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

JUBILEE OF MERCY

December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016



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 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 details regarding 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

Mass Schedule and Intentions This Week March 28 - April 3, 2016

Monday - Easter Octave

Acts 2.14, 22-33 Matthew 28.8-15 **12:10 pm †Sr. Barbara Frank, SSND**

Tuesday - Easter Octave

8:00 am ††Ed and Jo Boudreau

Wednesday - Easter Octave

Acts 3.1-10 Luke 24.13-35 7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am For All Benefactors of St. Mary's

Thursday - Easter Octave

Acts 3.11-26 Luke 24.35-48

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy

12:10 pm For the Beatification of the Founders of the

Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday - Easter Octave

Acts 4.1-12 John 21.1-14 7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am ††Ed and Jo Boudreau

Saturday - Easter Octave

Acts 4.13-21 Mark 16.9-15

8:00 am For the Culture of Life

8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration until 12:00 pm

4:00 pm Confessions

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Acts 5.12-16 Revelation 1.9-11a, 12-13, 17-19 John 20.19-31 Monthly Building & Maintenance Collection

5:00 pm †Fr. Dominic Kirwan, CR, †Sr. Loretta Kirwan,

CSJ

Sunday

8:00 am Our Parishioners

9:15 am †Bernhard Didio, †Joseph Eppich

11:00 am †Richard Grant

The Lord is risen, it is true! Through our baptism He calls us to proclaim new life to the world. Pray for those who herald the Good News as priests, brothers, and sisters. If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit resurrectionists.ca/vocations.



Dear Parishioners and Guests,

St. Paul writes to Timothy: "If we have died with Christ, we shall also live with him." These are profound words of deep significance for all Christians. These words affirm for us that if we have been walking with

the Suffering Christ during this holy season of Lent; and if we have been dying to ourselves through sacrifice, penance, and works of mercy, then we can trust in Jesus and the power of his Resurrection to raise us up to eternal life. For all who are united with Christ in his suffering shall remain united with our Risen Lord in his glory. And this is reason to celebrate the profound Mystery of our Redemption in Christ. May the joy of Easter fill our hearts and draw us ever closer to our Triune God.

With love and prayers, Fr. George, C.R. Fr. Paul, C.R.

DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION Sixth Day



Meditation: Today bring to Me THE MEEK AND HUMBLE SOULS AND THE SOULS OF LITTLE CHILDREN, and immerse them in My mercy. These souls most closely resemble My Heart. They strengthened Me during My bitter agony. I saw them as earthly Angels, who will keep vigil at My altars. I pour out upon them whole torrents of grace. Only the

humble soul is capable of receiving My grace. I favour humble souls with My confidence (Diary, 1220).

My Prayer Response: Most Merciful Jesus, You Yourself have said, "Learn from Me for I am meek and humble of heart." Receive into the abode of Your Most Compassionate Heart all meek and humble souls and the souls of little children. These souls send all heaven into ecstasy and they are the heavenly Father's favourites. They are a sweet-smelling bouquet before the throne of God; God Himself takes delight in their fragrance. These souls have a permanent abode in Your Most Compassionate Heart, O Jesus, and they unceasingly sing out a hymn of love and mercy (Diary, 1221). (Courtesy of Lighthouse Catholic Media)

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Mar. 28:	PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED	
Mar. 29:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
Apr. 1:	7:00 pm	Mini Bible Study - Zechariah
Apr. 2:	8:30 am	Eucharistic Adoration until 12:00 pn
		Our Lady of Sorrows Devotions
	10:00 am	"Come Holy Spirit" DVD Study
Apr. 2/3:	All Masses - Building & Maintenance Collectio	
Apr. 3:	3:00 pm	Hour of Great Mercy
Apr. 5:	PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED	
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
Apr. 6:	PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED	
	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
Apr. 7:	1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Group
	7:00 pm	Mini Bible Study - Zechariah
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Apr. 9:	10:00 am	"Come Holy Spirit" DVD Study
Apr. 10:	12:00 pm	CWL General Meeting
Apr. 12:	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
Apr. 14:	1:00 pm	German Men's & Ladies Group
	7:00 pm	Mini Bible Study - Zechariah

MINI BIBLE STUDY

Friday, April 1st, Thursday, April 7th and Thursday, April 14th, 7 - 8:30 pm. Ania Krysciak, Chaplain at the University of Guelph, is offering a mini study on the book of Zechariah for 3 evenings in April, in the Lower Hall. All are welcome!

COME HOLY SPIRIT



Beginning Saturday, April 2nd at 10 am.

"Come Holy Spirit" is a seven week DVD program by Dr. Tom Curran that will fan into flame the light of the Holy Spirit you received COME HOLY SPIRIT at Baptism and Confirmation. Prepare for the Feast of Pentecost! Join us Saturday mornings in the Lower Hall. No materials

required. All are welcome!

HOUR OF GREAT MERCY



Sunday, April 3rd at 3 pm. In April 2000, on the occasion of the canonization of St. Faustina, Pope John Paul II declared that the first Sunday after Easter was henceforth to be known throughout the universal Church as Divine Mercy Sunday. Everyone is welcome to join us

as we honour God, who is rich in mercy!

OFFERTORY: March 19 - 20, 2016		
Sunday Envelopes (207)	\$4,196.25	
Loose Donations \$	548.66	
Building & Maintenance Fund (2)	\$ 60.00	
Debt Fund	\$ 25.00	
Share Lent	\$ 142.00	
Good Friday-Needs of the Holy Land	\$ 110.00	

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!

Events in Our Area

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL, WATERLOO

KW RTL FUNDRAISING DINNER & SILENT AUCTION

Friday, April 1st, beginning at 5 pm. Alex Schadenberg, Executive Director/International Chair Euthanasia Prevention Coalition, will speak on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide in Canada. Social hour with bar, silent auction and dinner at 6 pm. Menu — Fish purchased at the club, about \$10. Donation boxes at each table. Receipts will be issued. Tables of 8 available. Everyone welcome. Call the KW RTL office at 519-746-5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca.

REQUEST FROM BISHOP CROSBY ON PATIENT ASSISTED DYING (EUTHANASIA)

Assisted suicide will soon be legal in Canada. The twentyone recommendations that the parliamentary committee has proposed to the Federal Government go far beyond what the Supreme Court mandated. They include a requirement that doctors who have a moral objection to assisted suicide must, against their wishes, refer their patients to a doctor who will engage in this process. No other country in the world requires this kind of violation of conscience!

As Bishop of the Hamilton Diocese, I encourage you to visit our website www.hamiltondiocese.com, to get a fuller understanding of this issue. I also ask you to write directly to your Member of Parliament. Voice your concerns that the law be written in such a way that it protects those who are vulnerable, as well as the conscience rights of individuals and Catholic institutions involved in health care. The Coalition for HealthCARE and Conscience, made up of numerous partners (including more than 5,000 Canadian doctors) has all the information you will need to write such a letter on their website, www.CanadiansforConscience.ca.

History is being made at this moment – as Catholics we have both the right and obligation to participate in this important process.

Dr. S. Fulop

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