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Under the Guidance and Administration of the Religious Fathers of The Congregation of the Resurrection www.resurrectionist.ca

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 January 25 - 31, 2016

Monday - The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle

Acts 22.3-16 Mark 16.15-18 **12:10 pm †Grace Hartlieb**

Tuesday - St. Timothy and St. Titus

2 Timothy 1.1-8 Luke 10.1-9 7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am ††Ed and Jo Boudreau

Wednesday - St. Angela Merici

2 Samuel 7.1-17++ Mark 4.1-20 7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am For All Parish Volunteers

Thursday - St. Thomas Aquinas

2 Samuel 7.18-19, 24-29 Mark 4.21-25 11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration 11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy

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

Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday - ferial

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

7:30 am Morning Prayer **8:00 am** †Da-Costa Edouard

Saturday - Our Lady's Saturday

2 Samuel 12.1-7a, 10-17 Mark 4.35-41 **8:00** am **††Ed and Jo Boudreau**

4:00 pm Confessions

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

5:00 pm All Benefactors of St. Mary's, ††John and

Bonnie Malleck

Sunday

8:00 am For Persecuted Christians

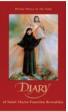
9:15 am †Josephine Matzelle, ††Sophie and Karl

Eppich, †Adolf Kump

11:00 am Our Parishioners

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 you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit www.resurrectionists.ca/vocations.

DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION



Meditation: Write: I am Thrice Holy, and I detest the smallest sin. I cannot love a soul which is stained with sin; but when it repents, there is no limit to My generosity toward it. My mercy embraces and justifies it. With My mercy, I pursue sinners along all their paths, and My Heart rejoices when they return to Me. I forget the bitterness

with which they fed My Heart and rejoice at their return (Diary, 1728).

The Lord said to me, **Enter into purgatory often, because they need you there.** O my Jesus, I understand the meaning of these words which You are speaking to me, but first let me enter the treasury of Your mercy (*Diary*, 1738).

My Prayer Response: O Thrice Holy God, You detest even the smallest sin in souls. Hear my plea for Your mercy on us sinners on earth and those in purgatory. Cleanse us as we repent and return to You. May our return give You joy. (Courtesy of Lighthouse Catholic Media)

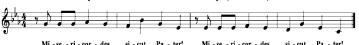
Coming Up at St. Mary's

		
Jan. 25:	5:30 pm	CWL Executive Meeting
Jan. 26:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
Jan. 27:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
Jan. 28:	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 pm	RTL Candle-Light Prayer Vigil Talk/Social
Feb. 2:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
Feb. 3:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
Feb. 4:	1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Feb. 6:	8:30 am	Eucharistic Adoration until 12 noon
	8:30 am	Our Lady of Sorrows Devotions
	All Masses	Monthly Building Fund Collection
Feb. 9:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Meeting
Feb. 10:	ASH WE	DNESDAY
	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
Feb. 11:	1:00 pm	German Men's and Ladies Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Feb. 14:	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)



2015 TAX RECEIPTS

Receipts are now available at the main doors of the church for pick-up. PLEASE take yours whether you need it or not!. By law, we must mail out what does not get picked up. On average, it costs the parish about \$300 a year to mail leftover receipts. Any receipts not picked up by February 15th will have to be mailed out. Help us save postage costs! Thank you.

KITCHENER CITY HALL (SKATING RINK)/ST. MARY'S LOWER HALL CANDLE - LIGHT PRAYER VIGIL

Thursday, January 28th at 6 pm. At 7 pm, walk the short distance to St. Mary's for refreshments. Speaker Tim Runstedler, KW RTL Board Member, will speak about Euthanasia and the new proposed law for Canada and its implications. All are welcome.

28 YEARS WITHOUT A LAW - On January 28th, 1988, the Supreme Court of Canada struck down all legal abortion restrictions leaving more victims than the unborn. Perpetual Adoration Thursday, January 28th, St. Teresa Parish Chapel, Kitchener, beginning at 9 pm until 9 pm Friday, January 29th.

OLD PALMS

Please begin bringing in your old palms, so we may burn them in time for Ash Wednesday. Baskets will be at all church doors for you to place them in starting next weekend. Thank you.

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

<u>Tuesday, February 2nd</u>. Mass will be celebrated at **8 am** with the traditional ceremony for the blessing of candles at the beginning of Mass.

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

Wednesday, February 3rd. Mass will be celebrated at 8 am with the blessing of throats. Everyone is invited to attend.

Prayer: Through the prayers of St. Blaise, may God free you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



ASH WEDNESDAY

February 10th. Ashes will be distributed during Mass at 8 am and 12:10 pm. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting and abstinence. The laws of fasting apply to those between the ages of 18 and 59. The obligation to abstain from meat binds those who are 14 years of age and older.

OFFERTORY: JANUARY 16 - 17, 2016

Sunday Envelopes (198)\$	3,530.25
Loose Donations \$	338.15
Building & Maintenance Fund (6) \$	85.00
New Year's Donations \$	60.00
Initial Donations\$	75.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

Events in Our Area

ST. TERESA CHURCH, KITCHENER

ANNUAL TWILIGHT RETREAT

Tuesday, January 26th. Retreat Master: Fr. Toby Collins, Vocation Director for the Congregation of the Resurrection. Tickets are \$15 for the meal. To purchase tickets or more information contact Jane at 519-744-8330.

ST. JOHN CHURCH HALL, KITCHENER

D & P SHARE LENT WORKSHOP

Tuesday, January 26th at 7 pm. Anyone interested in the work of D & P is encouraged to attend.

MOUNT CARMEL MONASTERY, ST. AGATHA

DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Saturday, January 30th. The Discalced Carmelite Sisters from Mount Carmel in St. Agatha invite all women interested in religious life to join them for a day of prayer, teaching, and discernment. For more information and registration, please visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, KITCHENER

KW COUPLES FOR CHRIST - CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM

Thursdays from 7 - 9 pm, beginning February 4th.

EVERYONE, married or single, is invited to attend. This 8 week program will help you grow in your relationship with our Lord. Come live a fuller life in the Holy Spirit through inspiring talks, discussion, fellowship and song. A separate children's program is offered at the same time. There is no cost, and refreshments will be provided. Please contact Scott Piggott or Rita Rudolph at 519-581-1389 for more information.

ST. MARK PARISH HALL, KITCHENER

WINTER GAMES NIGHT

Wednesday, February 3rd. Doors open at 6 pm. Join us for an evening of cards or bring your favourite board game! Admission: \$8 (includes sandwiches, desserts, drinks). Cards will also be provided. PRIZES!!!

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