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Under the Guidance and Administration of the Religious Fathers of The Congregation of the Resurrection
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2018

*On the 13th day of each month, we respond to the message of Our Lady of Fatima
by making reparation for the sins of Canada.*



Pastor
Father George Nowak, C.R.

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 **regularly attending parishioners who have been registered at least 1 year**. 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 registered parishioners inquiring about marriage, contact the parish office 1 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, C.R., 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.

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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: Please email any announcements by 4:00 pm Monday to be included in the weekend bulletin.

*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. To register with St. Mary's and to request Sunday Offertory envelopes, please complete a Registration form – either online at the parish website, or by using the form provided at all church doors.

Mass Intentions: January 8 - 14, 2018

Monday	<i>Baptism of The Lord</i>
Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7 Mark 1.7-11	
11:00 am Souls in Purgatory	
Tuesday	<i>ferial</i>
1 Samuel 1.9-20 Mark 1.21-28	
7:30 am Morning Prayer	
8:00 am Intentions for Marcus Kemp	
Wednesday	<i>ferial</i>
1 Samuel 3.1-10, 19-20 Mark 1.29-39	
7:30 am Morning Prayer	
8:00 am Intentions for Tyler Rowe	
Thursday	<i>ferial</i>
1 Samuel 4.1c-11 Mark 1.40-45	
11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration	
11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy	
12:10 pm For Deceased Benefactors & Parents of the Congregation of the Resurrection	
Friday	<i>St. Marguerite Bourgeoys</i>
1 Samuel 8.4-7, 10-22a Mark 2.1-12	
7:30 am Morning Prayer	
8:00 am Souls in Purgatory	
Saturday	<i>St. Hilary & Our Lady's Saturday</i>
1 Samuel 9.1-4, 17-19; 10.1a Mark 2.13-17	
8:00 am For the Protection of Our Children	
4:00 pm Confession	
SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
1 Samuel 3.3b-10, 19 1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a, 17-20 John 1.35-42	
5:00 pm Intentions for Marc Chow Chung & Family, ††Aurea & Harold Cahill	
Sunday	
8:00 am Our Parishioners	
9:15 am ††Juliana & Josef Ortner	
11:00 am †Doreen Yawney	

2018 SUNDAY MISSALS

St. Joseph Sunday Missals are available at the main doors of the Church. The cost is \$5.

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S

January 2018:

6/7:	All Masses	Building & Maintenance Fund Collection
9:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
13:	6:00 pm	Our Lady of Fatima Devotions
14:	12:00 pm	CWL General Meeting
16:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
17:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
18:	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
20/21:	All Masses	Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection
21:	10:15 am	German Congregation Social
23:	11:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
24:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
25:	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
30:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group

OFFERTORY: December 23 & 24, 2017

Sunday Envelopes (141/ 305 env. – avg. \$46.74)	\$6,591.00
Loose Offerings	\$506.50
Christmas Flower Offerings	\$100.00
Christmas Offerings	\$1,514.00

OFFERTORY: December 24 & 25, 2017

Christmas Envelopes (148 env. – avg. 47.85)	\$7,082.00
Loose Offerings	\$2,371.20
Sunday Offerings	\$1,122.00

OFFERTORY: December 30 & 31, 2017

Sunday Envelopes (138/305 env. – avg. \$22.70)	\$3,133.00
Loose Offerings	\$537.70
Christmas Offerings	\$335.00
Debt Fund Offerings	\$100.00

OFFERTORY: December 31, 2017 & January 1, 2018

Mary, Mother of God Envelopes (99 env. – avg. 22.93)	\$2,468.00
Loose Offerings	\$234.50
Initial Offerings	\$820.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTIONS

Saturday, January 13th after 5 pm Mass.

Join us as we continue our devotions to Our Lady of Fatima, on the 13th of each month. Following the Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, we enter into a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Together, we pray the Rosary, as requested by Our Lady, in reparation for sins, followed by Benediction. Everyone is welcome.



Pray the Rosary Daily

ST. MARY'S CWL GENERAL MEETING



Sunday, January 14th following 11 am Mass.

