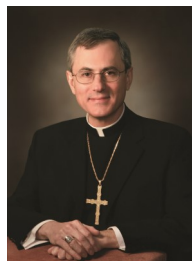




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To: The Faithful of the Diocese of London

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In June 2017, at the conclusion of the Jubilee of Mercy, Pope Francis offered the Church a World Day of the Poor, "so that throughout the world Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ's charity for the least and those most in need."

Inspired by Jesus' preferential love for the poor, as well as by the example set by Pope Francis, I have chosen the third World Day of the Poor, November 17, 2019, as the day to launch the **Pope Francis Fund for the Poor**.

Thanks to the sale of surplus land adjacent to St. Peter's Seminary, I am able to commit one million dollars to this fund on behalf of all the faithful of the Diocese. The money will be invested in an endowment fund. The proceeds earned will be given annually to agencies, carefully selected through a grant application process, that directly serve the needs of people who are underprivileged.

In the Pope Francis Fund for the Poor, it is my goal that our faith community is taking concrete action to serve those who are struggling to meet their basic human needs. It is a public declaration that we must take to heart the words of Jesus; "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me" (Matthew 25:40).

The endowment will be a continuing source of assistance for those in need, as well as a reminder that we are truly missionary disciples of Christ. One million dollars is a considerable sum, but it is only a seed. I urge every parish and every individual in the Diocese to consider how each of us is able to help our brothers and sisters in need. As your bishop, I warmly invite you to join this collective effort by making a donation to the Pope Francis Fund for the Poor.

Pope Francis ends his letter with these words: "This new *World Day*, therefore, should become a powerful appeal to our consciences as believers, allowing us to grow in the conviction that sharing with the poor enables us to understand the deepest truth of the Gospel. The poor are not a problem: they are a resource from which to draw as we strive to accept and practise in our lives the essence of the Gospel."

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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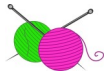
Sunday Missals for 2019/2020

Sunday Missals are now available for sale in the Narthex at the Welcome Desk after all weekend masses. Cost is \$5.00 per missal.



CATHEDRAL CAFÉ

"Coffee & Goodies" will be served in the Narthex after each Mass next weekend on November 23 & 24. Please stop by and say "Hi!"



Prayer Shawl Meeting

The next meeting is November 21st at 7pm until 8:30pm in room 106. Everyone that enjoys crocheting or knitting is welcome to attend.



CWL Membership Drive

Called, Wanted, Loved - St. Peter's CWL will be holding their annual membership drive this weekend in the Narthex. Please come out and meet members of St. Peter's CWL, renew your membership or become a new member.

**SAVE
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DATE**

"A Night Before the Oscars®"
Saturday February 8, 2020.
More information to come.

Knights of Columbus

Hurry - this is your last week to buy tickets !

Elimination Draw -

St. Peter's Knights of Columbus is pleased to present the Elimination Draw and evening of entertainment, Sat. Nov 23 2019 in St. Peter's Parish Centre from 6:30 pm to Midnight. For \$25 per ticket you will enjoy a buffet dinner, cash bar, live music and dancing. A portion of the proceeds raised will support the Parish and Parkwood Institute's "Veterans Tree of Caring"

Prizes - Last Ticket \$1000, 2nd last \$500, 3rd Last \$100 & 9 additional prizes of \$50.

Tickets are available in the Parish Office from Mon - Fri 9 am - 4 pm. For further details or tickets you can contact Dave Houghton email -houghtonde@gmail.com / ph: 519-851-7766 or Roger Khouri email roger@roger.ca / ph: 519-280-1643.



Grieving Through the Holidays

St. George Parish Bereavement Team is hosting a lunch and gathering called "Grieving Through the Holidays" on Sunday December 1st at 12pm to 2pm in the St. George Parish Hall. We welcome Camillia Galezowski, Supportive Care Coordinator and Chaplain at Stedman Community Hospice in Brantford. \$10 registration fee, includes light lunch and gathering. Register online www.stgeorgelondon.ca or at the parish office. The deadline for registration is Friday November 22, 2019. For more information, please visit www.stgeorgelondon.ca or call the parish office at 519-471-4220.

Discovering Mindfulness

Tuesday November 26, 2019

**Roman Roadhouse - St. George Parish
at the Byron Legion Hall
1276 Commissioners Road West)
7pm Social/7:30pm Talk/9pm End**

Does life ever get too busy or just too much? Do you sometimes feel overburdened and just running in circles? How can we slow down and become more mindful of where we are and where we are going? Join us in November as we welcome Steven Gougoulas, as he helps us become more mindful, aware and accepting in the day to day journey of our lives!

