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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

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 - 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 those inquiring about marriage, contact the parish office.

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 by emailing Fr. Dan Lobsinger at vocationculture@gmail.com. All enquires are confidential.

St. Vincent de Paul Update - Special thanks to the volunteers who are keeping this form of outreach going. We continue to share in Christ's life together through the time and monetary gifts we offer. Please continue to give with great generosity and know that your gifts are reaching those who need it most.

Most Holy Sacrifice of The Mass

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am 9:15 am (German/English) 11:00 am
3:00 pm (Traditional Latin Mass)
(Children's Liturgy Sept. - June at 11:00 am)

Weekday Masses and Devotions

Please Refer to the Schedule Inside Bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursday : 11:15 - 11:45 am
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 pm
and 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.

Rosary - Tuesday to Friday after Mass.

Visits to the Sick - - Please notify the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion and Sacrament of the Sick. If you enter the hospital, 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 Deadline: Please email any announcements by 4:00 pm Monday to be considered for the weekend bulletin.

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



Welcome to St. Mary's Parish

We extend you a warm welcome and pray 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 March 12 - 17, 2019

Tuesday - ferial

Isaiah 55.10-11 Matthew 6.7-15

12:00 pm Intentions for Monica Belford

Wednesday – ferial

Jonah 3.1-10 Luke 11.29-32

12:00 pm For The Souls in Purgatory

Thursday – ferial

Esther 14.1, 3-5, 12-14 Matthew 7.7-12

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:15 am Confession until 11:45 am

12:00 pm †Gregory Halliday

Friday – ferial

Ezekiel 18.21-28 Matthew 5.20-26

12:00 pm ††Joseph & Heidi Eppich

Saturday – ferial

Deuteronomy 26.16-19 Matthew 5.43-48

8:00 am Intentions for Grace Gajkowski

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18 Philippians 3.17-4.1 Luke 9.28b-36

5:00 pm †Joe MacDonald, †Patricia Wunder, †Jim Kay Sr.

Sunday

8:30 am †Mary Belanger

9:45 am Holy Hour of Prayer until 10:45 am

11:00 am Our Parishioners

3:00 pm Intentions for Ivan Jagas Sr. (Traditional Latin Mass)

OFFERTORY – February 24, 2019

Sunday Offerings	\$4,748.40
Sunday Pre-Authorized (per week)	\$858.00
Easter Flower Offerings	\$100.00
Building & Maintenance Offerings	\$1,103.00
B & M Pre-Authorized (per week)	\$222.23
Seminary Education Offerings	\$25.00

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

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 rianne.stmarys@gmail.com or 519-576-3860 x 210 to let her know that you're interested and/or to share your ideas.

CR CORNER



The gospel reading that is presented to us on this first Sunday of Lent is the temptations that Jesus faced when he was in the desert for forty days. When he heard the Father declare to him at his baptism: "you are my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased," he found it important to find that quiet place to prayerfully ponder within himself what those words meant for him. He established within himself to call to be sent forth to establish and kingdom of justice, peace and love for all people through his own sacrificing love of suffering and death. The temptations that he would face from the devil would be to persuade him that "you are NOT the beloved of God. Being the beloved cannot involve saving and redeeming humanity through a self-giving gift of suffering and death but as God, you can have everything for your own good and your own sake and that will make you happy."

Sometimes it may be difficult for any of us to believe that Jesus was tempted to be led on this path because he was God and God did not sin. However, it was important for Jesus to be tempted in order to lead us to understand how the temptations for ourselves can lead us to a path of self-interest and self-indulgence and ultimately, can lead us from the path God has planned for us to be his instruments of God's saving love in the world.

We are invited to ponder in our own lives the truth that each of us is 'a beloved son or daughter of God' and that our call to union with God is to unite our sufferings to that of Jesus' suffering and to make sacrifices to cooperate with God in bringing his peace, justice and love to others. Whatever temptations we experience in our lives that lead us astray from that truth, calls us to seek the Spirit's strength to redirect our hearts back to doing God's will and drawing closer to him just as Jesus drew strength from the Father.

Written by Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR

OUR MASS TIME CHANGE

Next Sunday, March 17th, our 8 am and 9:15 am Masses will be combined and will now be held at 8:30 am, featuring music by St. Mary's Marienchor and John B. Miller. The Mass will be in English with the exception of the second reading which will be in German. Worship aids will be available for translation. All are welcome to attend.

