



LAKES ERIE AND ST. CLAIR
CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES

FAMILLE DES PAROISSES CATHOLIQUES
DES LACS ÉRIÉ ET STE-CLAIRE

September 20 & 27 septembre 2026

*25th and 26th
Sundays in
Ordinary Time*

*25e et 26e dimanches
du temps ordinaire*

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& Saint-Philippe Parish**

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Custodian / Concierge: Herman Lucier (Immaculée Conception)

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LAKES ERIE & ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES
Famille des Paroisses Catholiques
des Lacs Érié et Ste-Claire
PICNIC / PIQUE NIQUE
Organised by Msgr AJ McNabb Knights of Columbus Tilbury,
St Peter's and St Patrick's Knights of Columbus
and the Parish Pastoral Council
Activités Amusantes Pour Famille-Jeux-BBQ
Family Fun Events- Games-BBQ
Cost-Freewill Offering/ Offrande Libre
Sunday
SEPTEMBER 27 12:00 (NOON)-4:00
DIMANCHE
Location
St Peter's On The Thames
5425 TECUMSEH LINE
Veuillez vous inscrire
ou téléphonez au bureau
Please sign up or call
the parish office
519-687-3118



**** Be certain to check dates and times of the masses as this page contains a 2 week schedule****
****Assurez-vous de vérifier les dates et l'heure des messes car cette page contient un horaire de 2 semaines****

Weekday Masses ~ Messes en semaine

lundi/Monday September 21 septembre 2026
 No mass / pas de messe

mardi/Tuesday, September 22 septembre 2026

6:30 pm at St. Peter's (English) Confessions 6:00pm-6:20pm
 + Souls in purgatory,
 especially those most abandoned and devoid of help
 A special intention

6:30 pm at St. Francis Xavier (English)
 + Dennis Laforet (3rd Ann.) by his wife
 + Martin Smits by Bruce and Theresa Gadal
 Intentions of Deacon Aaron Murphy
 by the Cheff and Grieves families

mercredi/Wednesday, September 23 septembre 2026

8h30 à Immaculée Conception (français)
 + Evelyn Couture par Linda Lachapelle
 + Eva Beauséjour par Gerry et Marie Alexandre
 + François Caron par Angela Soullières

6:30 pm at Visitation (English) Confessions 5:45pm-6:15pm
 + Thérèse (6th ann.) and Eugène (43rd ann.) Sylvestre
 by the family
 + Souls in purgatory by Brenda and Jean-Marc Lacasse
 Intentions of Luc Moison by Catherine Gadal

jeudi/Thursday, September 24 septembre 2026

8:30 am at Visitation (English)
 + Marc and Lucille Comartin by Jenn Comartin
 + Louis and Corinne VanDenDriessche
 by Bernadette and Mike Mullins
 + Rose Duquette by Ken and Eveleen Taylor and family

6:30 pm at Immaculée Conception (English) Adoration 7-8:00pm
 + Arthur Martin (50th ann.) by his family
 + Pearl St. Pierre by Chris Jubenville
 Intentions of the Holy Trinity Prayer Group Members

vendredi/Friday, September 25 septembre 2026

8:30 am at St. Francis Xavier (English)
 + Ray Rivard by Sharon Sims
 + Deceased members of the Regnier and Robert families
 + Deceased family members
 of Vince and Aline Lanoue and family

12h00 à la Visitation (français)
 + Bernard Mailloux par la famille
 + Pauline Gagnier par Bob Baillargeon
 Intentions de Michelle et Jared par Maurice, Cathy et famille

Weekday Masses ~ Messes en semaine

lundi/Monday September 28 septembre 2026
 No mass / pas de messe

mardi/Tuesday, September 29 septembre 2026

6:30 pm at St. Peter's (English) Confessions 6:00pm-6:20pm
 + Rita Knapp by Clarence Knapp

6:30 pm at St. Francis Xavier (English)
 + Lynda and Francis Montminy by Liana Cote
 + Gerald Peltier by Phil Chapleau and Jenn Comartin
 + Lucy Tremblay by Rachel Mailloux

mercredi/Wednesday, September 30 septembre 2026

8h30 à Immaculée Conception (français)
 + Norbert King par Marie Roy
 + Richard Peltier par Paula et Maurice Roy
 + Alice Tetrault-Hymus par John et Marie Vajdik

6:30 pm at Visitation (English) Confessions 5:45pm-6:15pm
 + Chuck LaBonté by Andy and Charlene Dupuis
 + Barbara Emery by Pat and Lou Mullin
 Intentions of Doreen Reaume by Rita Huson

jeudi/Thursday, October 1 octobre 2026

8:30 am at Visitation (English)
 + Robert Mailloux by Robert and Sharon Gevaert
 + Gerard, Marcel and Geraldine Lanoue by Ilene and family
 Peace by Brenda and Jean-Marc Lacasse

6:30 pm at Immaculée Conception (English) Adoration 7-8:00pm
 + Yvonne King by Leonard and Jackie Brown
 + Armand Bechard by Norm Myers
 Intentions of the Holy Trinity Prayer Group Members

vendredi/Friday, October 2 octobre

8:30 am at St. Francis Xavier (English) Adoration 9-9:30 am
 + Rev. Louis H. Rivard by his estate
 + Lorine Goodreau by Ray and Arlene Duquette
 + Raymond Rivard by Yvette Sauve

12h00 à la Visitation (français) Adoration 11-12noon

+ Justine Mailloux par Stephanie et Albert Janisse
 + Marcel, Claire et Yvette Ladouceur par Rita Barrette
 Intentions des petits enfants Marentette
 par Barbara Marentette

samedi/Saturday, October 3 octobre

10:00 am at St Peter's (English) (First Saturday)

First Saturday Tradition

Catholics traditionally dedicate the First Saturday of each month to the Blessed Virgin Mary as a way of honouring her unique participation in Christ's saving work and imitating her faithful, contemplative heart. The devotion received particular emphasis through Our Lady of Fatima, where the faithful were encouraged to offer prayer, Communion, and meditation in reparation for sins committed against Mary's Immaculate Heart.

