



St. Michael's Messenger

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Our mission: To raise joyful disciples of Jesus Christ to become apostles.

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Weekday Mass Times: Mon, Tue, Thurs and Fri 8:30 am, Wed 9:30 am

Weekend Mass Times: Saturday 5 pm & Sunday 10 am

Spanish Mass every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month at 1pm

Confessions: Saturday 4:00- 4:30 or call the parish office to make an appointment.

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist are available to bring the Holy Eucharist to parishioners who are homebound. Please contact the church office to be included in this service.



COFFEE SUNDAY is May 3rd
Join us after 10 am mass for coffee and a treat in our Hospitality Room
ALL ARE WELCOME!

*And Mary said,
"My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; Luke 46-48*

St. Michael's Parish conferred Sacraments on 8 people at our Easter Vigil Mass. Congratulations to all! Thanks be to God!"

A few words from a couple of our new Catholics....

OCIA was very revealing; there were a lot of things that I thought I knew about Catholicism but through the program I found out what the truth really was. I have a new discovery in my faith since having received the sacraments and I am intrigued to be on this new journey. **Elliott**

The Easter vigil was a night where I felt spiritually full in the best way possible. I genuinely felt that I was being born into a new life that I had never anticipated and wished that the night didn't have to end.

As a new Catholic having received the sacraments, I know now what I didn't know before; that every single experience in my life both good and bad was preparing me for receiving the Eucharist. My foundation in our faith is now immovable, and the sacraments felt like a new birth into something much bigger than me. **Haiden**

The Diocesan Pastoral Plan

Behold! A word packed with power. When we encounter it in Scripture, we know something of great import - of biblical proportions - is to follow. So... Behold! The visionary Pastoral Plan prayerfully developed by the Diocese Leadership Team! A document packed with life-changing information that simply cannot be ignored. So powerful is its potential impact upon our Parishes that "hearts shall be set on fire with God's love." When this happens, so shall our communities, our provinces, our nation, our world! The possibilities are limitless for we have a Lord that knows no bounds and, as our Mighty Counselor and Savior, empowers each of us, young or old, to live out our baptismal calling through the gifts that the Spirit has equipped us with. It is our opportunity to engage in the joy of the Lord in yet untapped ways. To grow as fruitful disciples individually and corporately as we recapture the light and energy of the first century Church.

The Diocesan process of initiating a new awakening of faith for both its clergy and its laity is contained in the aforementioned visionary document. In the spirit of collaboration, "Light From Light" calls all the faithful within its boundaries to use their God-given abilities for the whole of the Church community. Recognizing that so much good was yet to be done, the Diocese captured ways of bringing parishes into fruit-bearing relationship with Christ and, ultimately, to expand that blessed bond to the unchurched, as well as to the increasing number of "de-churched" believers. The Good News for St. Michael's is that this initiative has already been highly successful for this Parish has been instrumental in leading the charge. We are the tip of what the Apostle Paul calls "the sword of the Spirit" providing encouragement for others to step out and be missionally focused, skill up lay leaders, engage in collaborative ministries and find ways to establish financial health.

It is impossible to summarize in this space the countless ways people of this Parish are already involved through their gracious efforts, openness to new things, compassionate giving, and ever-growing commitment to God's call upon their lives. Nothing can truly happen in this Parish without such discipleship... nor can the world be saved without it. These are exciting times for we are presented with a way to more fully live out our critical role in God's plan for salvation. So...

Behold! St. Michael's Parish where God's amazing works are transforming people into disciples equipped for mission and ministry!
Onward and Upward!

A Grateful Disciple

P.S. "Help yourself to a free copy of the Pastoral Plan that is coming soon to a parish near you!"

Alpha continues...
Please pray for our Guests and the Alpha team as they continue their journey in faith together on Thursday evenings.

The CWL invites all ladies to join us for the **Crowning of Our Blessed Mother Mary** Monday May 11th @ 6:30 pm.



Coffee and cake to follow in the hospitality room.

Please bring a flower.

