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2019

Fr. Toby Collins, C.R. - Pastor

Fr. Daniel Lobsinger, C.R. - Associate Pastor

Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R. - Assisting Priest

Penny Laurette - Admin Assistant

Robert Tasse - Music Director

Rianne Rops - Outreach Coordinator

Andrew Olinski - Caretaker

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Closed for lunch: 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Baptism and Marriage - Please email the parish office for details and to submit your requests.

Parish Outreach - Are you interested in getting involved in outreach initiatives? Do you have ideas about how we might better serve our neighbours? If so, please contact Rianne at 519-576-3860 or rienne.stmarys@gmail.com to let her know that you're interested and/or to share your ideas.

St. Vincent de Paul - For assistance with groceries and other needs please call 226-988-5915 weekdays, except Tuesdays, between 9:00 am and noon. For information on volunteering, please email Don McClure at don@teambilton.com.

Most Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

3:00 pm (Traditional Latin Mass)

(Children's Liturgy Sept. - June at 11:00 am)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursdays: 11:15 - 11:45 am

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 pm

or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration - Thursday mornings mornings from 11:00 am - 12:00 noon and each **First Saturday** of the month, beginning with Mass at 8:00 am, followed by Adoration until 9:30 am.

Visits to the Sick - Please notify the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick. If you enter the hospital, please remember to indicate your religion and parish on the patient registration form.

Let Us Pray For One Another - If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, the members of our Parish Prayer Network will gladly pray for you. Contact the parish office to add your intention to the Prayer List.

*In your kindness, please remember St. Mary's Church
in your estate plan and when recommending
expressions of sympathy. Thank you.*

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



Welcome to St. Mary's Parish

We extend you a warm welcome and hope that you feel at home. To register with St. Mary's please complete a Registration form – either online at stmarysrcchurch.ca, or by using the form provided at all church doors.

MASS INTENTIONS

December 31, 2019 – January 5, 2020

The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Tuesday, December 31st – New Year's Eve

Numbers 6.22-27 Galatians 4.4-7 Luke 2.16-21

5:00 pm †Florence Chaplin

Wednesday, January 1st – New Year's Day

11:00 am For Our Parishioners

1:00 pm Intentions for Jane Jagas (Traditional Latin Mass)

Thursday – St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen

1 John 2.22-28 John 1.19-28

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:15 am Confession until 11:45 am

12:00 pm †John de Viveiros

Friday – ferial

1 John 2.29; 3.1-6 John 1.29-34

12:00 pm Intentions for Gregory Mariani

Saturday – ferial

1 John 3.7-10 John 1.35-42

8:00 am †Isabel Fassel

8:30 am First Saturday Adoration until 9:30 am

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Isaiah 60.1-6 Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2.1-12

5:00 pm †Casey Johnson

Sunday

8:30 am For All Benefactors of St. Mary's

11:00 am For Our Parishioners

3:00 pm ††Joseph & Florence Devereaux

(Traditional Latin Mass)



On behalf of all the staff and volunteers of St. Mary's we wish you a blessed, happy, and holy New Year!

Yours in Jesus name,
Fr. Toby, Fr. Dan, and
Fr. Joseph.

CR CORNER



It's interesting that God would choose to have such a great promise as the Messiah to be revealed and raised within the ordinary reality of a family. This reality makes the family sacred. God blesses the place where children are raised and reminds us all of the selfless and significant responsibilities of any parent, mother or father figure. Jesus is protected, taught, affirmed, fed and loved in his family. He is raised well with prayer and love until he reaches the point of public ministry where so many things that were foretold come to pass in both ordinary and miraculous ways. I wonder if we take enough time to reflect on the ordinary and miraculous occurrences within our families? That no matter how we were raised or are helping to raise children we see God's hand of love working through us? To guide, nurture, heal and form us all into disciples ready to follow Christ with our own unique context and calling.

Students at high schools sometimes share with me their desire to help families stay strong. That when these sacred spaces in which we grow experience poverty, tragedy, discrimination, internal struggle, there is a community to offer help and sometimes carry families through a process of restoration. Parents of students often speak to me about the demands made on their time and how all sorts of expectations seem overwhelming. They also speak of the constant temptations to misuse our time as the culprit for so much dysfunction. In and through it all the Holy Family reminds us that families will forever be sacred and valued by God. And that our efforts to strengthen our own families bear much fruit in the long run - just look at Jesus as an example. And even though we might be tempted to give up on family it will always remain a primary place where we encounter God's love. Whether we are brothers, sisters, friends, parents, grandparents, (natural, adopted or twice removed) we form bonds with each other every time we make a choice to love the people closest to us.

