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JUBILEE OF MERCY

December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016



Father George Nowak, CR - Pastor

Father Paul Szymanowski, CR - Associate Pastor

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

Parish Registration - We encourage everyone who regularly attends St. Mary's to become a registered parishioner. Forms are located at all doors of the church, the parish office and website. Please inform the office of any changes of address or telephone number.

Baptism and Marriage - Church policy requires that the Sacraments be performed in the parish located closest to you geographically - <u>unless</u> you are registered and regularly attend elsewhere. At St. Mary's, the Sacraments are available to **registered**, **regularly attending parishioners only.** Baptism is celebrated on the second Sunday of the month. Please contact the parish office at least 1 month prior to your preferred date. For details regarding marriage, contact the parish office <u>at least</u> one year before the preferred date.

Priesthood and Religious Life - Is God calling you to Religious Life as a Brother, Deacon or Priest? Learn about the life and ministry of the members of the Congregation of the Resurrection by visiting www.resurrectionists.ca/vocations or contact Fr. Toby Collins, CR, Vocation Director, at 226-989-1057 or crvocations@gmail.com. All enquires are confidential.

Most Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am 9:15 am (German/English) 11:00 am

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

Weekday Masses and Devotions

Please Refer to the Schedule Inside Bulletin

Confession

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 pm Weekdays: Before Daily Mass

Rosary - Monday to Friday after Mass

Eucharistic Adoration - Thursday 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 12:00 noon.

Quiet Time for Prayer and Reflection - The Church is open weekdays between 12 noon and 1:00 pm or by appointment for those who wish to pray.

Visits to the Sick - Please notify the parish office to arrange for Confession, Holy Communion and/or Sacrament of the Sick. If you enter the hospital, be sure 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.

Bulletin Announcement Deadline: Monday's by 4:00 pm.

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

Mass Schedule and Intentions This Week February 22 - 28, 2016

Monday - Chair of St. Peter

1 Peter 5.1-4 Matthew 16.13-19

12:10 pm ††Gerard and Audry Wunder

Tuesday - St. Polycarp

Isaiah 1.10, 16-20, 27-28, 31++ Matthew 23.1-12

7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am Intentions of Subhadra Costa

Wednesday - ferial

Jeremiah 18.18-20 Matthew 20.17-28

7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am For All Who Serve in the Military

Thursday - ferial

Jeremiah 17.5-10 Luke 16.19-31

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy

12:10 pm For the Beatification of the Founders of the

Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday -ferial

Genesis 37.3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28 Matthew 21.33-43, 45-46

11:30 am Stations of the Cross
12:10 pm †Bernard Charlebois

Saturday - ferial

Micah 7.14-15, 18-20 Luke 15.1-3, 11-32

8:00 am ††Ed and Jo Boudreau

4:00 pm Confessions

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Exodus 3.1-8a, 13-15 1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12 Luke 13.1-9

Annual Easter Flower Collection

5:00 pm For All Those on Our Prayer Network List

<u>Sunday</u>

8:00 am For All Benefactors of St. Mary's

9:15 am †Viktor Pomper, Intentions of John &

Marianne Heffner on Their 15th Wedding

Anniversary

11:00 am For Our Parishioners

Peter, John, and James had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our lives. If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit resurrectionists.ca/vocations.

DIARY of Nate Marks Families boundless

DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION In My Grace

<u>Meditation</u>: Know that if you neglect the matter of the painting of the image and the whole work of mercy, you will have to answer for a multitude of souls on the day of judgment (*Diary*, 154).

Not in the beauty of the colour, nor of the brush

lies the greatness of this image, but in My grace (Diary, 1308).

My Prayer Response: Jesus, by the grace that flows from Your image, strengthen and inspire me to proclaim Your mercy to many. Remind me always that the greatness of this image lies in Your grace.

Coming Up at St. Mary's

Feb. 21:	10:15 am	German Congregation Social
Feb. 22:	5:30 pm	CWL Executive Meeting
Feb. 23:	11:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
Feb. 27/28:	All Masse	s - Easter Flower Fund Collection
Mar. 1:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
Mar. 2:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
Mar. 3:	1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Mar. 5:	8:30 am	Our Lady of Sorrows Devotions
Mar. 5/6:	All Masse	s - Building & Maintenance Collection
Mar. 8:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
Mar. 9:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
Mar. 10:	1:00 pm	German Men's & Ladies Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Mar 12/13:	All Masses	- Share Lent Collection
Mar 13:	12:00 pm	CWL General Meeting

HYMN FOR THE JUBILEE OF MERCY

The following is the refrain for a hymn that will be used frequently at St. Mary's and worldwide during the Jubilee of Mercy year. You are invited to participate in singing it.