We will meet in the hospitality room and then process into the church for the crowning of Mary and the Rosary

Encounter Ministries
Preparing our Hearts for Pentecost



Praise, Prayer and Healing Ministry
Friday, May 22 From 6:30 To 8:30 pm
Parish Hall

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
For daily mass intentions please consult our website stmichaelfe.com	For prayer requests or any ideas for our next newsletter please contact Hospitality Ministry at nellavan51@gmail.com				1 Mass 8:30am St Joseph and St Pius V	2 St Anthanasius Confession 4-4:30 Mass 5:00pm
3 Mass 10:00am Coffee Sunday ☺ First Holy Communion 1:00 pm	4 Mass 8:30am St Marie-Leonie Paradis	5 Mass 8:30am	6 Mass 9:30am St Francois de Montmorency Laval Women of the Bible 7pm Hospitality Rm	7 Mass 8:30am Alpha 6:30pm Parish hall How can I resist evil?	8 Mass 8:30am Blessed Catherine of St Augustine	9 Confession 4-4:30 Mass 5:00pm
10 Mass 10:00 am Mother's Day Spanish Mass 1 pm	11 Mass 8:30am CWL 6:30 pm Hospitality Rm Crowning of Mary	12 Mass 8:30am Saints Nereus, Achilleus and Pancras Connect Group 11:00 am-1:00pm K of C 6:30pm Hospitality Rm	13 Mass 9:30am Our Lady of Fatima Women of the Bible 7pm Hospitality Rm	14 Mass 8:30am ST MATHIAS Alpha 6:30pm Parish hall Why and how should I tell others?	15 Mass 8:30am	16 Confession 4-4:30 Mass 5:00pm
17 Ascension of the Lord Mass 10:00am	18 Mass 8:30am St John I	19 Mass 8:30am	20 Mass 9:30am Saint Bernardine of Siena Women of the Bible 7pm Hospitality Rm	21 Mass 8:30am St Christopher Magallanes and companions and St Eugene de Mazenod SVDP 10:00 am Hospitality Rm Alpha 6:30pm Parish hall Does God heal today?	22 Mass 8:30am St Rita of Cassia Encounter Ministries Healing Service 6:30 - 8:30pm Parish hall	23 Pentecost Vigil English and Spanish Mass 5:00pm Celebration Dinner
24 Pentecost Sunday Spanish Mass 1 pm	25 Mass 8:30am The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church Newsletter submissions due	26 Mass 8:30am St Phillip Neri Connect Group 11:00 am-1:00pm Hospitality Rm	27 Mass 9:30am St Augustine of Canterbury Women of the Bible 7pm Hospitality Rm	28 Mass 8:30am Alpha 6:30pm Parish hall What about church?	29 Mass 8:30am St Paul VI	30 Confession 4-4:30 Mass 5:00pm K of C Take Out Dinner Parish Hall 4:30-6:30
31 The Most Holy Trinity Mass 10:00am Intercessory Prayer 7pm ZOOM	St Michael's Intercessory Prayer Group meets via ZOOM the last Sunday of each month at 7pm Special Intention: Prayers for a successful visit by the NET Ministry Team. Sign up at the entrance to the church or contact the parish office for more information.					Pentecost Vigil Saturday Evening Mass at 5:00pm A Spanish and English Community Celebration! Readings in Spanish and English With a Celebration Dinner to follow in the Parish Hall

Prayer Requests: Bernadette, Peggy, James Pautler, Frank, Alaura, Pat Fleming, Joey Brancato, Marylou Deschamps, James McCarthy, Brian Murphy, Judie Ann Lalgie, Rachel Jessop, Daniel Duggan, Patty Boychuk, Geoff, Steve Lo-Stracco, Ann Marie Flake, Don, Janet Pierce, Betty Ann Schnicks, Bernice Schnicks, Josh Deschamps, Angela, Vilma, Stan Waszynski, Jerry Grey, Bob, Derek, Kevin, Pam, Deanna, Mike Reidy, Bill Lashbrook, Silvana Pontello, Ray Rosestani, Fern, Angie M., Anna Benforte

TAKE OUT...PICK UP DINNER!!
PENNE, 4 MEAT BALLS & ROLL
>> \$10.00 << 4:30-6:30PM
Saturday, May 30
ST MICHAEL'S PARISH HALL
Sponsored and supported by
Knight of Columbus Council 3320 Fort Erie
Proceeds to St Michael's Youth Group

SAVE THE DATE
JUNE 20
 PARISH BBQ
AFTER 5PM MASS
Come Show Your Support
For Youth NET Ministries!

Donations to the Strong Fort Erie Neighbourhoods Personal Products Bank are always welcome!
These are collected in the front entrance to the church. Items most needed: Toilet paper, liquid dish soap, bar soap, toothpaste and antiperspirant.
Thank you for your continued support of our neighbours who are most in need!