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

IN 2017 WE CELEBRATE

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

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 - <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 parishioners inquiring about 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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



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 March 13 - 19, 2017

Monday - ferial

Daniel 9.3, 4b-10++ Luke 6.36-38

12:10 pm Intentions for Theresa Pomper

Tuesday - ferial

Isaiah 1.10, 16-20, 27-28, 31++ Matthew 23.1-12

7:30 am Morning Prayer **8:00 am †Pieter Brosersma**

Wednesday - ferial

Jeremiah 18.18-20 Matthew 20.17-28

7:30 am Morning Prayer **8:00 am †Gary Karn**

Thursday - ferial

Jeremiah 17.5-10 Luke 16.19-31 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, †Sabina

Kuczynski

Friday - St. Patrick

Genesis 37.3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28 Matthew 21.33-43, 45-46

11:30 am Stations of the Cross

12:10 pm For the Conversion of Sinners

Saturday - St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Micah 7.14-15, 18-20 Luke 15.1-3, 11-32

8:00 am For the Protection of Christians

4:00 pm Confessions

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Exodus 17.3-7 Romans 5.1-2, 5-8 John 4.5-42

5:00 pm ††Aurea and Harold Cahill, †Jim Kay Sr.

†Anne Cartmell

<u>Sunday</u>

8:00 am †Ida Lee Grespan

9:15 am ††Joseph and Heidi Eppich, †Hans

Neidenbach

11:00 am Our Parishioners

Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following God's Will for our life. If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, visit vocationculture.ca for more information.

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S

12:00 pm	CWL General Meeting
•	Living Sober Group
•	Marienchor Rehearsal
•	Choir Rehearsal
11:30 am	Stations of the Cross
	Bible Study
•	33 Days to Merciful Love Group Study
	Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection
10:15 am	German Congregation Social
11:00 am	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
	Living Sober Group
	Marienchor Rehearsal
•	Choir Rehearsal
11:30 am	Stations of the Cross
10:00 am	33 Days to Merciful Love Group Study
8:00 am	Living Sober Group
	Marienchor Rehearsal (Church)
•	Choir Rehearsal
11:30 am	Stations of the Cross
6:00 pm	Bible Study
	6:00 pm 10:00 am All Masses 10:15 am 11:00 am 8:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 11:30 am 10:00 am 8:00 am 7:00 pm 7:00 pm

LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

<u>During Lent</u>, our regular weekday Mass schedule prevails <u>except on Fridays</u> when we have Stations of the Cross at 11:30 am, followed by Mass at 12:10 pm. Please note there is no Morning Prayer or 8 am Mass on Friday's during Lent.

MUSIC NOTE



Liturgical rubrics indicate that the organ remain silent during Lent, except on Laetare Sunday. However, the organ and other instruments may be used to accompany singing. Hence Preludes

and Postludes are not played, with the exception of the Fourth (Laetare) Sunday in Lent.

ST. MARY'S CWL GENERAL MEETING



Sunday, March 12th, following 11 am Mass.

Please join us for a bite of lunch, soup and beverages provided - you may wish to bring you own brown bag sandwich, in the Lower Hall. We welcome Father Paul Szymanowski,

C.R. as our guest speaker - his topic being "Rediscovering Spirituality of Fasting". Join us for this special time of prayer and reflection, as we begin this year's Lenten journey. Gentle reminder for League members - there are still a few Membership Fees due - many thanks to all who have already paid!

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY

BIBLE STUDY



Fridays during Lent from 6 - 7 pm. Everyone is welcome to join Ania Krysciak in the Lower Hall for a Lenten Bible Study. We will be studying two of St. Paul's Captivity Letters

(Philippians and Colossians). Please note, there will be NO Bible Study on Friday, March 24th. Bring your bible and a friend!

ENTRUST YOURSELF TO GOD'S MERCY!

<u>Saturday's at 10 am</u> in the Lower Hall. 33 Days to Merciful Love is a 6 week DVD group retreat preparation for consecration to Divine Mercy, by Fr. Michael Gaitley.

43 RD ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE

<u>Depart - Monday, August 7th and return Saturday, August 12th.</u> Plan to join us for our pilgrimage to the Shrines of Quebec. Pricing details will be available soon. Contact Rose Gunn, 519-744-5923 or rosejgunn@gmail.com or Erna Spoenlein 519-743-1030.

OFFERTORY: March 4 - 5, 2017 Sunday Donations (188 env) \$6,839.00 Loose Donations \$414.35 Initial Donations \$20.00 Easter Flower Fund Donations \$185.00 Building Fund Donations \$1,619.35 Debt Fund Donation \$500.00 Seminary Education Donations \$50.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, Kitchener "THE EUTHANASIA DECEPTION"

Monday, March 13th at 7 pm. The Kitchener K of C invites you to a free viewing of this thought provoking and emotionally-gripping film, produced by the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, that will impact hearts and minds. It sets out to expose the main deceptions of and safeguards for doctor assisted dying, so-called "compassion" associated with killing. Following the presentation, Alex Schadenberg, will answer questions. Plan to attend!

St. Teresa of Avila Divine Mercy Chapel, Kitchener CAN YOU NOT WATCH ONE HOUR WITH ME?

9 am to 9 pm Monday to Friday Eucharistic Adoration. Choose an hour – bring a friend. Contact Rosemary 519-743-5656 or Herb 519-893-4793 for more information. All parishioners are invited to participate.

COME AND SEE RETREAT

March 17th - 19th at St. Augustine's Seminary, Toronto, and March 24th - 27th at St. Peter's Seminary, London. For men interested in a vocation to the priesthood. This is a unique opportunity to spend time with those studying for the priesthood, hear their stories, and pray for your vocation. For more details, visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, Elmira ANNUAL FISH FRY

Friday, March 24th. 2 sittings – 5 pm and 6:30 pm. Take out will be at 6 pm. Cost: \$15/Adults & take out; \$8/Children (12 & under). **Advanced tickets available until March 22**nd. To purchase tickets, contact St. Teresa Parish Office between 9 am and 1 pm, 519-669-3387. Don't miss out on this popular dinner! Hosted by Knights of Columbus #8192. Proceeds to K of C Charities.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Lent is the perfect time to focus on our faith journey. Help your children look beyond giving something up, to the deeper meaning of Lent. Remind them that Lent is about looking forward to Christ's Resurrection, which opens us to the joy of eternity. During Lent help your children reflect on what Christ's coming meant for us - he taught us how to live good and holy lives; he showed us what it means to be faithful to a promise; he gave us the gift of Salvation and the hope of eternity; he reminded us that God has a plan for each of us. Pray together, attend the Stations of the Cross; read the Bible, commit to fasting as a family (perhaps from arguing with siblings, or speaking back to parents), give alms as a family unit. When you take your task of helping your children understand Lent and its purpose to heart, everyone benefits!

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Observing Lent as a couple is an excellent way to deepen both your spiritual and marital bond. Talk about each of your Lenten resolutions and then assist each other to achieve it. Challenge each other to keep to your resolve, pray for each other on your 40 day journey, and take up activities as a couple that will deepen your faith. Take the three Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving into your relationship and journey the path together. Consider 40 acts of kindness toward each other for the 40 days of Lent. When you focus on achieving goals together, it strengthens your relationship bond as a couple and with God – a win-win Lenten season.

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