Hymn for the Year of Mercy (Refrain)



LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

<u>During Lent</u>, our regular weekday Mass schedule will prevail <u>except on Fridays</u> when we have Stations of the Cross at 11:30 am, followed by Mass at 12:10 pm. Please note there is no Morning Prayer or 8 am Mass on Friday's during Lent.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

SVdeP, St Mary's Conference, traditionally, has only one annual food drive on Thanksgiving Weekend. However, nonperishable food donations are needed year round to supplement Food Bank provisions for the food hampers our parish distributes. To replenish our SvdeP cupboard when Local Food Bank provisions fall short of the growing demand, a list of needed foods will be posted in the bulletin, biweekly. Your food donations can now be placed in a basket marked SVdeP under the pew outside the Lower Hall. Food vouchers, for perishable items, for our clients will continue to be funded from your monthly monetary donations. All of your donations are greatly appreciated and distributed with great care. Currently, we are in urgent need of boxed cereals, canned fruits, vegetables and canned pastas.

OFFERTORY: February 13 - 14, 2016

Sunday Envelopes (166)	\$3,327.00	
Loose Donations	\$	247.65
Building & Maintenance Fund (5)	\$	60.00
Seminary Education	\$	736.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

Events in Our Area

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND MUSICAL REFLECTION

with John B. Miller and Friends. All events start at 7 pm and run about an hour. A free will offering is requested for the musicians. For more information, email john@johnbmiller.ca.

February 26th - Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Waterloo March 11th - St. Clements Church, St. Clement March 18th - Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph

FREEPORT HOSPITAL, KITCHENER

PRAYER VIGIL

Thursday, March 3rd **from 9 - 10 am**, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday, March 4th. Through this Day, we affirm our faith in Jesus Christ and engage with the whole world; are enriched by the faith experience of over 170 countries and cultures; share the burdens of other people praying with them and for them; and use our own talents in the service of God's world. Services will be held in Kitchener at:

Trinity United Church at 12 Noon, followed by lunch St. Anne Roman Catholic Church at 1 pm
St Aloysius Roman Catholic Church at 2 pm
Stanley Park Baptist Church at 2 pm
St Teresa Roman Catholic Church at 7 pm

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE KING, HAMILTON 160th ANNIVERSARY OF THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

On February 29th the Diocese of Hamilton will celebrate its 160th Anniversary! The Diocese was established in 1856 by Pope Pius IX as a division of the Archdiocese of Toronto, in order to meet the needs of a rapidly growing Catholic community in Ontario. The Diocese of Hamilton has flourished through the leadership of its Bishops and the faith of its clergy, religious communities, and dedicated parishioners.

Join us on Sunday, February 28th at 11 am. His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving and the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Luigi Bonazzi, will preach the homily for the Anniversary Mass. All are welcome.

THEN AND NOW

1856

Bishop John Farrell was the first bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton, installed on May 24, 1856 in Hamilton's St. Mary's Church. There were estimated to be 28,000 Catholics in the region, with 9 parishes and 16 missions. There were only 4 priests and 3 Sisters of St. Joseph to help with this ministry.

1956

Bishop Joseph Ryan was the bishop, the sixth for the Diocese of Hamilton. He was installed on October 19, 1937. Bishop Ryan was a "true son" of the diocese, having been born and educated in the Diocese of Hamilton. The diocese was comprised of 86 parishes, 28 missions, and 112,000 Catholics. There were 223 active priests, 9 religious congregations of men, and 10 religious congregations of women.

2016

Bishop Douglas Crosby is the ninth bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton, having been installed on November 8, 2010. The Hamilton Diocese has grown to become the second largest English-speaking Roman Catholic Diocese in Canada. There are currently 124 parishes, 22 missions, and over 600,000 Catholics. We have 151 active priests, 13 religious congregations of men, and 13 religious congregations of women.

ST. TERESA OF AVILA PARISH HALL, ELMIRA

FISH FRY

Friday, March 4th. There will be two sittings – 5 pm and 6:30 pm. Take out will be at 6 pm. Cost: Adults \$15; Children (12 & under) \$8; and Take Out is \$15. Advanced tickets are available until March 2nd. Purchase your tickets from the St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9 am and 1 pm or call (519) 669-3387. Don't miss out on this popular annual dinner hosted by The Knights of Columbus Council 8192.

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