

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

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*Under the Guidance and Administration of the Religious Fathers of The Congregation of the Resurrection*  
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## The 160th Anniversary of Our Parish

The building of the first church extended from 1854 to 1856, and the assignment of a residing Pastor the following year, officially marked the establishment of the Parish

IN 2017 WE CELEBRATE

## The Centennial of the Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima

We are asked to do penance and pray the Rosary for the conversion of sinners and for peace in the world



**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 our 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 - unless 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 parishioners inquiring about marriage, contact the parish office at least 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](http://www.resurrectionists.ca/vocations) or contact Fr. Toby Collins, CR, Vocation Director, at 226-989-1057 or [crvocations@gmail.com](mailto: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*

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



### **Welcome to St. Mary's Parish!**

We extend you a warm welcome and pray that you feel at home. If you are new to St. Mary's, please introduce yourself and consider becoming a member of our Parish Family by completing a registration form.

### **Mass Schedule and Intentions January 9 - 15, 2017**

#### **Monday - Baptism of The Lord**

Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7 Matthew 3.13-17

**12:10 pm †Ted Nowak**

#### **Tuesday - ferial**

Hebrews 2.5-12 Mark 1.21-28

7:30 am Morning Prayer

**8:00 am Intentions for Marcus Kemp**

#### **Wednesday - ferial**

Hebrews 2.14-18 Mark 1.29-39

7:30 am Morning Prayer

**8:00 am †Vladimir Dvorak**

#### **Thursday - St. Marquerite Bourgeois**

Hebrews 3.7-14 Mark 1.40-45

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy

**12:10 pm For Vocations to the Congregation of the Resurrection, †Michael Wingert**

#### **Friday - St. Hilary**

Hebrews 4.1-5, 11 Mark 2.1-12

7:30 am Morning Prayer

**8:00 am Special Intention**

#### **Saturday - Our Lady's Saturday**

Hebrews 4.12-16 Mark 2.13-17

**8:00 am For Persecuted Christians**

4:00 pm Confessions

### **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Isaiah 49.3, 5-6 1 Corinthians 1.1-3 John 1.29-34

**5:00 pm †Ada Roussy, †Kathleen Tasse**

#### **Sunday**

**8:00 am Our Parishioners**

**9:15 am †Katharina Rill, †Victor Pomper**

**11:00 am †Paul Belanger**

**"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact visit [vocationculture.ca](http://vocationculture.ca).**

### **COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S**

#### **January:**

8:	12:00 pm	CWL General Meeting
10:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
11:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
12:	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
14:	All Masses	St. Vincent de Paul Collection
15:	10:15 am	German Congregation Social
17:	11:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
18:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
19:	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
24:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
25:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
26:	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
30:	5:30 pm	CWL Executive Meeting

#### **2017 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

**This is the last weekend envelopes will be available, in the church, for pick up.** They will be moved to the parish office January 11<sup>th</sup>. **PLEASE, do not use previous year's envelopes!** Most numbers have changed and someone else will be credited with your donation. Anyone who does not have envelopes and wishes to, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

#### **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING**

**Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> following the 11 am Mass.** Please join us for a bite of lunch (soup and beverages provided – you may wish to bring your own brown bag sandwich), in the Lower Hall. We will be having a special Liturgy, for the New Year and the Feast of the Epiphany. January is the time when you are reminded of your Membership Fee being due. We remind you that the fee is \$25.! Thank you for your kind attention to this matter; (many thanks to those who have already paid!!) Looking forward to "ringing" in the New Year with you, as we share Prayer and Fellowship!!

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

To ensure that everyone's desire regarding Mass Intentions may be satisfied, parishioners are encouraged to make their requests known as soon as possible. The offering of Mass for special intentions such as wedding anniversaries, for healing, for comfort to those who are sick, for deceased family and friends, for personal intentions, in thanksgiving for favours received, for a "special" intention, etc., is an act of deep faith and a desire to unite oneself with Christ in the mystery of the Eucharist. All intentions are reserved on a first come basis. We urge all parishioners to give serious consideration to availing themselves of this special opportunity for grace and exercise of faith.



