

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

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Fr. Toby Collins, C.R. - Pastor

Fr. Daniel Lobsinger, C.R. - Associate Pastor

Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R. - Assisting Priest

Penny Laurette - Admin Assistant

Robert Tasse - Music Director

Rianne Rops - Outreach Coordinator

Andrew Olinski - Caretaker

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

Baptism and Marriage - Please email the parish office for details and to submit your requests.

Parish Outreach - Are you interested in getting involved in outreach initiatives? Do you have ideas about how we might better serve our neighbours? If so, please contact Rianne at 519-576-3860 or rianne.stmarys@gmail.com to let her know that you're interested and/or to share your ideas.

St. Vincent de Paul - For assistance with groceries and other needs please call 226-988-5915 weekdays, except Tuesdays, between 9:00 am and noon. For information on volunteering, please email Don McClure at don@teambilton.com.

Most Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

3:00 pm (Traditional Latin Mass)

(Children's Liturgy Sept. - June at 11:00 am)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursdays: 11:15 - 11:45 am Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 pm

or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration - Thursday mornings 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 9:30 am.

Visits to the Sick - Please notify the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion and the Sacrament of the Sick. If you enter the hospital, please remember 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.

In your kindness, please remember St. Mary's Church in your estate plan and when recommending expressions of sympathy. Thank you.

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Welcome to St. Mary's Parish!

No matter who you are or where you're from, we extend you a warm welcome and hope that you feel at home. Stop by the Welcome Station, we'd love to meet you!

MASS INTENTIONS March 17 - 22, 2020

Tuesday – ferial

Daniel 3.25, 34-43 Matthew 18.21-35

12:00 pm †Lloyd Walter

Wednesday – ferial

Deuteronomy 4.1, 5-9 Matthew 5.17-19

12:00 pm †Sasha Alexyev

Thursday – St. Joseph

2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Romans 4.13, 16-18, 22

Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:15 am Confession until 11:45 am

12:00 pm †Lisa Skeffington

Friday – ferial

Hosea 14.1-9 Mark 12.28b-34

11:30 am Stations of the Cross

12:00 pm †Elie van Kerrebroeck

Saturday – ferial

Hosea 5.15b-6.6++ Luke 18.9-14

8:00 am †Albin Perko & Intentions for Olga Perko & Family

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13 Ephesians 5.8-14 John 9.1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

5:00 pm Intentions for Madeline Elisabeth Dvorak,
††Aurea & Harold Cahill, Intentions for Ralph &
Linda Grieco, †Tyler James Rektor, †Patricia
McCarthy, Intentions for Liza Regimbal

Sunday

8:30 am For Our Parishioners

11:00 am †Carey Bissonnette

3:00 pm Intentions for Subhadra Costa

(Traditional Latin Mass)

OFFERTORY – March 7th & 8th, 2020

Sunday Offerings\$5,322.25Building Fund Offerings\$335.00Debt Fund Offerings\$2,024.00Outreach\$60.00

Thank you to all our Parishioners, Visitors and Benefactors for your generous support!

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Sunday's second reading is Romans 5:1-2, 5-8. Verse 5 is: "Hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been

given to us." This passage invites us to realize that the only one worthy of our hope is Christ Jesus. The only one in which we ought to hope is Jesus. Strangers will disappoint us. Family and friends will disappoint us. Institutions, governments and churches will disappoint us. All hope that lacks a foundation in Jesus Christ is misplaced.

Hope in Jesus Christ does not disappoint us! We can have firm trust and belief and faith in Jesus. Hope in him is well founded in fact it is the only hope that never disappoints us. Lent invites us to reflect upon where we have placed our hope. To see how we have been misguided and to shift all our hope unto the Lord. We can be assured that Jesus will always be faithful to his promises. Jesus will always keep his word. Jesus died to forgive us our sins and salvation is possible for all those who believe in him. Today's Gospel of the Samaritan woman invites us to ask ourselves the question: For what or for whom do I thirst? It is an appropriate question for Lent! Throughout the year we each try to satisfy our "thirst" in people or in stuff that ultimately do not have the capacity to satisfy our thirst. God has created us with an infinite thirst that can only be satiated by an infinite being. Everything in the finite world will always leave us wanting for more. Lent comes around each year and provides us with an opportunity to acknowledge our futile attempts to satisfy our thirst and to realize that only Jesus can satisfy us.

Lent provides us with the opportunity to ask for forgiveness for the ways we have tried to foolishly satisfy our thirst with people and material items. Lent provides us with an opportunity to acknowledge that when Jesus told the Samaritan woman he was thirsty it was not for water but for her and her faith. Jesus is thirsty for me and my faith, hope and love. The Holy Spirit is willing to pour God's love into our hearts if we but only open our hearts to the Spirit. This Lent, allow the Spirit to fill our "bucket" with life giving water. Hope in the Lord!

