

St. Mary Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows Roman Catholic Church

56 Duke Street West, Kitchener ON N2H 3W7



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Welcome to St. Mary's Parish!

No matter who you are or where you're from, we extend you a warm welcome and hope that you feel at home. For information on registration and to find out how you can get more involved with parish activities, please contact us at:

Phone: 519-576-3860

Email: stmarys@rogers.com

Website: www.stmarysrcchurch.ca

Our Parish Team

Fr. Toby Collins, C.R. – Pastor
Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R. – Assisting Priest
Penny Laurette – Administrative Assistant
Robert Tasse – Music Director
Amy Cyr – Chef, Kitchen Project Manager
Andrew Olinski – Caretaker

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Friday: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Parish Outreach

Are you interested in getting involved? Do you have ideas about how we might better serve our neighbours? If so, please contact the parish office at stmarys@rogers.com.

St. Vincent de Paul

For assistance with groceries and other needs call 226-988-5915 weekdays, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. For information on volunteering, please email Don McClure at don@teambilton.com.

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday – Friday: 12:00 noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursdays: 11:30 – 11:50 am
Saturday: 4:00 – 4:30 pm
and by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday after Mass until 1:00 pm

Baptism and Marriage

Please email the parish office for details.

Visits to the Sick

Please contact the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion and Sacrament of the Sick.

Tiny Home Takeout



Everyone deserves a great meal, free of charge. Visit us Tuesday – Saturday from 5 – 6:30 pm and 'grab a bite, give if you can'! Visit tinyhometakeout.com for more information.

MASS INTENTIONS March 1 - 6, 2022



Tuesday – ferial

1 Peter 1.10-16 Mark 10.28-31

12:00 pm †Margaret Mary Hill

Wednesday – Ash Wednesday

Joel 2.12-18 2 Corinthians 5.20-6.2 Matthew 6.1-6, 16-18

12:00 pm For the Renewal of Our Hearts During Lent

Thursday – ferial

Deuteronomy 30.15-20 Luke 9.22-25 11:30 am Confession until 11:50 am

12:00 pm †Jakob Berschl

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm

Friday – ferial

Isaiah 58.1-9a Matthew 9.14-15 11:30 am Stations of the Cross

12:00 pm ++Joanne & Zorica Markovic

<u>Saturday – ferial</u>

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Deuteronomy 26.4-10 Romans 10.8-13 Luke 4.1-13

5:00 pm For the Intentions of Zosia Gruszczynski, †Douglas Farwell, †Paulina Dresar

Sunday

8:30 am †Guenter Cwiklenski & Familiy and the Kuepeck Family

11:00 am For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY - February 19/20, 2022

Sunday Offertory \$1,620.00
Building Fund \$100.00
Seminary Education \$20.00
Outreach \$85.00

Thank you to all our Parishioners, Visitors and Benefactors for your generous support!

SORROW TO JOY!

Recently at A Better Tent City, there were a few more hours of carpentry work that needed to take place so that everything would be safe and sound for doing laundry. We were exhausted from all of the work that went into building decks and installing the electrical and plumbing! And we were sad that we still had the "extra mile" to run and many people had to take a much needed break.

But new energy arrived when "Carpenter Paul" stepped up with one of the residents named Rick right along side him. Not only did they finish the job in time for inspection but they "wowed" the residents with their speed and willingness to see the job to the finish line without asking for anything in return.

What joy we all experienced when it passed the final inspection! It was only surpassed by the joy on the faces of residents who could now do their laundry on site for the first time! So many good hearts working together creating joy when it was so easy to despair. May God bless all of our volunteers!

Written by: Fr. Toby Collins, C.R.



VOCATION SEEDS

"In the Lord your labour is not in vain". Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard? Pray to hear God's call. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Raphael Ma, C.R., Director of Vocations Congregation of the Resurrection 519-885-3030 ext. 130.

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 2nd. Ashes will be distributed during Mass at 12 noon. This unique part of our liturgical calendar calls us to re-examine our lives under the three themes of prayer, fasting and alms-giving. These themes will be in all of the readings and homilies at the Masses during Lent. Our intention is always to draw closer to God and our neighbour and we invite you to enter into this season with us - hands open to receiving God's grace and hearts renewed for more opportunities to share God's love.

PLEASE NOTE: Parking is available for Mass in the church lot at Young & Duke Streets.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Join us every Friday at 11:30 am during Lent for Stations of the Cross, followed by 12 noon Mass.

IN OUR AREA

2022 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada (www.wicc.org) annual World Day of Prayer will be celebrated in **Kitchener** on **Friday, March 4th.** The program material this year was prepared by the Churches of England, Wales & Northern Ireland, with the theme, "I Know the Plans I have for You". The Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada (WICC) has prepared a 55 min. video for our use.

You can watch the video on Rogers Cable channel 20 on Friday at 8:30 am or 5 pm. You can also join a Zoom session, followed by a discussion and prayer session hosted by one of the following churches:

St Matthews Lutheran 11 am (<u>info@stmattskw.com</u>) St Andrew's Presbyterian 7 pm

(office.coordinator@standrewskw.com). Please email the churches directly before March 3rd, to get the zoom link. You may also attend in-person service at **St George's of Forest Hill Anglican** 10 am (or by livestream at stgeorgefh@golden.net

St Mark's Catholic 7 pm Mass with video following (519-571-9200)

St John the Evangelist Anglican Saturday, March 5th, 11 am. We ask that you register before due to COVID restrictions. The link for registration is:

https://forms.gle/3kHmYZ7c3XL3CFjv6 If you have issues with the link, call the office at 519-743-0228 or email at office@stjohn316.com."

You can go directly to www.wicc.org and view the video or join a nation-wide Zoom on Saturday, March 12th at 1 pm (please pre-register for the Zoom)

All donations this year must be made directly to WICC at their website or mailed to:

Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada 47 Queen's Park Crescent East, Toronto, ON M5S 2C3

A LETTER FROM BISHOP CROSBY

Dear Parishioners:

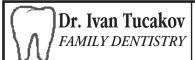
Pope Francis has called a Synod of Bishops which will take place in Rome in 2023 on the theme of **Synodality: Communion, Participation and Mission**. Synodality is all about how we walk together in faith and live as the People of God at this moment on our faith journey.

As preparation for the Synod, Pope Francis has invited all members of the Church and, in fact, the whole world, to share their experience of listening to God's voice. Everyone is invited to share their experience of faith and thoughts on how we can move forward together to carry out the Mission of Christ, entrusted to us in Baptism.

I invite everyone in the Diocese of Hamilton to participate in this preparation process. It is important that all voices be heard. Therefore, I am asking pastors and parishioners to gather, to the extent possible given the current Covid protocols, to discuss and respond to a series of proposed questions. These questions are found in the leaflet which is in today's bulletin (or at the entrance of the church). If you are not able to gather, you may respond individually to the questions by completing the printed form and return it to your Parish by March 28, 2022. You may also respond to the questions electronically by going on-line to http://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/.

This invitation of Pope Francis to "let your voice be heard" is an extraordinary opportunity for all of us to discover how the Holy Spirit is speaking in the Church today. I pray that all of us will experience personally the blessings of this Synod process.

Sincerely in Christ and Mary Immaculate (Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI Bishop of Hamilton



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