**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

**Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Mass will be celebrated at **12:10 pm** with the traditional ceremony for the blessing of candles at the beginning of Mass.

**FEAST OF ST. BLAISE**



**Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>.** 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.

**ENTRUST YOURSELF TO GOD'S MERCY!**

**Beginning Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.** 33 Days to Merciful Love is a group retreat preparation for consecration to Divine Mercy. This 6 week DVD program, by Fr. Michael Gaitley, will take place Saturdays at 10 am in the Lower Hall. The retreat book can be ordered on our website or at the parish office. Cost is \$25. To order on the website, [stmarysrcchurch.ca](http://stmarysrcchurch.ca) click the "give online" button in the upper right hand corner and follow the instructions. When confirming the donation, please write in the comments box that this is to order the 33 Days retreat book. **Order Deadline is February 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Those wishing to go deeper and order the full participant packet with the book and "Retreat Companion" will need to order individually, online from the USA at [shopmercy.org/33-Days-to-Merciful-Love-Participant-Pack-with-Book/MLPSWB/itd/27240002/132/508/AHA](http://shopmercy.org/33-Days-to-Merciful-Love-Participant-Pack-with-Book/MLPSWB/itd/27240002/132/508/AHA). Orders from the USA will take longer. If you have any questions, contact Vicky at [vmdvorak@gmail.com](mailto:vmdvorak@gmail.com) or 519-743-3089.

**PRAYER NETWORK**

A reminder to all that the members of our team will joyfully pray for your intentions. Please call the parish office, 519-576-3860, with your requests. Thank you to all the members of our Parish Prayer Network Team! Your dedication to prayer is greatly appreciated.

**OFFERTORY: December 31, 2016 - January 1, 2017**

Sunday Donations (152 env)	\$3,392.00
New Year's Donations	\$1,452.75
Initial Donations	\$ 833.25
Loose Donations	\$ 246.20
Christmas Donations	\$ 90.00
Building & Maintenance Donations	\$1,179.00
Debt Fund Donations	\$ 320.00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!**

**WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA**

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Kitchener

**LAUDATO SI IS A CALL TO CONVERSION**

**Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm.** All are welcome to come and spend an evening exploring Pope Francis' encyclical on The Environment and Human Ecology with Fr. Tom Rosica, CSB, CEO of Salt and Light Television.

Knights of Columbus Centre, Waterloo

**STOP CENSORSHIP TOUR**

**Saturday January 14<sup>th</sup>.** "Why Abortion Statistics Matter" featuring Mike Schouten from WeNeedaLaw.ca and John Sikkema, Lawyer at ARPA Canada. Social at 4:30 pm, Fish & Chip dinner at 5 pm \$10 and speakers at 6 pm with Silent Auction - All proceeds go the STOP CENSORSHIP Initiative Call 519-746-5433 or email [jane@kwrtl.ca](mailto:jane@kwrtl.ca) to reserve your place or table. Sponsored by KW Right to Life.

St. Anthony Daniel Church, Kitchener

**SEMINAR OF HOPE**

**Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup> - 7 to 9 pm and Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> - 9 am to 4 pm.** Join us for this FREE seminar "How to Pray for Your Sons, Daughters and Loved Ones", by Vernon Robertson, as seen on EWTN! As parents do you suffer because of the spiritual condition of your children? Have your loved ones stopped practicing the faith? Do they no longer believe in God? Then this seminar is for you. FREE participant manual will be given at the Seminar For more information or to register call Pat or Rita at Email: [paddy@golden.net](mailto:paddy@golden.net) or 519-748-5548. Bring a bag lunch. Love Offering will be taken. View the promo video at [www.seminarofhope.org](http://www.seminarofhope.org).

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**JOIN US TO FIND THE "KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS"**

**Beginning Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> from 7 - 9 pm.** "Keys" is a 9 week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs Tuesday evenings. The cost is \$45. For more information, contact the Family Ministry Office at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249.



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