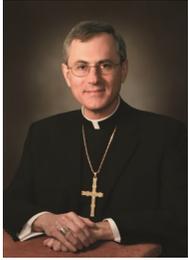




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**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
September 26, 2021**



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## Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 PM

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## Daily Mass

Wednesday 12 Noon

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## Path to Reconciliation

“There seems to be so much conflict and division in our world, our church, our country, our communities, our families, and if we are honest, even within ourselves. How do we address these divisions, and how do we work toward resolution, reconciliation, and unity?”

The Spirit, like the wind, blows where it wills. No human, no “side,” if you will, is able to claim that they have the Spirit and the other does not; this is what Moses and Jesus tell us in the Scriptures. Can we acknowledge that others, even those we disagree with, also have the Spirit of God with and in them?. Without this acknowledgment, we will never be able to move forward together. We have all been baptized as Priest, Prophet and King: Do we believe this? We have been confirmed and commissioned to preach the Word of God by the way we live. Do we believe this?

But even this fact of baptism and confirmation doesn't corral the Spirit for us, or give us a corner on the Spirit. Even good people of other faiths can have the Spirit of God in and with them, and do good works! Can we believe this?

There are clearly sad divisions in our Church and in the World. We have seen so many of these in the news recently. Can we work toward resolution, reconciliation and unity? St. Paul tells us that this should not depend on power or material wealth, but on the Spirit within, given to ALL for a reason. All have been given of the same Spirit, but not all have received the same Gifts. Each has been given gifts for some specific reason. This variety of gifts, if used rightly, can move us towards a unity even with this diversity.

We must be willing to work towards unity, not unanimity, with a sense of harmony. St. Augustine doesn't say that we all must agree on everything and see things the same way, no, he encourages us to live “harmoniously” in your house, being of One Mind and One Heart on the way to God! It means that we must agree that our Goal is the same... GOD...but how we get there is different for each of us.

Let us focus on that which unites us, and not on our different approaches. Let us strive to let our differences create a harmony instead of discord. Let us put away the “my way or the high way attitude,” and claim our status as Priest, Prophet and King who have been anointed with the Spirit and commissioned to contribute to the building up of the community of God, not tear it apart with petty jealousy that creates conflict and division.

The Eucharist is called the Sacrament of Love, the sign of our unity! In Eucharistic Prayer II for Reconciliation we hear, “For though the human race is divided by dissension and discord, yet we know that by testing us you change our hearts to prepare them for reconciliation. Even more, by your Spirit you move human hearts so that enemies may speak to each other again, adversaries may join hands, and peoples may seek to meet together in peace.” May our reception of the Eucharist today, move us to live in this way!”

*Excerpt from Reflection on the 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr. B, Bernie Scianna, O.S.A.; [augustinian.org](http://augustinian.org)*

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## Celebrating 100 Years-Michaelite Fathers

The Congregation of St. Michael the Archangel, known as the Michaelite Fathers, are celebrating the 100 Year Jubilee of their official recognition by the Church. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at St. Peter's Cathedral Basilica on Sunday, September 26 at 4:00 p.m. The presider of this Mass will be Most Rev. Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB, Bishop of London and the homilist will be Most Rev. Joseph Dabrowski, C.S.M.A., Auxiliary Bishop of London. Concelebrating will be the priests of the Michaelite Fathers ministering in North America. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, attendance at this celebration will be by invitation only, but the mass will be livestreamed on our YouTube channel or click [here](#). Please keep in your prayers all the members of The Michaelite Fathers Religious community ministering in our Diocese and around the world. Blessed Bronislaw Markiewicz, founder of this Congregation, pray for us!

## National Truth and Reconciliation Day – September 30, 2021

On September 30th Canadians will mark National Truth and Reconciliation Day (Orange Shirt Day). The day honours the lost children and survivors of residential schools, their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process.

Our faith reminds us that we are disciples of Jesus, “the way the truth and the life,” (Jn 14:6) who are called to seek reconciliation with all. This day gives us the opportunity to acknowledge the role the Church played in running the government’s residential schools and the devastating impact they had on Indigenous people. As Bishop Fabbro stated on May 31st, “we must continue to learn from these failings and work with Indigenous communities towards the healing called for by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Seeking truth means that we are open to learning more.

The Springbank Catholic Family of Parishes continues their 10 week speaker series entitled Truth, Reconciliation and Healing: Each week Each week will cover a different topic and speakers present will come from both Indigenous and settler communities. These gatherings will take place in the Parish Hall at St. George's, beginning at 7:00 pm and concluding by 9:00 pm. Registration will be required, whether you would like to attend these talks in person or virtually. Registration is available through the parish website <https://springbankcatholic.ca/truthandreconciliation/> or by calling the parish office at 471-4220.

## CCCB Liturgy Webinar

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishop’s Episcopal Commission for Liturgy and the Sacraments is pleased to announce the upcoming National Liturgy Webinar entitled Eucharistic Transformation: Communion, Service, Mercy. The webinar has been inspired by the November 10, 2018 address of Pope Francis to Participants in the Plenary Assembly of the Pontifical Committee for International Eucharistic Congresses. Daily sessions led by award-winning author, Father Gilbert Ostdiek, O.F.M., will explore how attitudes of communion, service and mercy contribute to the development of a Eucharistic culture. Information about this event and registration can be found on the CCCB website at <https://www.cccb.ca/liturgy-sacraments/resources-in-english/national-liturgy-webinar/>. For more information, please contact Christina Ronzio, Director, National Liturgy Office at: [c.ronzio@ccb.ca](mailto:c.ronzio@ccb.ca).



