from Grades 6, 7 & 8!

EDGE Social Night

"Mardi Gras Party"



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AND MORE SNOW...Reminder we must keep areas clear for **emergency vehicles & para bus**. Please park on lower level if able. Like you, we are struggling with all the snow, but access must be available in case of emergency. Thanks for your co-operation.

IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A PRIEST?

"COME & SEE"!

Have you ever felt that God was calling you to something more?

Have you ever considered the possibility of the priesthood?

Spend a weekend in prayer, discussion and reflection with priests, faculty and seminarians

at **St. Peter's Seminary in**

London, Ontario, on March 24-26, 2017. This weekend is open to all single men 17 years of age and older. For more information or to register, please contact your parish priest or Fr. Pat Woods, Vocations Director, at 705-949-1072 or email: pwoods@diocesecentre.com



PRIESTHOOD
CONSIDER THE CALL

WEEKLY PRAYER REFLECTION

What Can I Do Before Lent Begins? (Part 1 of 2)

Anything worth doing is worth preparing for.

Just imagine that this Lent is going to be different from every other Lent we've experienced. Imagine that there will be many graces offered me this year. Let's even imagine that God is going to help transform our lives, with greater freedom, greater joy, deeper desires for love and service. If we want it, we will choose it. Lent will be this wonderful season of grace for us if we give ourselves to it. And, we will give ourselves to it to the degree we really want it badly. So, in these days before Lent, we need to prepare our hearts. We need to prepare by realizing how much we want to grow in freedom, how much we need to lighten our spirits and experience some real joy, and how much some parts of our lives really need changing. So, preparing our hearts is a process of preparing our desires. This means practicing our sense of anticipation. If I imagine Lent as an "ordeal" or a time I dread in some way, then I've already pre-disposed myself to not get very much out of it. These days before Lent are a time to start anticipating something wonderful that is about to happen.

Our Focus: On what God wants to give us.

Our sense of excitement and anticipation will grow more easily if we begin to imagine what God wants to give us. There is really something coming that we can truly look forward to. If we get too focused on ourselves, and what we are going to do or not do, we could risk missing the gift God wants to give us. We have to keep aware of the fact that grace comes from God. This is about God's great desire to bless us. Then, it is easier for us to imagine that what we really want to do is place ourselves in a space to receive what God wants to give us.

Not starting from a dead stop.

Taking some time to get ready for Lent will ensure that we aren't going to miss the first week or two of Lent, because we are just getting started. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, but we want to be ready to really take off on that day, rather than just beginning to think about Lent on that day. Part of what makes a vacation or a special anniversary so special is the build-up to it. Before we get to Ash Wednesday, we should start asking ourselves some questions and we should start with some preparations. "What does God want to give me this year?" This question may require that I slow down a bit and listen to my inner spirit. For example, even if I'm very busy, I realize I'm hungry when I hear my stomach start "growling." "What am I going to be doing on Ash Wednesday?" Too often, Ash Wednesday is like every other day, except that I manage to get to church and get ashes on my forehead. Is there anything else I can do on Ash Wednesday? How will fasting and abstaining happen for me, for my family on that special day?

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