

ST. CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

March 7th , 2010, Third Sunday of Lent

Alhambra—Peter DeVet—
 Altar Servers—Mike Schoenmakers—
 C.W.L.—Monica Whelan—
 Children's Liturgy—Lisa Bastiaansen—
 Choir—Judith DeWitt—
 Decorating—Jose VanHaastert—
 Eucharistic Ministers—John DeVet—
 Finance—Jeannette Tidball—
 Foodgrains—Ted Vanos—

Knights of Columbus—Fr. G. Bedard—
 Lectors & Commentators—Mary Meckbach—
 Maintenance—Ben Rops—
 Men's Group—Don Vanos—
 Mission Ministry—Theresa vanKoeverden—
 Parish Pastoral Council-Wayne Millman —
 St. Vincent DePaul—Bill Stewart—
 Social—Mary Meckbach & JoAnn Boere
 Ushers—Gil DeSchutter—

Parish Ministries

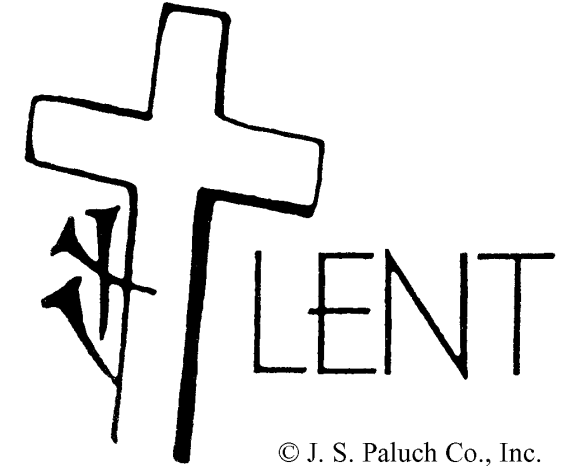
March 13 & 14

	4:30pm	11:00AM
Commentator	Bridget Burnard	Gerry Dochstader
Lectors	Teresa Garnham	Linda Manser
Eucharistic Ministers	Teresa Garnham Brendan Kennelly	Wayne Millman Dave Vanos Tina Thuss Mary DeGroot Helene DeGroot
Gift Bearers		
Ministers of Hospitality	John & Stephanie Hendrickx	JoAnn Boere
Grocery Certificate	Betty DeVet	Gerda Schrijver
Children's Liturgy		Emily Heynsbergen

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Embracing a Future Full of Hope

The 3rd Sunday of Lent
March 7, 2010



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Sunday Eucharist
 Saturday 4:30 pm
 Sunday 11:00 am

Weekday Eucharist
 Thursday 7:00 pm
 Friday 9:00 am

Mass at North Lambton Lodge
 3rd Thursday at 1:30 pm

Mass of Anointing
 1st Friday monthly 11:00am

Confessions:
 Thursday evenings 6:00-6:45pm
 or by appointment

Baptisms, 1st Sunday Monthly
 Weddings, baptisms and
 other sacraments please contact
 the parish office

Pastoral Team
 Father Gerard Bédard
 Wanda VanGeel, Secretary

Office Hours
 Tuesday, Thursday & Friday
 9:00 – 4:00
 (Lunch 1-2pm)

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Let up pray

**God of all compassion, Father of all goodness, to heal the wounds our sins and selfishness bring upon us
 You bid us turn to fasting, prayer, and sharing with our brothers.
 We acknowledge our sinfulness, our guilt is ever before us:
 When our weakness causes discouragement,
 Let your compassion fill us with hope and lead us through
 A Lent of repentance to the beauty of Easter joy.
 Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



Congratulations to
James Aaron Brown
James Ronald Goodhand
Zachary Mason Parsons
Who are being baptized this Sunday.

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Mass Schedule

Pray each day for:

Thursday, March 11th

10:00AM CWL Mass

- Steve Boere requested by CWL
- Betty Parsons requested by Shirley Prout-Clieff

6:30PM—Stations of the Cross

7:00PM—Mass—Rachel DeBorger requested by Frank DeBorger

- John DeVet Sr & family living & deceased requested by Jeannette DeVet & fam
 - Ron Murray requested by Milne family & Mar y
- *Fr. Matthias Wronski

Friday, March 12th—SCHOOL MASS

9:00AM - Mass of Thanksgiving requested by John & Lucy VanHaaren

- Doyle Gray requested by Cathy & Mark St. Charles
 - Special intention Charlie Bedard requested by Sr. Mary Francis
- *Fr. Gerard Bedard

March 21st begins the Season of Spring and a new beginning for Contact House. You are invited to the Dedication and Open House at our new location 6276 Townsend Line (the old Scout Hall) Sunday March 21st at 3pm. Everyone welcome. To help stock shelves any non-perishable item will be greatly appreciated. Thank you and may God Bless you for all you support over the years.