If any of our parishioners need assistance getting to and from the 8:30 am Mass, please contact the parish office.

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S

March:		
10:	12:00 pm	CWL General Meeting
12:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group
13:	7:00 pm	Marienchor Rehearsal
14:	12:30 pm	German Men's & Ladies' Group
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
15/16:	All Masses Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection	
17:	9:30 am	Coffee Social
	12:00 pm	Coffee Social
	4:00 pm	Latin Congregation Social
19:	9:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program
	8:00 pm	Living Sober Group

SSVP CORNER



Your St Mary's St Vincent de Paul is pleased to share the good news with you that the food hamper outreach program that we run with your support in the lower hall on Tuesdays has now been extended to serve our most needy downtown neighbours on Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 11. As volunteers are the key to the success of our programs, any Parishioners interested in sharing in the Vincentian Spirit and getting more information about supporting this or any of our other outreach programs are encouraged to leave a message for Don McClure at 519-886-8685.

ST. MARY'S CWL GENERAL MEETING



Sunday, March 10th following 11 am Mass.

Join us for a bite of lunch (soup and beverages provided - you may wish to bring you own brown bag sandwich), in the Lower Hall. We are pleased to welcome Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR., our Associate Pastor, who will present a Lenten talk, on "Forgiveness". Please join us for this special time of prayer and fellowship. Gentle reminder for League members that your Membership Fee is due - many thanks to all who have already paid! Looking forward to seeing you there!!

HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER

In collaboration with the Presbyteral Council, Bishop Crosby has declared that a **Holy Hour Prayer For Survivors And Victims of Sexual Abuse** take place in every parish of the diocese on the Second Sunday of Lent. This is to respond to the need to pray for victims and all those affected by the abuses. **Please join us at St Mary's for a Holy Hour of Prayer on Sunday, March 17th from 9:45 - 10:45am.**

COFFEE SUNDAYS

Come on down to the lower hall after Mass for some coffee, tea, and 'Lent-friendly' treats! 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". **8:30 am Mass socials begin March 17th and will be recurring weekly as the two congregations are brought together. 11 am Mass socials begin March 17th and will be recurring the first Sunday of the month thereafter.** There will be ping-pong.

ALL TOO OFTEN WE forget to express appreciation to those in service-oriented jobs, including priests, sisters and brothers. We forget because we think, "It's their job to help." Priests and religious aren't superhuman. They need genuine support from those they serve. Let them know how you feel.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

St. Michael's Parish Centre, Waterloo

LENTEN PREPARATION

Tuesday, March 12th, 7:30 - 9 pm. How do we understand 'community' in our modern world? How do we live as community in the Church? What can we learn from the early Christian community? Join us for a reflection on Our Life in Community through the lens of the illumination of the Saint John's Bible. Dr. Anne Jamieson, Director of Catechesis for the Diocese of Hamilton, will lead us in this retreat steeped in the Word of God. This session will help guide us as we prepare for Easter. Feel free to bring a friend along too!

St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Kitchener

LENTEN MISSION/RETREATS

You are invited to attend any of these Wednesday evenings with a Lenten themed Mass starting at 7 pm: **March 13:** "Forgiveness: Seeking and Sharing this grace from God" by Fr. Dan Lobsinger, CR. **March 20:** "Paschal Mystery: Central to our Faith" by Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, CR. **March 27:** "Commandments: Living and Teaching God's Law" by Fr. Toby Collins, CR. **April 3:** "Anointing: Raised to New Life" (this would include the sacrament of the sick at Mass) by Fr. Sam Restivo, CR. **April 10:** "Resurrection: Set Free in Christ" by Fr. Tim Uniac, CR.

St. Anne's Church Hall, Kitchener

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday's from March 13th - April 17th at 7 pm. A detailed study of the Gospel of Luke. This study promises to enrich your knowledge. Led by Father Brian Quigley. Please call the parish office 519-745-5302 if you plan to attend.

St. Michael Church, Waterloo

REEL JUSTICE "POVERTY, INC."

Tuesday, March 19th at 7:30 pm. The film focuses on the challenge of fighting poverty; however, this effort has led to a vast multi-billion dollar poverty industry — the business of doing good has never been better. Drawing from over 200 interviews filmed in 20 countries, Poverty, Inc. unearths an uncomfortable side of charity we can no longer ignore. The film is sponsored by The Diocese of Hamilton and Development and Peace. Free admission. All are welcome.



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