

February 4, 2018

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’”

- MARK 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

Readings for February 11, 2018

First Reading : Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46

As long as they are unclean they shall live alone outside the camp.

Psalm 32

You are my refuge, Lord; with deliverance you surround me.:

Second Reading : 1 Corinthians 10.31-11.1

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Gospel : Mark 1.40-45

Jesus touched the man with leprosy and he was cured.

Financial Report January 28, 2018

Regular Offertory

Envelopes \$6,254.65

Pre Authorized Payment (PAP) 1,625.00

Assessment Total 2018 \$65,850.96

Loan balance for New Roof \$50,000.00

Gift Card Report

Profit Last Week \$ 290.00

Total Profits for 2018 \$1,072.50

Profits from 2006-2017 \$276,575.96

Ongoing Profit to Date \$277,648.46

Parish Giving



Eucharistic Adoration—Monday 9.30am—Tuesday, 8.45am.

“The Sm’s universal sway as Lord and the jubilant adoration of Him by all creatures surge up out of His self-emptying. . .the son’s willing self-abasement and Eucharistic bestowal of His substance have revealed God’s Heart of Love.”

Fire of Mercy, Power of the Word, Erasmo Leiva-Merikakis. Ingatius Pres. S.t. 2012, Vol III p.760

St. John the Baptist Parish—Weekly Activities

Monday, February 5, 2018 St. Agatha

8:35 - Rosary before 9am Mass

† John D'Amore by Giovina & Beniamino DeThomasis

† Giuseppe Toracchio by Tina & Andriano Blasioli

† Rocco Palumbo by Linda & Ross Esposito

1:30-3:30pm Parish Nurse is available at the Parish Center

7pm Bible Study—the Book of Exodus

7pm Gr. 5 & 6 Youth Group Meeting—Ecole Ste Jean Baptiste

5pm Gr. 7 & 8 Youth Group Meeting—Fr. Martin Room

9:30am - 24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration- Assembly room

Tuesday, February 6, 2018 St. Paul Miki & Companions

8:35 - Rosary before 9am Mass

† Joe Weatherby by Jeannie Garinger

† Lucille Berthiaume by Loretta & Larry Lappan

† Giuseppe Dinunzio by Giuliano Iaconelli

6:30pm Youth Commission Meeting—Fr. Ware Room

7pm CWL Executive Meeting—Fr. Martin Room

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

8:35am Rosary before 9am Mass

† Maria DiDomenico by Lola Zaccagnini

† Rocco DiDiomenico by Lola Zaccagnini

Living Priests at St. John the Baptist Church by Deb & Ron Tofflemire

9:30 Book Study—Fr. Ware Room

1:30pm Centering Prayer—Fr. Martin Room

6:30pm Faith Buddies—Assembly Room

7pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting—Fr. Ware Room

7pm Baptismal Preparation—Fr. Martin Room

7pm Unveil—K of C Hall—Amherstburg

7pm Choir Practice—Church

1pm—Legionari Della Sacra Famiglia: TBA

Thursday, February 8, 2018

8:35am Rosary before 9am Mass

† Amedina Simone by Rosa & Franca Pagliarella

† Angiolina Palumbo by Vicky & Camillo DiPasquale

† Ferenzo DiGiovanni by Filomena & Guiolo DiBiase

7pm Mass

† Severino DiPierdominico by Natalina & Mario DeMarco

† Rosalina DiBartolomeo by Olivetta & Antonio Conte

† Camillo Mancini (10th Ann.) the Mancini Family

6:30pm 1st Communion Lesson Fr. Martin Room

7:30 Bible Study Fr. Ware Room

Friday, February 9, 2018

8:35am Rosary before 9am Mass

† Tricia Mornau by Deb & Bill Meloche

† Amedina Simone by Tonia & Lou Fortini

† Giovanni Conte by Maria & Donato Menna

3pm Divine Mercy Hour

4:30-6:30pm K of C Fish Fry

Saturday, February 10, 2018 St. Scholastica

8:35am Rosary before 9am Mass

† Donato D'Alimonte by Leda & Gabe Rosati

† Lorenzo DiTomasso (40th Ann.) by the DiTomasso Family

† Adele DiTomasso by the DiTomasso Family

† Antonietta DiTomasso by the DiTomasso Family

10am 1st Comm. Lesson /1pm 1st Comm. Lesson Fr. Ware Room

4-4:45pm—Reconciliation

5pm—Mass

Congratulations Judy & Joel Bezaire who are celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary today.