Join us for Mass at St Peter's.

La tradition du premier samedi

Les catholiques consacrent traditionnellement le premier samedi de chaque mois à la Sainte Vierge Marie afin d'honorer sa participation unique à l'œuvre salvifique du Christ et d'imiter son cœur fidèle et contemplatif. Cette dévotion a pris une importance particulière à la suite des apparitions de Notre-Dame de Fatima, où les fidèles ont été encouragés à offrir la prière, la communion et la méditation en réparation des péchés commis contre le Cœur Immaculé de Marie.

Rejoignez-nous pour la messe à l'église St Peter.

CWL -St. Francis Xavier Council Rosary Intentions for September

1. For students and teachers to begin the new school year with excitement, curiosity and love.
2. For people of Nepal; for protection, and hope in the aftermath of the earthquake.
3. For the sick in the parish; that God's healing power grant them comfort and peace.
4. For peace in the world; that God heal divisions, guide leaders and fill everyone's heart with love, global unity and understanding.
5. For the Pope's General Intention for September; for care of water so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Weekend Masses ~ Messes de fin de semaine

Samedi / Saturday, September 26 septembre 2026

5:00 pm at St. Francis Xavier (English)

(Confessions 4:00-4:30 pm)

For the intentions of the people of God

5:00 pm at Immaculée Conception (English)

(Confessions 4:00-4:30 pm)

For the intentions of the people of God

Dimanche / Sunday, September 27 septembre 2026

8:00 am at St. Peter's (English)

For the intentions of the people of God

8h30 à la Visitation (français)

Pour les intentions du peuple de Dieu

10:15 am at St. Francis Xavier (English)

For the intentions of the people of God

10:30 am at Visitation (English)

For the intentions of the people of God



Weekend Masses ~ Messes de fin de semaine

Samedi / Saturday, October 3 octobre 2026

5:00 pm at St. Francis Xavier (English)

(Confessions 4:00-4:30 pm)

For the intentions of the people of God

17h00 à Immaculée Conception (français)

(Confessions 4:00-4:30 pm)

Pour les intentions du peuple de Dieu

Dimanche / Sunday, October 4 octobre 2026

8:00 am at St. Peter's (English)

For the intentions of the people of God

8h30 à la Visitation (français)

Pour les intentions du peuple de Dieu

10:15 am at St. Francis Xavier (English)

For the intentions of the people of God

10:30 am at Visitation (English)

For the intentions of the people of God



Pray for the deceased...

Prions pour les défunts et défunes...

Annette Martin, Thomas Michael Laporte

Please pray for the sick...

Prions pour les malades...

from / de

Paroisse Immaculée Conception & Saint-Philippe Parish

Jim Brown, Niall Hetherington, Robert L'Écuyer,

Rose-Marie Pepper, Aleks Pinsonneault, Nicolas Roy.

from/de St. Francis Xavier Parish

Avery Acheson, Nanette Baillargeon, Jim Brosseau,

Ken Dagenais, Bunny Dejong, Denise Dupuis,

Ray L. Duquette, Charlotte Gadal-Teichroeb, Bob Garant,

Fr. Jack Hurley, Christine Kilpatrick, Mike Martin,

Michael McDonald, Christopher Powers, Oliver Reed,

Theresa Slack, Eileen Sylvestre.

from/de St. Peter's on the Thames and St Patrick's

Brad, Paul Giroux, Evelyn Gore, Katherine Moon,

Pauline Quenneville.

from/de Pardoise de la Visitation Parish

Jeannette Chauvin, Lorraine Chauvin, Marie-Anne Chauvin,

Lawrence Comartin, Pierrette Derikx, Jeannette Foolen,

Brynn Klassen, Jean-Guy Langlois, Leo Leboeuf,

Charlene Parent, Doreen Reaume, Randy Reaume,

Ted Richardson, Steven Trepanier, Timothy Trepanier.

RTLK's WALK FOR LIFE

3 km walk at Kingston Park in Chatham October 17, 2026

The Walk for Life is an important fundraiser for Right to Life Kent. Every dollar raised helps make our pro-life mission possible. This year's goal is \$10,000.

When you donate you are helping to :

- bring pro-life education into the community
- equip young people with truth and compassion
- support outreach that affirms the dignity of human life
- ensure a strong pro-life voice continues in Chatham-Kent

Details are as follows:

Registration: 10:00 to 11:00 am with coffee/tea/donuts

FREE PIZZA LUNCH provided after the walk

There will be prizes for most money raised as well as

CHOOSE LIFE Tshirts for participants.

Adoration of the

Most Blessed Sacrament



Join the Holy Trinity Prayer Group every Thursday at Immaculée Conception Church for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 6:30 pm mass till 8:00 pm. All are welcome.

At Visitation Church the first Friday of every month join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 11am followed by mass at 12pm. All are welcome.

Join us Friday October 2nd at Visitation Church.

