

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

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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 January 25 - 30, 2022



Tuesday - The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Acts 22.3-16 Mark 16.15-18

12:00 pm †Casey Johnson

Wednesday - St. Timothy & St. Titus

2 Timothy 1.1-8 Luke 10.1-9

12:00 pm †John Heffner

<u>Thursday – ferial</u>

2 Samuel 7.18-19, 24-29 Mark 4.21-25 11:30 am Confession until 11:50 am

12:00 pm †Katherine Bortscher

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm

Friday - St. Thomas Aquinas

2 Samuel 11.1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Mark 4.26-34

12:00 pm †Barbara Ugrin

Saturday – ferial

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19 1 Corinthians 12.31-13.13 Luke 4.21-30

5:00 pm †Kevin Cowan

Sunday

8:30 am †Adolf Kump

11:00 am For Our Parishioners

OFFERTORY - January 15/16, 2022

Sunday Offertory Mary, Mother of God

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

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FROM SORROW TO JOY!

The Mystery Bus

My friend Dan and I were staying in dorms while at a conference at a university. At a talk we had heard the one liner: "I am alright, Jesus is with me!" We needed to take the bus to the auditorium for the closing Mass and needed to be at the bus stop ASAP in order to catch the last bus but my friend was dithering and not hurrying to get to the stop. Long story short, the bus stop came in to our sight just as the last bus was leaving. To put it mildly, I was quite upset and spoke harshly to my friend and blamed him for missing the bus, missing Mass and ruining the entire conference experience for me.

He simply looked at me and said: "We are alright, Jesus is with us!" I lost it! What do you mean Jesus is with us? We just lost the last bus and unless Jesus has a car we are not getting to the closing Mass! The rant went on for several minutes, just long enough for a bus to come by and stop right in front of us. The bus driver opened the door and said: "Hey guys! I wasn't supposed to come back to the campus to make another run but I really felt the Holy Spirit call me to do so and here I am. Get aboard and I'll take you to the Mass.

Talk about turning Sorrow into Joy! We were alright, Jesus was with us! I had learned that phrase and was hoping to use it in my life. However, hearing it was not enough for me to learn it. I needed to experience it and Jesus provided me with the "mystery bus" experience to help get the phrase into my thick skull! So my sorrow was turned into joy that day and it still continues to happen to me in many wondrous ways to this day! During these trying times let us always remember: "I am alright, Jesus is with me!"

Written by: Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R.

TINY HOME TAKEOUT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!

We are still looking for volunteers to help out at Tiny Home Takeout. There are 3 shifts available: 10 am - 2 pm, 1 - 5 pm or 4 - 8 pm Tuesday through Saturday. If you are available for 1 or more shifts a week please email tinyhometakeout@gmail.com.

WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE



Wednesday, February 2nd. The purpose of this day is "to help the entire Church to esteem ever more greatly the witness of those persons who have chosen to follow Christ by means of the practice of the

evangelical counsels". Catholics throughout the world are invited on this day to give thanks for those men and women who live out their baptismal commitment by professing the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience. We pray for those who have dedicated their lives to God through these vows, especially our priests here at St. Mary's and all those who are living and serving within our Diocese of Hamilton. We also pray for the many men and women from our Diocese who are currently in formation with various religious communities.

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE



Thursday, February 3rd. Mass will be celebrated at 12 noon with the blessing of throats. Everyone is invited to attend.

Prayer: Through the intercession of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr, may God

deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

St. Mary Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows began serving the community in 1857 and remains today a strong symbol of faith. The continued support of her parishioners has never been more important. Please consider the Church as you prepare or update your estate and financial plans. A modest gift by the way of bequest in your will or insurance policy can make a substantial difference to the future of your Church. We can all ensure that St. Mary's will be in a stable and secure position for future generations. We would like to take this opportunity to remember and thank all those who have gifted St. Mary's in the past and to thank all those who are considering to help her in the future.

VOCATION SEEDS

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

IN OUR AREA

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

We are excited to offer another year of engaging films, that spotlight issues of social, political, and economic injustice. Join us January 27, 2022 at 7 pm for "There's Something in the Water". The film documents environmental racism in Nova Scotia, revealing a portrait of ecological and social disaster, where rural areas are plagued by toxic fallout from industrial development and your postal code determines your health. This is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online to view our schedule or to register for any of our virtual screenings!

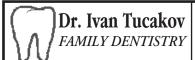
at https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/

MOUNT MARY IMMACULATE RETREAT CENTRE

We are now open and accepting group and personal retreat bookings for 2022! With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space Mount Mary is an ideal location for those seeking a retreat experience. Groups of all types are welcome for a day or for an overnight stay. For more information please visit: www.mountmary.ca.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Some people drift into their relationships over a number of years, but it can also be said that people drift out of their relationships as well. We can become complacent and take for granted all the nice things are spouse does for us and/or sometimes we stop doing nice things for them. Over time we compliment less, spend less time together, stop sharing our day, feelings, or hopes and dreams and suddenly lose sight of the other. When we continue to treat our relationship as new, taking the time to discover who the other is and complimenting them for it, we stay firmly attached instead of drifting apart.



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