Contact House is in need of dish soap, laundry soap and fabric softener CONTAINERS so we can divide these products. Please drop them at Contact House or your Church. Thank you.

St. Vincent DePaul Collection this weekend March 7/8 after both masses.

New Schedule to accompany Gladys is available on table in Narthex.

Lenten Lunches at St. Christopher's Church on Wed March 10th St. Christopher's CWL will serve lunch and Fr. Gerard is the speaker.

Last of a Series of Film at St. Christopher's at 11AM—noon on Saturday, March 13

The film "Pope John Paul II, A Light for the Nations" will be shown. Since his elevation to the papacy in 1978, John Paul II reshaped its image and the Church through his worldwide travels, statesmanship and personal charisma. This film is an intimate portrait of the life and ministry of John Paul II as seen through the eyes of his childhood friends and church leaders.

Sat. March 20th Day of Retreat 9am—2pm at Our Lady Help of Christians for RCIA and everyone welcome to come and attend this day as well. The day will consist of prayer, stations of the cross, rosary and faith sharing. Please call Martha at OLHC at 519-876-3240 if you wish to attend. (lunch will be provided)



Upcoming Event—Curling—Sun. March 14th at Forest Curling Club
4pm curling, 6pm dinner. Cost \$20.00 p.p. includes dinner or \$10.00 dinner only
Men's Group is hosting this event, everyone welcome to participate.
Sign up Sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Townsend Meadows—Open House—Every Sunday from 12noon—2pm

"The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Me" Preparing for Lent with Sr. Wendy Cotter CSJ,
Mon. March 8th 7:00pm-8:30pm at Sacred Heart Parish. No registration required.

YEAR OF THE PRIESTHOOD—St. Benedict will have nights of reflection the Priesthood following the 7:00pm Mass on Thursday evenings.) - March 11—Chris Pietraszko (Holy Priests throughout Church History) - March 18th—Bishop Sherlock (Reflections from a Bishop's perspective) - March 25th—Fr. Al Momney (Why the Church does not ordain women)

Share Lent—collection is weekend of March 20/21—Envelopes are in your offertory box, or you can pick one up from back of the church, or table in Narthex. Please make cheque payable to St. Christopher's Church and it will be sent to Development & Peace.

Easter Flowers

This year we will accept donations for the church's Easter flowers in the name of a departed loved one. These names will be printed in the Easter Bulletin. Donations can be placed in an envelope (don't forget to put the name of the deceased person on the envelope) and put into the offertory basket or dropped off at the Parish office by Palm Sunday, March 28th.

2010 London Cursillo weekend—Where is Christ in your life now? Take time to reflect and redirect your path. A Cursillo weekend can give you that time, and the spiritual food you need for reflection.

When: Women: - April 22-25; Men's Apr 29-May 2 ——**Where:** Michaelite House, Melrose

Cost: \$ 150 (funding available to those unable to meet this expense.)

Who to contact: Bill & Mary Ressler 519-633-6691 or mtressler@rogers.com

Anniversary Mass for Married Couples, Sunday, April 25, 3:00pm at St. Peter's Cathedral.

Bishop Fabbro will preside at this Mass. All married couples are invited to attend. However, in 2010, Bishop Fabbro will celebrate his 30th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood. Couples celebrating 30 years of Marriage are especially invited to attend. . To register, please call the Parish office 519-786-5243. Deadline for receiving names is April 15th.

St. John Fisher Catholic School 50th Anniversary Celebration -June 11, 12th, 13th 2010

Open House—Sat. June 12th 1:00-5:00pm

Sun. June 13th Mass @11:00 a.m. celebrated by Bishop Fabbro—Luncheon @12:30pm

Volunteers and memorabilia needed. Please contact Jean Mantha 519-786-5201.

Tickets for Luncheon on June 13th available at the school \$10.00 each or call to reserve ticket