At St. Francis Xavier Church the first Friday of every month join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 8:30 am mass for 1/2 hour.

All are welcome.

Join us Friday October 2nd at St Francis Xavier Church.

Adoration du Très Saint-Sacrement

Rejoignez le 'Holy Trinity Prayer Group' tous les jeudis à l'église Immaculée Conception pour l'adoration du Saint Sacrement après la messe de 18h30 jusqu'à 20h00.

Tous sont les bienvenus.

À l'église de la Visitation,

le premier vendredi de chaque mois rejoignez-nous

pour l'Adoration du Saint Sacrement à

11h00 suivi de la messe à 12h00.

Tous sont les bienvenus.

Joignez-vous à nous vendredi 2 octobre.

À l'église St. Francis Xavier,

le premier vendredi de chaque mois rejoignez-nous pour

l'Adoration du Saint Sacrement après la messe de 8h30

pour 1/2 heure. Tous sont les bienvenus.

Joignez-vous à nous vendredi 2 octobre.

Located in Merlin within our family of parishes

Our Lady of the Rosary Monastery and Shrine

(519) 689 -7760

rosariansmerlin@gmail.com



Situé à Merlin au sein de notre famille de paroisses

Saint of the Week:

September 24: **Blessed Émilie Tavernier-Gamelin** (1800-1851) was born in Montreal, the youngest of 15 children. By the age of 28, she had endured the death of her husband and 3 children, drawing her closer to Our Lady of Sorrows. Émilie took an interest in charitable works and devoted her life to the poor, sick, orphaned and imprisoned, setting up Houses of Providence for their care. After taking her final vows, she joined the Daughters of Charity Servants of the Poor. With the blessing of Bishop Bourget, she founded the Sisters of Providence in 1843 and became their Superior General in 1844. She believed in humility, simplicity and above all charity. She was beatified in 2001 by Pope John Paul II.

Sainte de la semaine :

24 septembre : **Bienheureuse Émilie Tavernier-Gamelin** (1800-1851) Née à Montréal, Émilie Tavernier apprend de sa mère la confiance en Dieu-Providence. Les itinérants, les orphelins, les sans-travail, les prisonniers, les sourds, les isolés, les malades, voilà sa famille. Émilie gagne des parentes et amies à ses gestes de dévouement. À la demande de Mgr Bourget, la Congrégation des Sœurs de la Providence est fondée en 1843. Engagée comme laïque, puis comme religieuse, Émilie Tavernier-Gamelin demeure un modèle pour notre temps. Béatifiée il y a vingt-cinq ans en 2001.



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20, 2026

God rewards those who place their trust in him.

It is hard not to relate to the worker who toiled all day and then was jealous of the worker who was paid equally for his one hour of work. But if we unite ourselves to the heart of Christ, we can understand God's pleasure in the conversion of all souls, whether they were faithful their whole lives or came to him right before death. Thank God for the mercy shown to each of us.

25e Dimanche du temps ordinaire 20 septembre 2026

Un royaume à recevoir

On ne peut projeter la justice humaine sur celle de Dieu; sa bonté l'emporte en faveur de toute personne qui l'invoque en vérité, que ce soit à la première ou à la dernière heure.

The Readings / Les lectures

September 27 septembre, 2026

Ezekiel / Ézékiel 18:25-28

Psalms 25 / Psaume 24 (25)

Philippians / Philippiens 2:1-11

Matthew / Matthieu 21:28-32



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 27, 2026

God is just and rewards the humble and repentant heart.

One must be a disciple of Christ to enter the Lord's kingdom. A disciple is one who has turned away from sin, repented, and through God's grace, eagerly strives to follow his ways. No matter one's past, anyone can enter the kingdom of God by turning to the Lord and offering his or her sincere "yes" to God in word and in deed.

26e Dimanche du temps ordinaire 27 septembre 2026

Notre vigne

La vigne de Dieu, c'est aussi la nôtre. Nous en assumons la responsabilité par des actes concrets et cohérents, en toute humilité.

The Readings / Les lectures

October 4 octobre 2026

Isaiah / Isaïe 5:1-7

Psalms 80 / Psaume 79 (80)

Philippians / Philippiens 4:6-9

Matthew / Matthieu 21:33-43



2026 Windsor-Essex Bishop's Dinner

Emod & Maureen Greff, Honourary Co-Chairs, invite you to this special event welcoming Bishop Daniel Miehm, 11th Bishop for the Diocese of London, and extending our gratitude to Bishop Ronald P. Fabbro, CSB, for 24 years of dedicated service. Proceeds from the Bishop's Dinner directly support St. Peter's Seminary.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2026
at the CIOCIARO CLUB in WINDSOR.**

Tickets are \$175 per person. For more information, please contact: Fiona Moniz, 519-432-1824 ext. 222
fiona.moniz@spseminary.ca, www.stpetersseminary.ca.
You can purchase your tickets at this [link](#).

Starting
October 4th

Children's Church

EVERY SUNDAY | 10:30 AM

Visitation Parish 5407 Comber Sideroad

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Interactive Bible Stories
- Exciting Games & Activities
- Creative Crafts
- Music & Singing
- Friendship & Fun

AGES 3-7 WELCOME

CONTACT US
519-687-3118
eriestclairparishes@dol.ca

All kids are welcome!

Rediscover Your Faith - Series

The Lakes Erie and St. Clair Catholic Family of Parishes presents an opportunity for us to gather together in community, to share, learn and grow in our faith. In considering gathering together in community, please take a moment now and ponder these thoughts.

