

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

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Penny Laurette - Admin Assistant

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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!

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 10 - 15, 2020

Tuesday – ferial

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

12:00 pm †Lloyd Walter

Wednesday – ferial

Jeremiah 18.18-20 Matthew 20.17-28

12:00 pm †Emile van Kerrebroeck

Thursday – ferial

Jeremiah 17.5-10 Luke 16.19-31

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:15 am Confession until 11:45 am

12:00 pm For the Holy Father

Friday – ferial

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

11:30 am Stations of the Cross

12:00 pm †Mary Fitzgerald

Saturday – ferial

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

8:00 am Intentions for Andrew van Kerrebroeck & Family

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

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

5:00 pm †Joe MacDonald, †Omer Sonneville, †Jim Kay Sr., Intentions of James Kelly

Sunday

8:30 am †Noble Galloway

11:00 am For Our Parishioners

3:00 pm Intentions for Adam Johnson (Traditional Latin Mass)

OFFERTORY – February 29th & March 1st, 2020

Sunday Offerings\$5,253.14Building Fund Offerings\$1,200.62Seminary Education Offerings\$4.00

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

YOUR SUNDAY CHUCKLE!





"Remind me never to ask the Youth Group to help fold the church bulletins again."

CR CORNER



In our first reading for this Second Sunday of Lent, Abram leaves behind so much stability because he listened to and acted on God's word in his life. This would have taken a lot of prayer

and trust because anyone journeying at this time their lives would experience much suffering during any move. Their lives would be in danger in the place where they were going as well as along the journey itself. Abram and his family were vulnerable to theft and violence on the way and faced rejection by those whom they encountered in a foreign town. But they persevered. And God provided.

This pattern of listening, leaving and suffering continues in our readings through St. Paul's suffering for the sake of the Gospels and Peter's submission to God's desire that they listen to Jesus, leave their brilliant mountain top experience, and move closer to the time of crucifixion. Both Peter and Paul persevered. And God, once again, provided.

Within and beyond our faith tradition God continues to speak to us today. When receiving instruction from the late Fr. Charlie Fedy, CR on the virtues of listening he would often remind me that I had two ears and one mouth! Perhaps a reminder to us all of the importance of listening to God's voice in silence, scripture passages, the prayers, and sacraments of the Church. Or perhaps in nature and the words of those who may see something in us that we may not see ourselves. Acting upon what we hear may also invite us to leave something behind for the sake of God's plan. Maybe not a move to another land, but perhaps a request to leave behind something that we have valued for a time. Letting go and taking this risk may lead us to suffering but never for the sake of suffering itself. If God is truly at work we will see new life spring forth eventually. May today's readings and the following reflection by Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, SJ remind us of God's ability to restore humanity and provide for us all through a process of listening, leaving and suffering.

Patient Trust

"Above all, trust in the slow work of God.
Let your ideas mature gradually—let them grow,
let them shape themselves, without undue haste.
Don't try to force them on, as though you could be today
what time will make of you tomorrow. Only God could say
what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be.
Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is
leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself
in suspense and incomplete."

Written by Fr. Toby Collins, C.R.

<u>COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S</u>		
March:		
7/8:	All Masses	Debt Fund Collection
8:	12:00 pm	CWL General Meeting
	4:00 pm	Latin Congregation Social
10:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Hampers
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
11:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
12:	7:00 pm	11 am Choir Rehearsal
13:	11:30 am	Stations of the Cross
	12:30 pm	Sandwich Outreach Project
14:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Hampers
	2:00 pm	Community Concert
14/15:	All Masses	Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection
15:	9:30 am	Coffee Cocial
	12:15 pm	Sandwich Outreach Project
	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 12th from 7:30 - 9 pm.

St. Mary's has launched 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 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, singer-songwriters, and community music. Don't pass up on this opportunity to hear Anya and her students play! All are welcome.

REMINDER: NOT ACCEPTING CLOTHING DONATIONS

While St. Mary's continues to support our neighbours by providing sandwiches and winter **outerwear (i.e. coats, boots),** we are **not** accepting donations of clothing. Our facility simply does not have the storage to accommodate this type of donation. Fortunately, we are surrounded by neighbouring organizations who do process clothing donations. Please bring your clothing donations to The Working Centre's "Worth a Second Look" at 97 Victoria Street North (between Weber and Duke Sts), and they will make sure your donation goes to a good home.

GARDEN PROGRAM

St. Mary's is getting ready for another season of Garden Program! This program is run in partnership with Circle of Friends, which is an organization that provides opportunities for social inclusion for individuals who once faced homelessness. If you are passionate about social inclusion and are willing to try out gardening with the rest of us, consider joining this year! We meet weekly throughout the summer months, on Wednesdays from 10:30 am - noon. Talk to Rianne for more details.

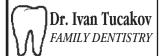
WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

St. Agnes Parish, Waterloo EDUCATION CAFÉ

This Sunday, March 8th from 2 – 3 pm. All are welcome to attend a one hour special event as Fr. Toby Collins, CR - St. Mary's Parish, & Francis Doyle - Director of Stewardship, Diocese of Hamilton, co-present a great talk on the challenges we can all face with balancing priorities, particularly the pressures around our time & money. Do we own our possessions or do they own us? How can we use our gifts, such as our time, wealth, and relationships, expanding them while developing freedom from possessiveness? Complimentary event, with Q & A and refreshments.

Cathedral Basilica of Christ The King, Hamilton **WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Sunday, June 14th **at 1:30 pm.** Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2020? 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. Light refreshments will follow the Mass. **Please register by Sunday, May 31**st. Details available on the poster at the main entrance bulletin board of the church.



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