This is our first meeting of the New Year and we invite you to join us for a bite of lunch (soup and beverages will be provided - you may wish to bring your own brown bag sandwich), in the Lower Hall. There will be a special Liturgy, to "ring in" this New Year! January is the time when you are reminded of your Membership Fee being due - the fee is still \$25.! Thank you for your kind attention to this matter; (many thanks to those who have already paid!!). Looking forward to seeing you, as we share Prayer and Fellowship!

2018 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelopes are available at the main doors of the church. Please pick yours up as soon as possible as they will be moved to the parish office on January 15th. Be sure to notify the parish office if there are any discrepancies (name/address) so that we can correct any errors and keep our records in order. Anyone who does not have envelopes and wishes to, please complete a Parish Registration form and submit it to the office. **PLEASE DO NOT USE PREVIOUS YEARS' ENVELOPES.** The numbers have changed and you will not be credited for your donation. Thank you.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

On December 17th we introduced the idea of Pre-Authorized (Direct Debit) Donations in the bulletin. **We have had a good response to this idea and are moving ahead with it.** We are hoping to have it up and running in February and will keep you posted. The forms to sign up for this donation method should be ready in the next few weeks. Please give this very convenient method of donating serious thought. Thank you.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

St. Louis Parish, Waterloo

DAVID THE KING STUDY COURSE

Begins Monday, January 8th at 7:30 pm. The whole Bible opens up once it's viewed through the person of King David in Bishop Robert Barron's newest 6 part DVD Bible study. David's kingship recalls the kingship of Adam in the Garden of Eden, and also foreshadows the kingship of Jesus Christ. Adam was the first king and steward of the rightly ordered Garden of Eden, but he failed. Later, David emerged as the hope of Israel who sought to restore order in the Garden and bring the world under the lordship of God. But being imperfect, David did not fully accomplish this task. So, God promised to send a *son of David* who would be the perfect and eternal king. Course is free. Fee for optional materials. For more information and to register, call St. Louis Parish, 519-743-4101.

St. Louis Parish, Waterloo

TRUE REFORMERS

Begins Thursday, January 11th at 1 pm. Dr. Christopher Blum will lead us on this 6 part DVD journey with the saints who led the Church's rebirth from the ashes of the confusion caused by the Protestant Reformation. As you get to know them, you will discover how powerful – and beautiful – is the human heart's free response to God's generous Grace. This study looks at lives of: Thomas More, Ignatius of Loyola, Philip Neri, Charles Borromeo, Teresa of Àvila, Francis de Sales. Course is free. Fee for optional materials. For more information or to register call St. Louis Parish at 519-743-4101.

Dublin, Ireland

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES


The Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip to the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland, which takes place August 21 – 26, 2018. This international event is designed to be significant to people of all ages at all stages of life. Every keynote address and workshop will be based on Pope Francis' *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love). This is a family event with workshop streams for those 18 and older, 6 – 17 years and day care for those 5 and younger. The Diocese of Hamilton has booked a block of rooms for anyone interested in attending, **BUT** registration for the conference portion and travel are to be booked by each individual participant. Conference Registration can be found at <http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/>. For more information or to book accommodation at our hotel, the Maldon Hotel Tallaght, go to <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/wmof-2018> or call 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2250 (Teresa Hartnett). **Diocesan accommodation must be booked by mid-January, so contact us soon if you are interested.**

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

January begins a new year, a perfect time to reflect on your parenting role. Ask yourselves what you are doing well; what you might improve on and where you may need some supports. Assess whether you are spending enough quality and quantity time with your children because both matter. Reflect on whether you are providing a strong faith foundation and a strong connection to the Church community, since both have positive health and spiritual impacts. Now with a clearer vision, set some family goals for the coming year!

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Love flourishes when we understand the three critical components of every relationship: firm commitment, excellent communication skills and disciplined conflict resolution styles. Love demands that we model these three skills for our spouse and includes a healthy dose of forgiveness when either one of us doesn't manage a situation quite right. When we work on building these skills together, our love can't help to grow strong.



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