The world today is facing challenging times. During these challenging days, many of us have questions and doubts about life, faith, the church and God. All of these questions and doubts generate thoughts and feelings that can lead us to words, actions and events in our lives that can be unsettling within our hearts.

Wouldn't it be comforting to experience less anxiety, less anger and less hurt and change these feelings into a greater sense of peace and joy?

In order to achieve a greater sense of peace and joy we need to look deeper into the relationship we have with Jesus: to get to know Jesus intimately, and more importantly to know ourselves.

We can do this through the 'Rediscover Your Faith' series which will present the Truths of the Catholic Faith as well as a different approach to experiencing our relationship with Jesus.

The 'Rediscover Your Faith' series will help in revealing that the heart is the centre and origin of all decisions an individual makes.

The words and actions of the individual will expose where the heart is in loving Jesus, others and oneself.

Jesus is asking us to get to know ourselves. Jesus wants to show us who we are and how we are loving in this present day.

His desire is for us to change and grow. Are we willing to let Jesus show us how?

One is truly humble of heart if one knows oneself thoroughly and knows God. - St. Paul of the Cross

LAKES ERIE AND ST. CLAIR CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES
LA FAMILLE DES PAROISSES CATHOLIQUES DES LACS ÉRIÉ ET SAINTE-CLAIRE
PRÉSENTE / PRESENTS

REDISCOVER YOUR FAITH



PLEASE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND TO JESUS KNOCKING
AND WAITING AT THE DOOR TO OUR HEARTS AND JOIN US TO

'REDISCOVER YOUR FAITH'

Open to Christians and non-Christians



ONE IS TRULY HUMBLE OF HEART IF ONE KNOWS ONESELF THOROUGHLY
AND KNOWS GOD.

-ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

Please take this opportunity to respond to Jesus knocking and waiting at the door to our hearts and join us to:

'Rediscover Your Faith' (Part 1)

beginning Tuesday, October 20, 2026

Two times are available: **1:30-3:30 p.m.** or
7:00-9:00 p.m. (following evening Mass)

Both times will take place in a safe environment,
at St. Francis Xavier Church, 32 Canal St., Tilbury.

Please invite a friend (Christian or non Christian).

'Jesus is calling you to an encounter'

'Rediscover Your Faith' (Part 2)

beginning Monday, October 19, 2026

6:30-8:30 p.m.

at St. Francis Xavier Church, 32 Canal St., Tilbury.

'An encounter begins with you'

For more information, please contact the parish office,
519-687-3118.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: R.C.I.A.

Do you sometimes desire something more for your life?

Do you ever have a need in your life to be spiritual?

Do you have an interest in acquiring a deeper understanding of the Catholic Faith?

If you are someone who has never been baptized in any faith or
has been baptized in some other Christian faith or

has been baptized Catholic but has not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation,

then the R.C.I.A. program is something you could consider to becoming a complete participant in the Catholic Faith

The R.C.I.A. program takes you on a journey of faith to experience as a Catholic Christian the joy, peace and freedom which can come from following our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The program reflects on what the Catholic Church teaches about God, Jesus and the Bible.

If you are discerning in becoming Catholic or know someone who wishes to become Catholic
please call the office at 519-687-3118 or email Fr Chris at cpietraszko@dol.ca.

You will be contacted with further information about the program.

God is calling you!

Le 26 septembre

**JOURNÉE
DES
FRANCOPHONES**

au sanctuaire
Notre-Dame-du-Rosaire
à Merlin
Messe à 11h00
Célébrant: Rév. Patrick Bénéteau

 Venez célébrer notre foi
et notre culture ensemble !

SUNDAY SOCIAL AT VISITATION PARISH

Come join us for coffee, treats and
a time of fellowship in the parish hall.
Sunday October 4th
after our morning masses.

**DIMANCHE SOCIAL
À LA PAROISSE DE LA VISITATION**
Venez vous joindre à nous pour un café,
des gâteries et un moment de camaraderie
dans la salle paroissiale.
Dimanche le 4 octobre
après les messes du matin.



 **Sunday, October 4th**
St. Peter's on the Thames
is having a 'Coffee Sunday'
Please join us after the 8am mass
for coffee, treats and fellowship.

CALLED FOR MISSION

- A Charisms Discernment Workshop
Every baptized person has been given charisms:
real, Spirit-given gifts meant to be used
for others and for the Church.
You don't need a title to change the world,
just a yes to how God made you.
Come discover what you were made for.
Saturday, October 17, 2026 | Visitation Parish Hall
9:30 am coffee | 10:00 am – 3:30 pm workshop
Lunch included
\$10/person (online or cash) | Open to all!
Registration required by October 9th
at dol.ca/called-for-mission

Cursillo Weekends!

Chatham Kent Cursillo is excited to announce that plans are
underway to hold Cursillo weekends in April of 2027
at St. Mary's Hall in Blenheim..
Men's weekend is April 1-4 and Women's April 15-18.
Be sure to sign up for this opportunity to encounter Christ in
a personal and powerful way! Applications are available in
the parish office or from Deacon Raymond.

