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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 February 1 - 7, 2016

Monday - ferial

2 Samuel 15.13-14, 30; 16.5-13a Mark 5.1-20

12:10 pm ††Ed and Jo Boudreau

Tuesday - The Presentation of the Lord

Malachi 3.1-4 Luke 2.22-40 7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am Intentions for Sylvia Boegel

Wednesday - St. Blaise and St. Ansgar

2 Samuel 24.2, 9-17 Mark 6.1-67:30 am Morning Prayer8:00 am Souls in Purgatory

Thursday - ferial

1 Kings 2.1-4, 10-12 Mark 6.7-1311:00 am Eucharistic Adoration11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy

12:10 pm For the Superior General of the Congregation

of the Resurrection, Intentions for Beverly

Knight

Friday -St. Agatha

Sirach 47.2-11 Mark 6.14-29
7:30 am Morning Prayer
8:00 am †Da-Costa Edouard

Saturday - St. Paul Miki and Companions

1 Kings 3.4-13 Mark 6.30-34

8:00 am ††Ed and Jo Boudreau

8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration until 12:00 pm

4:00 pm Confessions

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 6.1-2a, 3-8 1 Corinthians 15.1-11 Luke 5.1-11 Monthly Building & Maintenance Fund Collection

5:00 pm Intentions for Andrew Olinski, †Rosemary

Traplin, ††Rose and Rita Schiebel

<u>Sunday</u>

8:00 am ††Bea and Ted Shea, Intentions for Sylvia

Keresztes

9:15 am

11:00 am Our Parishioners

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering religious life or priesthood. If you feel God's call to priesthood or consecrated life, visit www.resurrectionists.ca/vocations.

Diary

DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION

Pray for Your Enemies

Meditation: My daughter, in this meditation, consider the love of neighbour. Is your love for your neighbour guided by My love? Do you pray for your enemies? Do you wish well to those who have, in one way or another, caused you sorrow or offended you?

Know that whatever good you do to any soul, I accept it as if you had done it to Me (Diary, 1768).

My Prayer Response: Lord Jesus, help me to pray for my enemies and for those who have caused me sorrows. Teach me to live Your word: "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of Mine, you did for Me (Mt 25:40). (Courtesy of Lighthouse Catholic Media)

Coming Up at St. Mary's

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	
Feb. 6/7:	All Masse	s Monthly Building Fund Collection	
Feb. 9:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Meeting	
Feb. 10: ASH WEDNESDAY			
	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal	
Feb. 11:	1:00 pm	German Men's and Ladies Group	
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	
Feb. 13/14:	All Masses	Annual Seminary Education Collection	
Feb. 14:	12:00 pm	CWL General Meeting	
Feb. 16:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group	
Feb. 17:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal	
Feb. 18:	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	
Feb. 21:	10:15 am	German Congregation Social	

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)



OLD PALMS

Please bring in your old palms, so we may burn them in time for Ash Wednesday. Baskets are at all church doors for you to place them in. Thank you.

2015 TAX RECEIPTS

Receipts are still 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. 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

<u>Wednesday, February 3rd</u>. 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.



PRAYER SHAWL GROUP



<u>Thursday, February 4th at 1 pm.</u> Do you knit/crochet or would like to learn? Join us in the Lower Hall. Hope to see you there.

Please remember: Prayer shawls for those experiencing difficulties and joyous events

are <u>free</u> and available in the parish office. Donations to defray the cost of yarn are greatly appreciated.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS DEVOTIONS

<u>Saturday, February 6th, after 8 am Mass</u>. All are welcome to join us! We meet at the back of the church to pray the Seven Sorrows Rosary and then gather in the Lower Hall for a time of meditation and discussion. Come and grow in devotion to our loving Mother Mary.



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.

THINKING OF A PRIESTLY/RELIGIOUS VOCATION?

Learn about the life and the ministry of the members of the Congregation of the Resurrection by visiting resurrectionists.ca.

OFFERTORY: JANUARY 23 - 24, 2016

Sunday Envelopes (195)	\$4,	083.75
Loose Donations	\$	346.40
Building & Maintenance Fund (2)	\$	52.00
New Year's Donations	\$	2.00
Initial Donations	\$	25.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

Events in Our Area

FREEPORT HOSPITAL, KITCHENER

PRAYER VIGIL

Thursday, February 4th from 9 - 10 am, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking across the road, Schneider Park. kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com.

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH, KITCHENER

KW COUPLES FOR CHRIST - CHRISTIAN LIFE PROGRAM

Thursdays from 7 - 9:30 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.

KITCHENER KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



This past dynamic year of 2015 was filled with many community endeavours and countless fund-raising ventures aided by public support: The Knights visiting Our Everyday Heroes (infirmed youngsters and young adults); Coats

for Kids drive collecting almost 300 coats; K of C members serving a hearty meal at St. Matthews Lutheran Church each month; Kitchener's parishioners receiving free K of C Christmas Buttons; The K of C sponsored Christmas Concert; The K of C Children's Christmas Party; K of C Bingo Team members volunteering for one of our major fund-raising projects; Charitable funds raised by the construction and sale of K of C Nativity Scenes and the collection and recycling of electronic waste and scrap metal. Kitchener Knights of Columbus donated almost \$25,000. to our parishes, schools, foundations and the many community social agencies. This achievement is the result of our devoted community that continues to support us in our charitable endeavours. Thank you and God bless.

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