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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 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*

THIRD 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 20 - 26, 2017

Monday - St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Romans 4.13, 16-18, 22
Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a

12:10 pm For the Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday - ferial

Daniel 3.25, 34-43 Matthew 18.21-35

7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am Intentions for Mary Jane and David Berges

Wednesday - ferial

Deuteronomy 4.1, 5-9 Matthew 5.17-19

7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am Intentions for John and Maria Meenan

Thursday - St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

Jeremiah 7.23-28 Luke 11.14-23

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy

12:10 pm For the Superior General of the Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday - ferial

Hosea 14.1-9 Mark 12.28b-34

11:30 am Stations of the Cross

12:10 pm Intentions for Liza and Brad Mills

Saturday - The Annunciation of The Lord

Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d Hebrews 10.4-10 Luke 1.26-38

8:00 am For the Conversion of Sinners

4:00 pm Confessions

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13 Ephesians 5.8-14 John 9.1-41

5:00 pm †Kathleen Tasse, Intentions for Ron and Alice Paleczny, †Helen Kay, †John Kiertcher, Special Intention of M. Ostrowski

Sunday

8:00 am Our Parishioners

9:15 am †Katarina Rill and Family, †Bernhard Didio

11:00 am †Lila Kamin

"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, deacon, brother or sister, visit vocationculture.ca for more information.

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S

March

- 18/19: All Masses Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection
19: 10:15 am German Congregation Social
21: 11:00 am St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
8:00 pm Living Sober Group
22: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
23: 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
24: **PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED**
11:30 am Stations of the Cross
25: 10:00 am 33 Days to Merciful Love Group Study
27: 8:00 am Living Sober Group
29: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal (Church)
30: 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
31: 11:30 am Stations of the Cross
6:00 pm Bible Study

April

- 1: 8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration until 12:00 pm
8:30 am Our Lady of Sorrows Devotions
10:00 am 33 Days to Merciful Love Group Study
1/2: All Masses Building & Maintenance Collection
3: 7:00 pm Lenten Penitential Service
4: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group
5: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
6: 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Group
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
7: 11:30 am Stations of the Cross
6:00 pm Bible Study
8: 10:00 am 33 Days to Merciful Love Group Study
8/9: All Masses Annual Share Lent Collection
9: 12:00 pm CWL General Meeting

LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

During Lent, our regular weekday Mass schedule prevails **except on Fridays** 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.**

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!

Saturday's at 10 am 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.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE



Monday, April 3rd at 7 pm. Lent is a time to confess our sins so that we might know the abundance of forgiveness that God has given us through his Son, Jesus Christ. Each confession takes us deeper into the truth about ourselves and also reveals the

truth about God: That God's love for us is greater than our sins. The Sacrament of Confession is not a time to beat yourself up because you have sinned – we're all sinners. If we weren't, we wouldn't need Jesus! Confession is a time to rejoice in the forgiveness of our sins! Several Priests will be available for individual Confessions. We encourage everyone to receive this Sacrament of God's mercy and forgiveness, and to celebrate this season of Lent and Easter with joy and renewed hearts.

OFFERTORY: March 11 - 12, 2017

Sunday Donations (175 env)	\$3,910.00
Loose Donations	\$ 362.25
Easter Flower Fund Donations	\$ 30.00
Building Fund Donations	\$ 107.00
Seminary Education Donations	\$ 10.00

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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

"WORTH A SECOND LOOK" THRIFT SHOP

Located at the former location of the St. Vincent de Paul store, is looking for donations of household item. We are a charity that is a project of the Working Centre and our goal is to provide low cost furniture and housewares to the community while helping to support many of our projects including St. John's Kitchen. Items needed are: Furniture, all decorator items, small electrical appliances, clean household items, books and current magazines, health and beauty products, jewellery, crafts and art supplies, all collectibles, music and movies, toys, gardening and hardware items.

St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, Elmira

ANNUAL FISH FRY

Friday, March 24th. 2 sittings – 5 pm and 6:30 pm. Take out at 6 pm. Cost: \$15/adults & take out; \$8/children (12 & under). **Advanced tickets available until March 22nd.** Contact St. Teresa Parish Office between 9 am and 1 pm, 519-669-3387. Hosted by Knights of Columbus #8192. Proceeds to K of C Charities.

Knights of Columbus Hall, Waterloo

BINGO THURSDAY NIGHTS & FRIDAY FISH FRY

Doors open 6 pm, bingo starts at 7 pm. Cash prizes - Food - Fun! For Fish Fry reservations, call 519-884-2060.

Carmel of St. Joseph Monastery, St. Agatha

MINI RETREAT & GROCERY SHOWER (NO MEAT)

Saturday, March 25th from 10:30 am - 2 pm. The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites everyone to attend! Mass will be celebrated, preceded by the Rosary. Retreat Master Rev. Ron Voisin.

St. Aloysius Parish, Kitchener

LENTEN MISSION

Monday, March 27th to Wednesday, March 29th at 7 pm each evening. All are invited to participate in this wonderful Lenten mission, directed by Monsignor Murray Kroetsch, Chancellor of the Diocese of Hamilton, to help prepare well and to celebrate the feast of Easter. Come, renew your Baptismal promises, and experience the joy of the Risen Christ! Bing a friend!

St. Teresa Parish, Kitchener

CWL ANNUAL TWILIGHT RETREAT

Tuesday, March 28th beginning at 5:15 pm. Our speaker will be Father Brian Quigley, MCCJ. Dinner will follow at 6 pm (ticket is required for dinner). Memorial Mass for CWL Members and families starting at 8 pm. Cost is \$15/person. For tickets call Mary Helen at 519-570-4375.

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Kitchener

ARE YOU SEPARATED OR DIVORCED? LET US HELP ...

Tuesday evenings for 11 weeks, starting March 28th from 7 - 9 pm. LEVEL 1 (Learning to Cope), LEVEL 2 (Accepting the Situation) are self-help programs intended to help separated and divorced persons move forward from their divorce healthier and stronger. Topics are meant to offer hope and personal growth and include: the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, forgiveness, trust, singleness and children. Course fees: \$35 - Level 1 and \$45 - Level 2. Level 3 (Enhancing Self Esteem, cost \$40) will be held at St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener. Contact the Family Ministry Office at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249 to register or online at: <http://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php>.



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