

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

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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.



Welcome to St. Mary's Parish

We extend you a warm welcome and hope that you feel at home. To register with St. Mary's please complete a Registration form – either online on the parish website, or by using the form provided at all church doors.

MASS INTENTIONS April 2 - 7, 2019

Tuesday – ferial

Ezekiel 47.1-9, 12 John 5.1-16

12:00 pm †Lila Kamin

Wednesday – ferial

Isaiah 49.8-15 John 5.16-30

12:00 pm †Edward Quinlan

Thursday – ferial

Exodus 32.7-14 John 5.18, 31-47++

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:15 am Confession until 11:45 am

12:00 pm †Carl Glasser

Friday – ferial

Wisdom 2.1a, 12-22 John 7.1-2, 10, 25-30

11:30 am Stations of the Cross

12:00 pm †Joaquina Gomes Costa

Saturday – ferial

Jeremiah 11.18-20 John 7.40-53

8:00 am For the Souls in Purgatory

8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration until 9:30 am

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Isaiah 43.16 Philippians 3.8-14 John 8.1-11

5:00 pm †Mary Dorsch, †Mary Fitzgerald

Sunday

8:30 am †Rudolph, †Johanna & †Karl Planinc

11:00 am Our Parishioners

3:00 pm †Anne Maskerine (Traditional Latin Mass)

OFFERTORY – March 24, 2019	
Sunday Offerings	\$3,966.65
Sunday Pre-Authorized (per week)	\$858.00
Building & Maintenance Offerings	\$535.00
B & M Pre-Authorized (per week)	\$222.23

We thank all our Parishioners, Visitors and Benefactors for their generous support!

COFFEE SUNDAYS

Come on down to the lower hall after the 8:30 am Mass for some coffee, tea, 'Lent-friendly' treats and/or a game of ping pong! Whether you can stay for just a minute or an hour, join us. Let's make St. Mary's a place where "everybody knows your name".

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Jesus' teaching to the people of the parable of the prodigal son was timely. It came at a point in his ministry where he was beginning to reach out to people on the margins of society; the public sinners; the poor; the lepers; the

prostitutes; any others that were forgotten or severely judged by their grave actions. If one didn't belong to the chosen clan of the descendants of Israel and observed the Judaic traditions, then they were not worthy of the fruits of the kingdom of God. Jesus's public ministry overturned that mentality. Anyone who responded in faith to his teachings were welcomed and embraced by him. The parable teaches his listeners that there is no person that is beyond the love, mercy, forgiveness of our God and no sin too great for God to forgive and transform into grace. The only thing necessary for that grace to happen is a willing spirit and an open and contrite heart. The lost son in the gospel came back to the father in true sorrow and a desire to make amends for squandering his father's inheritance. The father, instead of reducing that relationship to the son as a hired hand, still claimed him as his son. This is the loving and forgiving nature of God in the lives of each of his children. No matter what any of us has done to separate ourselves from God, he still calls us sons and daughters and embraces us with his tender mercy and forgiveness and transforms us to a closer relationship with him.

Written by Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R.

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<u>COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S</u>			
March:			
31:	9:30 am	Coffee Social after 8:30 am Mass	
	7:00 pm	Evensong & Social	
April:			
2:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program	
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group	
3:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal	
4:	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	
5:	11:30 am	Stations of the Cross	
6:	8:30 am	Eucharistic Adoration until 9:30 am	
	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program	
6/7:	All Masses	Building & Maintenance Collection	
7:	9:30 am	Coffee Social after 8:30 am Mass	
	12:00 pm	Coffee Social after 11:00 am Mass	
9:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program	
	7:00 pm	Lenten Penitential Service	
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group	
10:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal	
11:	12:30 pm	German Men's & Ladies' Group	
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal	
12:	11:30 am	Stations of the Cross	
13:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program	
	All Masses	Annual Share Lent Collection	

'EVENSONG'



This Sunday, March 31st at 7 pm. Join us for Evensong - in 'traditional' English. The Sodality of St. Edmund, a Catholic

Community, hopes to join the North American Ordinariate (The Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of St Peter) once fully established! Evensong takes place on the last Sunday of the month. After Evensong, you are invited to join us in the Parish Hall for a social time. For more information, email us at: StEdmund@pwi-insurance.ca.

ONE HEART, ONE SOUL FUNDRAISER

The countdown is on for the *One Heart, One Soul* Campaign fundraiser taking place here at St. Mary's. **On the weekend of April 6**th **and 7**th, we will be introducing our strategy to raise funds for wheelchair accessible washrooms, a new kitchen and flooring for the lower hall. This will enable us to have socials that include everyone and projects that better meet the needs of our neighbours. Stay tuned!

NORTH OF 60 - ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Baker Lake is Nunavut's only inland community. With a population of 1,728 people, it is situated 40km from the geographic center of Canada and during the summer months all things must be shipped in by sea containers. Later this year, during the winter, the community will only be supplied by air at a huge cost. We are trying to collect as many 2lb, light weight plastic containers of Folgers and Maxwell House medium blend coffee as we can. Please bring your donation in reusable grocery bags to the back of the Church on the weekend of April 6th/7th and we will forward them to our needy sisters and brothers in Nunavut.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Tuesday, April 9th at 7 pm. 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. 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!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

St. Teresa Parish, Kitchener LENTEN RETREAT

Sunday, March 31st – Wednesday, April 3rd. Mass will be celebrated at 7 pm to start each evening on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Our retreat master is Fr. David Perrin from St. Jerome's University. Join us for this special event and bring a friend to take advantage of this Lenten preparation for Easter. If you are interested in the itinerary please call Ann at 519-743-4525. All are welcome.

Freeport Hospital, Kitchener PRAYER VIGIL

Thursday, April 4th from 9 - 10 am. There will be a Prayer Vigil for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own. Any queries, contact Cathy, kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com.

Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre, St. Jerome's University ARCHITECTURE FOR SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION

Friday, April 5, 7:30 pm. Join us for the next 2018-2019 Lecture in Catholic Experience hosted by St. Jerome's University. LGA Architectural Partner, Janna Levitt, believes that architecture is an essential tool for creating living, working, and learning environments that celebrate diverse cultures, environments and social dynamics. In this lecture she will talk about how a process of deep engagement with communities results in buildings and environments that delight, resonate and challenge us. Doors open at 6:45 pm. This lecture is available on a complimentary basis. Please register at: www.sju.ca/lce. Tickets are not required at the door.

Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre, Maryhill **LENTEN PROJECT**

Saturday, April 6th at 10 am – 12:30 pm. Guest speaker is Ania Krysciak, University of Guelph Chaplain, and much respected speaker. Her topic is "How do we save ourselves – Our Salvation". Refreshments will be provided at break. A small free will offering would be appreciated. All welcome. Please call 519-648-2939 with numbers so we have an approximate idea of attendance.

Cathedral Basilica of Christ The King, Hamilton WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Sunday, June 9th at 1:30 pm. Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2019? Join Bishop Douglas Crosby as he celebrates the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass. Space allows room for anniversary couples only, however those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest. **Please register by Sunday, May 19th.** Details available on the poster at the main entrance bulletin board in the church.

PILGRIMAGE TO SHRINES IN QUEBEC

Monday, August 5th - Friday, August 9th. Join us for our 45th Pilgrimage to Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine, St. Anne de Beaupre, Sacred Heart Shrine and Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine. For more information please refer to the poster on the bulletin boards or contact Rose Gunn, 519-744-5923 or Erna Spoenlein, 519-743-1030.



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