Holy Family Retreat House Happenings
There are some exciting retreats upcoming at Holy Family
Retreat House. For more information on these retreats and
others, check out their website at this link:
<https://hfrh.ca/upcoming-retreats>

- Beloved October 16-18, 2026
- Jubilee Year of St. Francis Retreat - October 21-23, 2026
- Catholic Men's Retreat - November 27-29, 2026

Jeremiah Day - October 3rd, 2026
The story of the prophet Jeremiah tells us that it is never too
early to think about God's plan for us. This is a day for
young men (grades 8 to 12) to grow closer to God and to
visit our seminary. The activities include a tour of
St. Peter's Seminary in London Ontario, Mass, lunch, time
for prayer and an indoor sports activity in the afternoon.
October 3, 2026 - 10 AM
St Peter's Seminary 1040 Waterloo St., London ON
Register: www.dolpriest.ca/jeremiah-day
For more information contact Fr. Rob Renaud
vocations@dol.ca or 519-432-1824 ext. 204

Catholic Women's League -Visitation Council
Our General Membership Gathering is Monday, September 21, 2026 @ 7 pm in the Parish Hall
The Autumn Fest BAZAAR is fast approaching on Saturday, September 26, 2026.
To all of our members you are reminded:

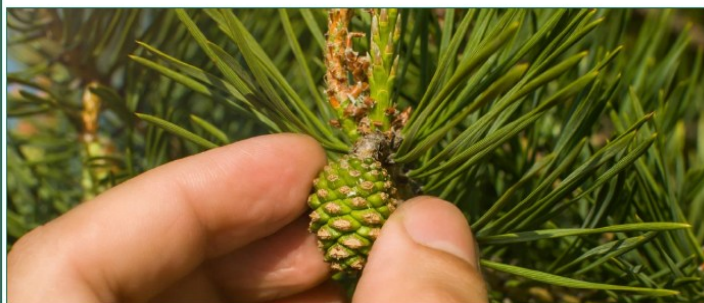
- *Return all sold and unsold tickets by way of the Sunday collection basket or bringing them to the next CWL General Membership Gathering September 21st or earlier if not sold so we can sell them
- * Donate an item to the Penny Sale Table: a "new" item of \$10 value would be appreciated. Please bring items to our September General Membership Gathering or deliver donations anytime during the AutumnFest Prep Days, but no later than Friday, September 25 at 10:00 a.m.
- * Donation of a Toonie which helps purchase gift cards for the grocery gift card raffle.
- * Baked goods - please label if nuts are ingredients. These items must arrive no later than NOON on Friday, Sept. 25th. If you are unable to bake, cash donations will be greatly accepted.

For the Itinerary for Bazaar Prep days please see the sign-up sheets in the foyer - please consider filling in as many spots as possible to help make our main fundraiser event successful. - Thank you, The AutumnFest Committee





Support Healing and Reconciliation



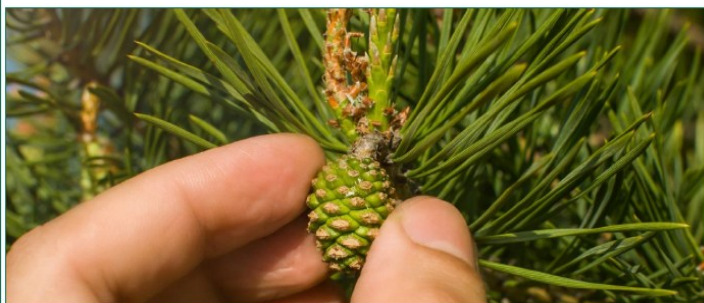
Your generous gift to the Truth and Reconciliation Fund helps support local projects for Indigenous communities in the Diocese.

To donate, you can leave a cheque payable to your parish using the special collection envelope. Please make sure your cheque says "Truth and Reconciliation Fund" when you drop it off. To donate online, go to the URL below (or scan the QR code) with your cellphone.

<https://truthreconciliation.plenty.com>



Soutenez la guérison et la réconciliation



Votre généreux don au Fonds pour la vérité et la réconciliation contribue à soutenir des projets locaux destinés aux communautés autochtones du diocèse.

Pour faire un don, vous pouvez déposer un chèque à l'ordre de votre paroisse dans l'enveloppe spéciale prévu à cet effet. Veuillez-vous assurer que votre chèque porte la mention « Fonds Vérité et Réconciliation » lorsque vous le déposez.

Pour faire un don en ligne, rendez-vous à l'adresse URL ci-dessous ou scannez le code QR avec votre téléphone cellulaire.

<https://truthreconciliation.plenty.com>



TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION FUND

Did You Know that September 30 is National Truth and Reconciliation Day/Orange Shirt Day?

This day is a response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action #80, recommending the government set a national day to commemorate the history and legacy of residential schools. Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous led grassroots initiative to honour residential school survivors and to remember those students who didn't survive. Its origins commemorate the experience of Phyllis Webstad, a residential school survivor, who at six years old, was told to remove her new orange shirt and to put on the school's uniform. This experience left her feeling worthless and insignificant. We cannot rewrite the past but we can make a new future and offer healing for past harms and injustices.

You can learn more about Phyllis's story here <https://orangeshirtday.org/phyllis-story>

Donating to the Diocesan Truth and Reconciliation Fund is one way we can support healing and reconciliation with Indigenous people and communities within the Diocese.

Thank you for your prayers and support.

FONDS POUR LA VÉRITÉ ET LA RÉCONCILIATION

Saviez-vous que le 30 septembre est
la Journée nationale de la vérité et de la réconciliation/Journée du t-shirt orange ?

