

**IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A PRIEST?
"COME & SEE" DISCERNMENT WEEKEND**

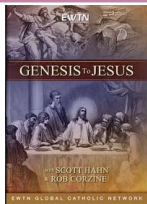
Have you ever felt that God was calling you to something more? Have you ever considered the possibility of the priesthood? Spend a weekend in prayer, discussion and reflection with priests, faculty and seminarians at St. Peter's Seminary in London, Ontario, on **March 1 - 3, 2019**. This "Come & See" weekend is open to all single men 17 years of age and older. For more information or to register, please contact Fr. Daniele Muscolino at 705-495-1501 or frdanielem@gmail.com.



Knights of Columbus' Building the Domestic Church Booklets

As we often hear in homilies, each man, woman and child is called to holiness through proclaiming the Gospel and communicating the Divine gift of love through the activities of their daily lives. We are called to evangelize and spread the message of the Gospels. The pope has even referred to the family as the domestic church. Each parish has and continues to develop its path forward with programs and activities in which we can participate. Even with these resources, many believe this is a daunting mission, perhaps a little frightening, have questions, and really don't know how to proceed. To try to help our families, we have placed a kiosk which contains engaging, faith-based literature on topics such as questions and answers about the faith, families, parenting, being a person of God and prayer. We invite you to take one of the booklets; see if it helps you with your personal mission.

ONLINE SCRIPTURE STUDY (VIDEO) FOR LENT



The same group that brought us the excellent Scripture Study series "The Bible and the Sacraments" and "The Bible and the Virgin Mary" have produced a new series called "Genesis to Jesus". Scott Hahn has called God's covenantal love for us the most important story ever told. Now, discover your own place in the story and live it out to the fullest with *Genesis to Jesus*. This study presents the whole sweep of salvation history, and helps you make sense of the Bible, literally, from Genesis to Jesus. By the end of Lent, you'll understand the importance of Easter as the eighth day of creation in light of God's unified plan for our salvation.

To watch this series on your computer, you will need to register here: https://stpaulcenter.com/streaming/?utm_source=gtj&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=gtj&utm_content=button-gtj

Hint: the easiest way to view it is to go to our online bulletin and copy the address there.

Once you do, the links to the videos will be sent to you via e-mail, beginning Ash Wednesday and continuing until Easter. **Fr. Michael highly recommends this series** to anyone who wants to delve more deeply into Scripture as a means of growing in holiness and understanding. It is a free gift to anyone who wants it. Why not use it as a part of your Lenten Journey this year?

Don't forget to invite your friends, Catholic or not; this is a study that no one should miss!

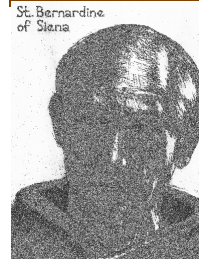
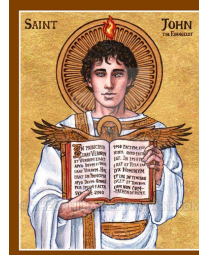
NOTE: Although the series is free, they WILL try to sell you participant guide books. These are not necessary, although some may find them helpful. Just be aware that the purchase cost of these books is in American currency.

Genesis to Jesus makes the story of salvation history brilliantly clear and vibrantly alive.

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Communion to the Sick

February 17, 2019
6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:
Tuesday— Thursday
10:00 am. to Noon

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday	4:30 pm.	St. John the Evangelist
Sunday	9:00 am.	St. Bernardine of Siena
Sunday	10:30 am.	St. John the Evangelist

WEEKDAY MASSES: See inside for this week's schedule

RECONCILIATION: Saturday mornings 11—Noon
(Use the side entrance)

CALL THE PARISH OFFICE (Fr. Michael) REGARDING:

- Home Visit & Communion or Anointing of the Sick
- Individual Celebration of Reconciliation

FOR BAPTISM, HOLY COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION & MARRIAGE:

Please speak with Fr. Michael at any weekend Mass
(6 months minimum notice is needed for Marriage)