## Celebrating the Sacraments

With the new school year beginning, many families are looking at sacramental preparation for their children. Sacramental Preparation will be offered for all those preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation (Confession) and First Communion (age 7/Grade 2). Over the past number of years we have offered this preparation as an “at-home” experience with parents assisting their children in their preparation with parish supplied resources. Preparation is open to children in the separate or public school system. Preparation materials will be available mid-October. For more information and to register, please contact Cathryn Hall.

Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation (age 14/Grade 8) for students currently in Grade 8 will be announced in the new year. We hope to return to our traditional practice of celebrating this sacrament at Pentecost, preparation taking place during the Easter Season.



## St. Michael's Social Justice Ministry

Are you troubled by injustice and want to be a voice for the vulnerable? St. Michael's Social Justice Ministry is seeking new members. Rooted in Gospel values and the Church’s social teaching, the Ministry strives to heighten the faith community’s consciousness of societal needs in order to facilitate an effective response to these needs. The Ministry does this primarily through educational initiatives. Meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of the month at St. Michael's (currently via Zoom). All are welcome. Please contact St. Michael's office at 519-433-6689.



## Development & Peace Fall Campaign Workshop invitation for London

Please join the Development and Peace workshop introducing us to the Fall Campaign.

**What:** People and Planet First! Fall Action Campaign Workshop.  
**Who:** Development and Peace - Caritas Canada's London Diocesan Council  
**Where:** Zoom—register at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84451234567>  
**When:** Wednesday, October 6 from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. If this date doesn't work for you, you're welcome to join another region. Please contact [pastoralservicesadmin@dol.ca](mailto:pastoralservicesadmin@dol.ca) for alternatives.



## Parish Centre Update

Beginning September 22, 2021, in conjunction with the Provincial mandate for “meeting and event spaces and facilities used for sports and fitness activities”, anyone entering St. Peter's Parish Centre will need to provide proof of full vaccination status with either a Health Canada or CDC authorized vaccine.

If you require more information, please contact our Business Manager, Brian Galea.



## From the Desk of the Rector

Our parish pastoral team recently met our counterparts at St. Michael's Parish to discuss the upcoming activation of our new family of parishes. You have heard about this for the past few years as the process has unfolded throughout the Diocese of London. Our meeting was productive and informative. More detailed communication will be shared in the new year but I would like to give you an overview of where the process will take us. The timeline in place involves three phases. Phase 1 will take us to December, 2021 and involves finding ways for both parishes to connect informally and get to know each other better. There has always been a "lot of traffic" between our two parishes for Masses, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and other events. Phase 2 will run from December 2021 to June 2022. In January, 2022 a pastor and 2 other priests assigned to the family will be named. Currently, along with pastoral team members, are two full-time priests at each parish. At this time planning and preparation will begin in earnest. Phase 3 will begin in July, 2022 when the family will be officially activated.

Phase 2 will see the bulk of the transition unfold. During this period activity will include but not be limited to the following tasks:

- A transition team will be formed with representation of pastoral team members and staff. Parishioners-at-large from both parishes will be invited to join.
- There will be a retreat for the priests who are assigned to the family on January 18-19, 2022.
- The transition team will execute a communications plan.

- A name for the family will be selected. Each parish will keep its own name.
- Current parish councils will not operate during this period.
- Finance Committees will continue in place until the end of June. A new Finance Committee for the family will be named in July, 2022.
- A pastoral plan for the family will be developed.
- Parishioners will be asked to pray for the success of the transition.
- A personnel plan will be developed through discussions with staff and team members.
- Office location will be decided.
- A financial plan will be developed.

These are some of the preliminary plans and you will be kept informed of all and any new considerations.

There will be many opportunities for input from every parishioner who chooses to do so throughout the process.

If you have any questions or comments please connect with me at 519-432-3475 ext. 228 or [jmockler@dol.ca](mailto:jmockler@dol.ca).

In the long history of the church we have experienced the power of God's Spirit work wonders in and through the lives of the first disciples; the power of this same Spirit has accomplished the same in and through the lives of believers down through the ages. What wonders will the spirit work in and through us as we come more to understand who we are as a parish and a church in our present age? Stay tuned...

*Fr. Jim Mockler*

### REQUESTED MASS INTENTIONS

**September 29—Wednesday 12 PM**

Intns of Nick & Petra Beaulieu;  
Intns of Adam, Lucas & Marek Beaulieu;  
In Thanksgiving & Intentions of the  
Tangcangco & Agor Families

*We remember in prayer* all those who are sick. We also pray for those who have died including Dorothy May Clark, sister of Ray Thomson; and comfort those who mourn.

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

Rev. Paul Duplessie, O.F.M. Cap.; Deacon Matt Sutton; Rev. Christopher Pietraszko; Rev. Vince Gulikers; Rev. Richard Charrett; Deacon John White; Deacon Cap Van Au

### Reservations for Weekend Masses

Reservations for the weekend masses are still necessary. Each week we have many "no shows" or those with reservations arriving very close to or after Mass has begun. A reminder that all those with reservations must arrive **no later than 15 minutes before mass** for registration, prescreening check, and seating. Once the 15 minutes has passed we give away the reserved seats to those arriving without a reservation. Those arriving without a reservation are not guaranteed a seat. No one will be seated after mass has begun. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

### READINGS FOR OCTOBER 3, 2021

#### TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading - Genesis 2.7ab, 15, 18-24

Responsorial - Ps 128.1-2, 3, 4-5 (R. 5)

*R. May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.*

Second Reading - Hebrews 2.9-11

Gospel - Mark 10.2-16



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