Sunday, February 11, 2018 World Day of the Sick

8am Mass

10am Mass—Children's Liturgy

Thank
You

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who assisted by participating in the Mass for the Protection of Unborn Children held on January 22. My heartfelt gratitude goes out to Kim Bornais and June McManemy (Readings), Agnes Seguin (Commentator) Laura Vitella and Anita Donofrio (music), the CWL for the refreshments, the Sir Knights in attendance representing the various local Assemblies, the members of the Windsor Essex Right to Life members and everyone in attendance this evening and especially to Fr. Brian Jane and Fr. Chris Pietraszko for their support on this evening.
Thank you for all your support. Deacon Len

The 10:00 a.m. **church choir** is always welcoming new **members**, but now is a better time than ever to join us! We are just beginning to rehearse our music for Lent and Easter. Help us continue to support and lead the music in our worship by singing with us! Practices are on Wednesday evenings beginning @ 7p.m. in the choir loft.



St. John the Baptist Parish 50/50 Lottery

All 500 tickets for the 50/50 Lottery have been sold for the 40 draws during 2018. \$5,000 will go to the parish and \$5,000 will be given out in cash prizes.

A special thank you to a dedicated team of sellers for your legwork to accomplish this sellout and to Gibb Insurance Brokers for sponsoring the printing costs. To our faithful buyers your support is very much appreciated.

Winners for January 28th, 2018 draw were: Joanne Higgins, Tom Breshamer, Clifford McGuire, Betty Meloche, Connie Allan, Tom Specht, Greg Nemeth, Mary Jane Murphy, Stephan Dube, Marianne Yakopich. Congratulations !

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

February 14—March 25 Spring Campaign 2018

Help save lives in Windsor! Our Windsor vigil is from 7am to 7pm every day from Wednesday, February 14th—Sunday, March 25th, 2018 Blessing Prayer: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 7pm Midpoint Rally Sunday, March 4, 2018 4:30pm closing rally Sunday, March 25, 2018 2pm. Where: Stand on public right-of-way along Tecumseh Road (sidewalk) on either side of the street. We are not allowed on Lens Avenue. Windsor Regional Hospital, Metropolitan Campus, 1995 Lens Ave Windsor.



Most of us caring, responsible parents want to instill in our children our own personal values about relationships, sex, intimacy, love, and marriage. Unfortunately, the powerful irresponsible messages of pornography may be educating our children on these very important life issues. Just as thirty-second commercials can influence whether or not we choose one popular soft drink over another, exposure to pornography shapes our attitudes and values and often our behavior.

The availability and use of pornography has become almost inescapable among adults and adolescents. Watching pornography is associated with many negative emotional, psychological, and physical health outcomes. These include increased rates of depression, anxiety, acting out and violent behavior, younger age of sexual debut, sexual promiscuity, increased risk of teen pregnancy, and a distorted view of relationships between men and women. For adults, pornography results in an increased likelihood of divorce which is also harmful to the children.

Photographs, videos, magazines, virtual games, and Internet pornography that depict rape and the dehumanization of females in sexual scenes constitute powerful but deforming tools of sex education. The danger to children stems at least partly from the disturbing changes in attitude that are facilitated by pornography. Many studies have demonstrated that exposure to significant amounts of increasingly graphic forms of pornography has a dramatic effect on how adult consumers view women, sexual abuse, sexual relationships, and sex in general.

The impact of a parent's use of pornography on the family is varied and disturbing. Pornography has significant effects during all stages of family life. Pornography eliminates the warmth of affectionate family life, which is the natural social nutrient for a growing child. For adolescents who view pornography, their attitudes toward their own and others' sexuality change, and their sexual expectations and behavior are shaped accordingly. Porn creates all sorts of problems in the marital relationship, often leading to divorce.

Our brain goes on changing throughout our lifetime, constantly rewiring itself and laying down new nerve connections, and this is particularly true in our youth. We want new knowledge and skills to be wired in our brain to stay and not be over taken by addictive desires. We need to protect our children, and teach our youth about the dangers of porn, and how to avoid being 'sucked in' like so many are. Remember, curiosity leads to exploration and it's not hard to find. And it's free til the profiteers can get you 'hooked on it' and then they make a fortune on your misery.

Last year, porn sites got more visitors each month than Netflix, Amazon, and Twitter combined. These viewers are just people who do not see the harm in what they are doing. Porn viewers begin believing that what they see is an example of love and how love should be. But, pornography is the complete opposite of real love. Love is so much better than anything you could ever see on a screen. Rose