Cette journée fait suite à l'appel à l'action n° 80 de la Commission de vérité et réconciliation, qui recommandait au gouvernement d'instaurer une journée nationale pour commémorer l'histoire et l'héritage des écoles résidentielles. La Journée du t-shirt orange est une initiative populaire menée par les Autochtones pour rendre hommage aux survivants des écoles résidentielles et se souvenir des élèves qui n'ont pas survécu. Ses origines commémorent l'expérience de Phyllis Webstad, une survivante des écoles résidentielles, à qui l'on a demandé, à l'âge de six ans, d'enlever son nouveau t-shirt orange et de revêtir l'uniforme de l'école. Cette expérience lui a donné le sentiment d'être sans valeur et a été le point de départ de sa longue lutte pour la justice et la réconciliation. Nous ne pouvons pas réécrire le passé, mais nous pouvons construire un nouvel avenir et offrir une guérison pour les torts et les injustices du passé. Pour en savoir plus sur l'histoire de Phyllis, cliquez ici : <https://orangeshirtday.org/phyllis-story>

Faire un don au Fonds diocésain pour la vérité et la réconciliation est une façon de soutenir la guérison et la réconciliation avec les peuples et les communautés autochtones du diocèse.

Merci pour vos prières et votre soutien.

Parish Picnic Announcement

As we prepare for our parish picnic, we want to make sure everyone can enjoy the day safely. If you or a family member have any food-related allergies that we should be aware of, please contact the main office at 519-687-3118 or Felix at 519-682-2718.

Announce du pique-nique paroissial

Alors que nous préparons notre prochain pique-nique paroissial, nous voulons nous assurer que tout le monde puisse profiter de cette journée en toute sécurité. Si vous ou un membre de votre famille souffrez d'allergies alimentaires dont nous devrions être informés, veuillez contacter le bureau principal 519-687-3118 ou Felix 519-682-2718.

Added note from the Picnic Committee:

If you are signed up to attend our Parish Picnic on September 27th, PLEASE consider bringing a side dish or desert to share. Thank You

Note ajoutée par le comité du pique-nique :

Si vous vous êtes inscrit(e) pour participer au pique-nique paroissial du 27 septembre, veuillez penser à apporter un plat d'accompagnement ou un dessert à partager. Merci.



TWEEN NIGHT SOIRÉE PRÉADOS

October 2 octobre ~ 7-9:30pm

Students grades 5-8 only / étudiants 5^e - 8^e années seulement

Salle paroissiale de la Visitation Parish Hall
5407 Comber Sideroad, Comber

Prix d'entrée \$5.00 Cost of Admission

SAVE THE DATE!

The Catholic Women's League at St. Francis Xavier
will be hosting a 'Ladies Night Out' event
on Thurs. Nov. 12, 2026.

Fashions by 'Imagine That' will be showcased
along with a few vendors.

More details and tickets will be available soon.
Hope to see you there!

The Calendar Committee is beginning its work on the 2027 St. Francis Church Lottery Calendar

We are looking for those who would like to donate

a day \$25 / a week \$350 / a special amount in memory of a loved one or for a special occasion with special wording \$100.

We also accept gift cards or gift certificates in any amount \$25 or over.

Profits go towards capital improvements to our historic building and are used for capital projects only.

Every bit helps cut the cost of producing the calendar and the fruits of your generous labours see the profit growing every year.

The last day to contribute is Sept. 30th.

You do not have to be a parishioner here or even a Catholic to contribute. We welcome participation from our other parish churches as well. For more info contact Kathy 519 809 0057 or Linda 519 682 1752.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER LOTTERY CALENDAR DRAW 2027 SPONSORSHIP FORM

32 CANAL ST. W., P.O. BOX 1029 519 682 1102 TILBURY, ON N0P 2L0 eriestclairparishes@dol.ca

NAME: _____

P.O.BOX NUMBER: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE NO.: _____

DONATION DAYS _____

_____ FRIDAY DRAW \$50

_____ \$25 DAILY DRAW

_____ OTHER _____ AMOUNT _____ BUSINESS CARD ATTACHED

_____ SERVICE _____ AMOUNT _____ GIFT CERTIFICATE _____ GIFT CARD

_____ SPECIAL OCCASION INCLUDES SPECIAL WORDING \$100

SPECIAL WORDING _____

PAID BY: _____ DATE: _____ RECEIVED BY: _____

Please return form with money to Linda Ducetre 519-682-1752 or Kathy Cottingham 519-809-0057.

FINAL DAY TO SUBMIT IS SEPTEMBER 30, 2026. Cheques to be made payable to **St. Francis Church Lottery Calendar.**

We will try to honour all dates if available and will contact you if there is a conflict. A charitable donation receipt will be issued.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER LOTTERY CALENDAR WINNERS FOR AUGUST, 2026

Winners, please pick up your winnings at 24 Lawson Street. Call 519-809-0057 to make arrangements.