Offertory Needed

\$11,850

**Breakdown of Offertory
Collected**

Envelopes

\$5,341

Offertory Received

November 10, 2019

\$11,045

Cash & Cheques

\$2,888

Surplus or (Shortfall)

-\$805

Pre-Authorized

\$2,816

In this week's bulletin, you will notice the reporting of the collection has changed. We previously reported the weekly envelope amount, weekly cash & cheques and the monthly preauthorized amount. In the chart above, we have indicated the offertory needed (budgeted offertory for the week). Offertory received (the total amount of envelopes, cash and cheques, preauthorized giving) for a one week period. The surplus/(shortfall) is the difference between offertory needed and offertory received. We believe this is a more accurate reflection of our weekly collection and our weekly budgeted needs.

Occasionally those who do evil prosper and get the upper hand. When this happens we can allow ourselves to be strengthened by the vision of Malachi in today's First Reading that speaks of God's justice to come in the future. We live with hope and do not give in to the despair and pessimism that might cause us to give up on ourselves, our world, and even our church that suffers from wounds. Of course we never give up on God. What do you and I get most discouraged about our world today? Do we ever get discouraged about our own lives? What or who brings us hope?

We are always working on our life of prayer and how not only to "do it" but live in it as well. Sr. Joan Chittister reminds us "The function of prayer is not to establish a routine; it is to establish a relationship with God who is in relationship with us always... The function of prayer is to bring us into touch with ourselves, as well. To the ancients, "tears of anxiety" were the sign of a soul that knew its limits, faced its sins, accepted its needs, and lived in hope."



TUNE IN to Mental Health

Anxiety, stress, and depression are on the increase in the lives of the young. To help us, the Family and Youth Ministry office is bringing in licensed counselor, award-winning author, and devoted Catholic speaker, Roy Petitfils to offer Roy will offer an evening presentation for parents and others. The talks will be at Visitation Parish, Comber on Monday, Dec. 9, and at Holy Trinity Parish, Woodstock, on Tuesday, Dec. 10. Both talks are from 7 – 8:30 pm. Admission is free but registration at dol.ca/tune-in is appreciated.

Believing in a Holy and Sinful Church Dr. Brian Flanagan

November 21 @ 7:00pm

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In the face of growing awareness of clerical sexual abuse and other systematic forms of malfeasance in the Catholic Church, many Catholics have swung from uncritical belief in the holiness of the Church to disappointed awareness of its deep sinfulness. Flanagan argues both sin and sanctity condition the nature of the Church until its fulfillment in the Reign of God. In our time and contexts, we need a more robust language of ecclesial sin in order to address our Church's failings, and yet at the same time a sound ecclesiology will take account of a church that is sinful and holy.

CELEBRATION OF WEEKDAY LITURGY

Monday, November 18 - 12:05pm

Steve Dittrich; Intentions of Frances Dittrich;
Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 19 - 7:30am

Beatriz de Fraga; Beatrice Martinelli;
Intentions of Fredelle Richardson

Wednesday, November 20- 12:05pm

Sara & Sebastiano Valastro; Daniel Charles Maloney;
Jeanine Bondy

Thursday, November 21- 7:30am

Fr. Stephen Bodnar; Kathleen Brunton;
Intentions of Petra & Nick Beaulieu

Friday, November 22 - 12:05pm

Mike & Betty McCaffrey; Vittorio Valastro;
Lucia Mazzotta

We remember in prayer all those who are sick, including Shari Houghton. We also pray for those who have died, including Mike McCaffrey, brother-in-law of Rose Mary Cleary; Darren Chesworth; Carlos Ardila-Barrera, son of Carlos and Martha, brother of Andrea, Jorge, and Teresa, and comfort for those who mourn.

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

Mr. Ron MacDonald, Pastoral Minister;
Rev. Mark Gazin, C.S.B.; Rev. Dikran Islemeci;
Mrs. Faye Brekelmans, Parish Nurse;
Rev. Etienne Nadonye, O.F.M.Cap.;
Deacon Don Hamelin; Deacon Andrew Labrosse

READINGS - SUNDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2019

First Reading - 2 Samuel 5.1-3

The elders anointed David as king over Israel.

Psalms - Ps 122.1-2, 3-4a, 4b-5, (R. see 1)++

R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

Second Reading - Colossians 1.12-20

God has transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.

Gospel - Luke 23.35-43

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Mass for the Unborn

Mass for the unborn will be held on Friday December 27, 2019 at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica, beginning with the Rosary/Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 7:00pm and followed by Mass at 7:30pm. Bishop Ronald Fabbro will preside. This special celebration is sponsored by the Catholic Women's League and the Knights of Columbus. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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