Written by Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R.

VOCATIONS

"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at vocations@hamiltondiocese.com or visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S		
March:	·	
15:	9:30 am	Coffee Social
	12:15 pm	Sandwich Outreach Project
	4:00 pm	Latin Congregation Social
16:	8:00 pm	Glorious Weakness Group
17:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Hampers
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
18:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
19:	7:00 pm	11 am Choir Rehearsal
20:	11:30 am	Stations of the Cross
	10:00 am	Sandwich Outreach Project
21:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Hampers
	10:00 am	Mass at Victoria Place Retirement Home
	2:00 pm	Community Concert
21/22:	All Masses	Easter Flower Collection
	All Masses	Chalice Sponsorship - Deacon Devereaux
22:	4:00 pm	Latin Social

THE UMBRELLA BRIGADE/WELCOME STATION



Be sure to stop by our Welcome Station at the back of the church to say hello to our friendly volunteers and take a look at the new

"Welcome" and "Get Connected" resources. We have a fantastic crew of volunteers and are looking for more! Consider signing up for this new, fun and easy ministry for all ages! We escort parishioners from the parking lot into the church on rainy days, and on sunny days, we greet parishioners by opening the front doors as they enter and/or help with parking questions in the lot. Contact Rianne for more information, rianne.stmarys@gmail.com.

YOUNG ADULT LENTEN MEET-UPS

Thursday, March 19th from 7:30 - 9 pm.

Join us for a weekly meet-up for Young Adults (ages 18-35) in the parish hall every Thursday during Lent. Through guest speakers and group discussions, we explore topics such as: the origins of Lent, prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and reconciliation. Snacks provided! Hope to see you there!

UPCOMING COMMUNITY CONCERTS AT ST. MARY'S

Laurier's Faculty of Music is hosting two community concerts at St. Mary's. Admission is free or by donation, and all proceeds go toward supplying food for the homeless at this year's winter overflow shelter.

Saturday March 14th 2 – 3 pm internally-renowned

<u>Saturday, March 14th, 2 – 3 pm</u>, internally-renowned pianist, Anya Alexyev, will perform works from Sixes, Haydn, Schumann, and Scriabin.

<u>Saturday, March 21st, 2 – 3 pm</u>, students from WLU will perform a variety of music including: classical piano, singersongwriters, and community music. Don't pass up on this opportunity to hear Anya and her students play! All are welcome.

GARDEN SOIL DISCOUNTS & FUNDRAISER

If you are buying garden soil for this year's season, please consider ordering through Big Yellow Bag using St. Mary's code: "STMARYS2Z". When this code is used, you save \$5 on your purchase AND Big Yellow Bag donates \$10 to St. Mary's outreach initiatives such as our community garden program. Coupons and further details will be distributed the weekend of March 28th / 29th.

Nurture Life, Oppose Death on Demand! Contact Your Member of Parliament Today!

The federal government has tabled legislation to expand what they refer to as medical assistance in dying but is more accurately called euthanasia/assisted suicide. More than 13,000 Canadians have been euthanized since 2016. New legislation would make assisted death available to those without life-threatening illnesses including those with disabilities and those no longer capable of making decisions for themselves. Some Canadians may even be euthanized on the same day they make the request. Visit www.helptheliving.ca to send a letter (prepared for you) to your Member of Parliament expressing deep concern. The process takes less than 5 minutes. We continue to pray and advocate for the vulnerable among us.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

St. Louis Parish Nursery, Waterloo LUNCH & LEARN STUDY GROUP

Starting Monday, March 23rd from noon- 1 pm. We will begin a new book by Brant Pitre "Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary – Unveiling the Mother of the Messiah".

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Dr. Pitre takes readers step-by-step from the Garden of Eden to the Book of Revelation to reveal how deeply biblical Catholic beliefs about Mary really are. Come and join us on this marvelous journey. We read together, then discuss the text. No prior preparation required. Bring your lunch, coffee and treats provided. Call St. Louis parish office at 519-743-4101 for more information.

Holy Family Church Hall, New Hamburg ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION

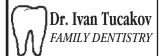
Thursday, March 26th at 7 pm. The Catholic Women's League and the Council of Catholic Men are co-sponsoring this talk with guest speaker is Mike Glugosh B.Th., who works for Mountainview Clinic for Stress and Anxiety. All are welcome. Refreshments to follow.

YOUR SUNDAY CHUCKLE!



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