**Mass Schedule
February 18 —February 24, 2019**

St. John the Evangelist

Date	Time	Mass Intention
Monday, February 18		No Parish Mass
Tuesday, February 19	9:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
Wednesday, February 20	9:30 a.m.	For Claudette Dumontelle by St. John's CWL
Thursday, February 21	9:30 a.m.	For Hector Jalbert by Pearl Jalbert & Family
Friday, February 22	9:30 a.m.	For Cathie Dagostino by the Bardswich Family
Saturday, February 23 THE SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	4:30 p.m.	For Lorraine Ryan by Marie Bardswich
	10:30 a.m.	For the Intentions of all Parishioners
Sunday, February 24		

St. Bernardine of Siena

Sunday, February 24	9:00 a.m.	For Richard Ducharme by Marc & Micheline Grandmaison
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World Day of Prayer 2019 By participating in this year's World Day of Prayer Service, you are joining in worship with Christians around the world and in almost 2,000 communities across Canada. This year the Service is written by women of Slovenia for all of us: This year's theme is: "Come – Everything is Ready". Mark your calendar! Please plan to join us on **Friday, March 1st at 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church** as we join the Christians of the world in prayer.



OUR PARISH MISSION (FR. ROBBIE): For those who are interested, a 9 minute video of our Parish Mission has been posted online. You can view it here: <https://youtu.be/m iy3oEtkZE> Some of you may be in it—plus, it's a good reminder of the wonderful mission we enjoyed last year. **Hint:** the easiest way to view it is to go to our online bulletin and copy the address there.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING: We met on Wednesday; the full minutes are posted on our Website. A brief summary will be published here next week. The 2018 Financial Report is enclosed in this bulletin.



Friday abstinence binds all Catholics, whereby we voluntarily abstain from eating meat on Friday as a way to help remind us of the Sacrifice of Christ for us on the Cross. It is the flip side of the Sunday Feast, in which we rejoice each week in the Resurrection. In Canada, we have the option of replacing the abstinence from meat with another act or form of devotion or penance. So, if we are choosing to eat meat on Friday, we might decide instead to pray the rosary for the intentions of the Holy Father, or make some other act of penance or piety. The point is to mark every Friday with due devotion.

Registration forms for the 2019 cycle of preparation for Holy Eucharist and Confirmation will soon be available. Watch the bulletin for details. Those who will be 7 years of age or older this year may register for the preparation needed to begin receiving Holy Eucharist. Those who will be 12 years of age or older this year may register for the preparation for Confirmation.

5 WEEK LENTEN MISSION: "The JOY of Rediscovering Jesus"

Sudbury's Christ the King Prayer group is hosting their Annual Lenten Mission, beginning on **SATURDAY, MARCH 9TH** and running for **five** consecutive Saturday mornings. Priests are available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation between 8:00am and 9:00am. The first talk is presented at 9:00am by our guest speaker, **Father Patrick Okenyi**, followed by the **Saturday Eucharist** with Bishop Marcel Damphousse and/or Father Gerald Lajeunesse.

All are welcomed to attend this special Lenten Mission at Our Lady of Hope Church, 591 Brennan Rd.

CHIT CHAT AND COFFEE: *Follows our Friday morning Mass this week. All are welcome.*

Lenten Retreat at Villa Loyola

Theme: *Who is This Man? Luke 14:16-24*

In this parable we hear about "a certain man" who gave a great feast. As we get closer to Easter, we want to know more about him. Who is this man? What kind of feast is he offering? How do I feel invited? What is my reaction?

During this retreat, through presentations, silence and personal prayer, we will explore and grow our inner knowledge of the Lord.

(Sp. Ex. #104). Personal direction will be available.

Dates: Friday March 1st (7 pm) to Sunday March 3rd (1 pm), 2019

Director: Fr. Wim Dombret, S.J.

Cost: \$200.00 all-inclusive/single accommodations

Registration: Call 705-522-3502 ext.0 (Mon—Fri) or by email at loyola@isys.ca

YOUR OFFERINGS for February 10, 2019

Thank you!

St. John the Evangelist Envelopes: \$1,302.00 Loose: \$92.00
Pre-Authorized Deductions: \$852.50 Heating: \$802.00
Initial: \$20.00 **Total: \$3,068.50**

St. Bernardine of Siena Envelopes: \$285.00 Loose: \$40.00 Heating: \$75.00
Total: \$400.00