August 1, 2026 \$25 #068 Paul & Marilyn McMillan, Tilbury
August 2, 2026 \$50 #138 Louise Bedard, Tilbury
August 3, 2026 \$150 GC #390 David & Lisa Derynck, Tilbury
August 4, 2026 \$25 #458 David & Lisa Derynck, Tilbury
August 5, 2026 \$25 #256 Michael & Sharon Benoit, Tilbury
August 6, 2026 \$25 #148 Sarah Moison, Stoney Point
August 7, 2026 \$50 #787 Charlotte Gadal Teichroeb, Tilbury
August 8, 2026 \$25 #006 Lise Stevens, Windsor
August 9, 2026 \$25 #558 Denise Dupuis, Merlin
August 10, 2026 \$25 #120 Phillip Matheson, Lorette, MB
August 11, 2026 \$25 #057 Becky Bryan, Tilbury
August 12, 2026 \$25 #297 Wanda Courtney, Tilbury
August 13, 2026 \$25 #595 Dorothy Pinsonneault, Stoney Point
August 14, 2026 \$50 #645 Gerald & Elaine Peltier, Tilbury
August 15, 2026 \$25 #192 Michelle & Allen Geoffroy, Tilbury
August 16, 2026 \$25 #843 Catherine Gadal, Tilbury
August 17, 2026 \$100 #125 Nikki Jones, Tilbury
August 18, 2026 \$25 #332 Julianne Green, Tecumseh
August 19, 2026 \$25 #248 Murray Moffatt, Tilbury
August 20, 2026 \$50 #642 Michelle Rivard, Tilbury
August 21, 2026 \$50 #191 Jean-Paul & Leeann Martin, Chatham
August 22, 2026 \$25 #200 Kathleen Peltier, Tilbury
August 23, 2026 \$100 #126 Gilbert Jones, Tilbury
August 24, 2026 \$25 #577 Dan Tye, Chatham
August 25, 2026 \$50 GC #053 Tanya Duquette, Merlin
August 26, 2026 \$25 #713 Joyce & Gary Deibel, McGregor
August 27, 2026 \$100 #405 Marie & Mark Woodall, Chatham
August 28, 2026 \$50 #662 Kim Cottingham, Merlin
August 29, 2026 \$25 #383 Chris & Mark Mather, Tilbury
August 30, 2026 \$25 #601 Donna Bourdeau, Tilbury
August 31, 2026 \$25 #297 Wanda Courtney, Tilbury

Congratulations to all our winners.

Next draw is Sept. 27. All are welcome.

We are working on the 2027 Lottery Calendar.

There are still lots of dates available if anyone wants to sponsor a day or two in the calendar. Hopefully this year we can fill in all the dates. Thank you for your consideration.



CWL -Visitation Council would like to thank everyone who made donations to the August food collection for the Tilbury Information and Help Centre food bank. We collected 350 school snacks and 121 miscellaneous items and a generous \$509 in cash donations to help purchase additional perishable items needed.

Between 8:00 a.m. and noon on Sunday September 20, we will be accepting donations of peanut butter and jam. Help to spread the word with family and friends about our monthly collections.



Le CWL Conseil Visitation tient à remercier toutes les personnes qui ont fait des dons lors de la collecte alimentaire organisée en août pour le Centre d'information et d'aide de Tilbury.

Nous avons collecté 350 pièces de collations pour l'école, 121 pièces de divers produits alimentaires, et 509 \$ de dons en espèces pour aider à acheter les articles supplémentaires nécessaires. Le dimanche 20 Septembre, entre 8 h et midi, nous accepterons les dons de beurre d'arachides et de confitures. Merci de faire connaître nos collectes mensuelles à votre famille et à vos amis.

Employment Opportunity

Our Family of Parishes is seeking a full-time Bilingual (English and French) Administrative Assistant to support the mission and daily operations of our parish communities. If you are organized, welcoming, and fluent in both English and French, we encourage you to apply.

To view the full job posting and apply, please visit:

<https://www.dol.ca/bilingual-administrative-assistant>

Please share this opportunity with anyone who may be interested in serving the Church through this important ministry. We look forward to hearing from qualified candidates.

Offre d'emploi

Notre famille de paroisses recherche un(e) assistant(e) administratif(ve) bilingue (anglais et français) à temps plein pour soutenir la mission et le fonctionnement quotidien de nos communautés paroissiales.

Si vous êtes organisé(e), accueillant(e) et maîtrisez parfaitement l'anglais et le français, nous vous encourageons à postuler.

Pour consulter l'offre d'emploi complète et postuler, rendez-vous sur :

<https://www.dol.ca/bilingual-administrative-assistant>

N'hésitez pas à partager cette opportunité avec toute personne qui serait intéressée par le service de l'Église à travers cet important ministère. Nous attendons avec impatience les candidatures de personnes qualifiées.

Request for Tenders – Snow Removal Services

The Family of Parishes consisting of St. Peter Parish, Visitation Parish, Immaculée Conception Parish, and St. Francis Xavier Parish is seeking qualified contractors to submit tenders for snow removal services for the upcoming winter season.

Services required include snow plowing, clearing of parking lots, walkways, entrances, and salting/sanding as needed to ensure safe access to parish properties.

Interested contractors are invited to submit their tender and proof of insurance. Site visits can be arranged upon request.

For more information or to obtain tender specifications, please contact the parish office at jsoulliere@dol.ca

Submission Deadline: [October 20, 2026]

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those selected for further consideration will be contacted.

Appel d'offres – Services de déneigement



La famille de paroisses composée des paroisses St. Peter, Visitation, Immaculée Conception et St. Francis Xavier recherche des entrepreneurs qualifiés pour soumettre des offres concernant les services de déneigement pour la prochaine saison hivernale.

Les services requis comprennent le déneigement à la lame, le déblayage du stationnement, des allées et des entrées, ainsi que le salage/sablage si nécessaire afin de garantir un accès sécurisé aux propriétés paroissiales.

Les entrepreneurs intéressés sont invités à soumettre leur offre ainsi qu'une attestation d'assurance. Des visites des lieux peuvent être organisées sur demande.

Pour plus d'informations ou pour obtenir le cahier des charges, veuillez contacter le bureau paroissial à l'adresse jsoulliere@dol.ca

Date limite de soumission : [20 octobre 2026]

Nous remercions tous les candidats de leur intérêt ; toutefois, seuls ceux retenus pour la suite de la procédure seront contactés.