Written by Fr. Toby Collins, CR

OFFERTORY: December 22 - 25, 2019

Due to the advanced bulletin deadlines for the Christmas Season, the offertory report will be in the January 5th bulletin. Thank you for your continued generous support!

2019 DONATIONS FOR INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Financial donations to St. Mary's for the 2019 calendar year, must reach the parish no later than 11 am on Tuesday, December 31st to be included on your 2019 income tax receipt. ALL Donations received after 11 am will be receipted in 2020. Thank you for your cooperation.

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S

December:

- 29: 4:00 pm Latin Congregation Social
7:00 pm Evensong & Social
31: 9:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Outreach
8:00 pm Living Sober Group

January 2020

- 1: **HAPPY NEW YEAR**
4: **8:30 am First Saturday Adoration until 9:30 am**
9:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Outreach
4/5: **All Masses Monthly Building Fund Collection**
5: 9:30 am Coffe Social (tentative on hall reno)
12:00 am Coffe Social (tentative on hall reno)
7: 9:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Outreach
8:00 pm Living Sober Group
8: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
9: 7:00 pm 11 am Choir Rehearsal
11: 9:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Outreach
12: 12:00 pm CWL General Meeting (tentative on hall)
4:00 pm Latin Congregation Social

NEW YEAR'S OFFICE HOURS

The office will be closed from noon December 31st and will reopen Thursday, January 2nd.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR



A huge thank you to everyone who participated in our Reverse Advent Calendar event. All of your efforts will help keep our St. Vincent de Paul pantry shelves full this winter.

2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelopes are now at the back of the church for pick up. Please notify the office if there are any errors in your name and/or address so we can keep our records in order.

PLEASE DO NOT use these new envelopes until 2020, as the numbers are different. Any 2020 envelopes received in 2019 will be held until January and the donation will not appear on your tax receipt for this year. Thank you.

YOUR SUNDAY CHUCKLE!

Bulletin Bloopers:



"The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church."

"A cookbook is being compiled for the parish. Please submit your favorite recipe, also a short antidote for it."

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD



January 1st is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass times are Tuesday, December 31st at 5 pm and Wednesday, January 1st at 11 am and 1 pm (Traditional Latin). The Blessed Virgin Mary said "yes" to God and gave birth to his son, Jesus. This event enriches and blesses our lives and our families. We can make our homes places where love for Jesus is fostered. As we welcome this new year, may we be blessed by God and experience the peace that can come to us only through Christ.

January 1st is also World Day of Peace. Spend some time with your family to pray for peace around the world.

ST. MARY'S CWL GENERAL MEETING



Sunday, January 12th, following 11 am Mass.


This is our first meeting of the New Year! We ask you to please bring a brown bag lunch and we will arrange tea and coffee as we are not sure at this time on the progress of the hall renovations. There will be a special Liturgy to "ring in" the New Year! January is the time when you are reminded of your Membership Fee being due - the fee is still \$25.00! Thank you for your kind attention to this matter. Looking forward to seeing you, as we share Prayer and Fellowship.

WINTER OUTERWEAR DONATIONS

We are continuing to collect emergency winter **outerwear** throughout the winter season. Donations of coats, hats, gloves, scarves and boots can be dropped off in the white bin at the back of the church. Items are available in our parish hall for anyone who needs it, and are also sent to the overflow shelters as needed.

SANDWICHES FOR THE HOMELESS

St. Mary's has been continuing to support the homeless by sending 100 sandwiches to St. Mark's overflow shelter every Friday evening until April. Each of the parish groups has been contacted and invited to sign up for a Friday. If your group has been missed and you would like to participate, email Rianne at rianne.stmarys@gmail.com. A special thank you to Jacqueline Heidenreich for coordinating this fantastic initiative! We are collecting donations for cheese, deli meat, and soft bread, either in-kind or through the Interac machine at the back of the church. Thank you!



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