St. Francis Xavier Catholic Women's League CASH BINGO

Royal Canadian Legion

4 Stewart St. Tilbury

Sunday October 4, 2026

2 pm - 5 pm

Doors open at 1:15 pm

Refreshments are available

\$5 Entry Fee

includes 1 free card

10 Regular Rounds

2 Special Rounds

1 Share the Wealth

EVERYONE WELCOME

Must be 18 yrs of age or older to play





Nos Offrandes ~ Our Offertory



Please note that although we have become a Family of Parishes, the finances of each parish will remain separate. You may deposit your offertory envelope at any one of our 4 parishes and it will be forwarded to the parish identified on the envelope.

Veuillez noter que bien que nous soyons devenus une famille de paroisses, les finances de chaque paroisse resteront séparées. Vous pouvez déposer votre enveloppe d'offrande à l'une de nos 4 paroisses et elle sera acheminée à la paroisse identifiée sur l'enveloppe.

Paroisse Immaculée Conception & Saint-Philippe Parish

September 5 septembre 2026

Envelopes (18)	\$470.00
Pre-auth. debit (26 donors)	\$890.00
+ pièces/ loose	\$5.00
	<u>\$1365.00</u>

Thanksgiving Appeal/
Campagne d'action de grâce.....\$275.00

Projet notre église / Project Our Church

Donations.....\$200.00

September 12 septembre 2026

Envelopes (31)	\$1115.00
Pre-auth. debit (18 donors)	\$400.00
+ pièces/ loose	\$35.00
	<u>\$1550.00</u>

Thanksgiving Appeal/
Campagne d'action de grâce.....\$250.00
Cimetière Immaculée Conception Cemetery.....\$300.00

Projet notre église / Project Our Church

Donations.....\$75.00

St. Francis Xavier Parish

September 5/6 septembre 2026

Envelopes (53)	\$2210.00
Pre-auth. debit (9 donors)	\$307.50
+ loose	\$152.00
	<u>\$2669.50</u>

Thanksgiving Appeal.....\$1625.00

Capital Projects

Pre-auth. debit (14 donors).....\$169.25
Donations.....\$70.00

September 12/13 septembre 2026

Envelopes (48)	\$1010.00
Pre-auth. debit (9 donors)	\$307.50
+ loose	\$233.95
	<u>\$1551.45</u>

Thanksgiving Appeal.....\$590.00
St. Francis Xavier Cemetery.....\$500.00
St. Charles Cemetery.....\$500.00

Capital Projects

Pre-auth. debit (14 donors).....\$169.25
Donations.....\$2183.24

Paroisse de la Visitation Parish

September 6 septembre 2026

Envelopes (75)	\$2795.75
Pre-auth. debit (45 donors)	\$1214.50
+ pièces/loose	\$87.25
	<u>\$4097.50</u>

Thanksgiving Appeal/
Campagne d'action de grâce.....\$896.25
Priests' Pension Collection.....\$50.00

Building Fund

Pre-auth. Debit (19 donors).....\$233.75
Donations.....\$400.00

September 13 septembre 2026

Envelopes (65)	\$1870.00
Pre-auth. debit (45 donors)	\$1214.50
+ pièces/loose	\$108.35
	<u>\$3192.85</u>

Thanksgiving Appeal/
Campagne d'action de grâce.....\$324.25

Building Fund

Pre-auth. Debit (19 donors).....\$233.75
Donations.....\$150.00

St. Peter's on the Thames Parish

September 6 septembre 2026

Envelopes (2)	\$45.00
+ pièces/loose	\$82.00
	<u>\$127.00</u>

Thanksgiving Appeal.....\$540.00

Capital Projects

Rectory Renovations.....\$500.00

September 13 septembre 2026

Envelopes (8)	\$200.00
+ pièces/loose	\$60.00
	<u>\$260.00</u>

Thanksgiving Appeal.....\$280.00

Capital Projects

Donations.....\$20.00

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES OPPORTUNITÉS D'EMPLOI

LaSalle River Canard Catholic Family of Parishes, LaSalle is seeking a Facilities Caretaker and Maintenance Coordinator . Closing date October 4th.

For these and other employment opportunities go to
Pour ces postes et d'autres possibilités d'emploi, voir

<https://dol.ca/employment>



Did you know you can give year round to Thanksgiving Appeal?

Saviez-vous que vous pouvez donner toute l'année à

La campagne d'action de grâce ?

Autumn
Fest

Bazaar

VISITATION
CHURCH HALL

5407 Comber Side Road, Comber
(Hwy 401 @ exit #48, North)

Saturday

September 26th, 2026

9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.



Baked Goods



'FREE' Coffee ALL DAY

Cash Raffle Drawn
on the Day!

1¢
SALE !!!
(Over 60 Raffle Items)

Handmade
Crafts

20+ Vendors

**Surprise
Draws!**
(Must be present to Win!)



Hosted by the Visitation
Catholic Women's League
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Autumn
Fest

Bazar

SALLE PAROISSIALE
DE L'ÉGLISE VISITATION
5407 CHEMIN DU COMTÉ 35, Comber

Samedi
le 26 septembre, 2026

9h à 14h



Vente de Pâtisseries



Café / Thé Gratuit

Tirage \$
le jour même!
20+

Vendeurs
Artisanats

Dîner Disponible



SALE !!!
(Plus de 60 articles de tirage)

Tirages Surprises!
(doit être présent
pour gagner!)



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