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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 - 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 details regarding 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*

Mass Schedule and Intentions This Week

March 14 - 20, 2016

Monday - ferial

Daniel 13.2, 4-6, 8, 15-16, 19-23 John 8.12-20

12:10 pm For All Those on Our Prayer List

7:00 pm Lenten Penitential Service

Tuesday - ferial

Numbers 21.4-9 John 8.21-30

7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am ††Ed and Jo Boudreau

Wednesday - ferial

Daniel 3.13-20, 24, 49-50, 91-95++ John 8.31-42

7:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 am †James Kay Sr.

Thursday - St. Patrick

Genesis 17.3-9 John 8.51-59

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy

12:10 pm For Vocations to the Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday - St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13++ John 10.31-42

11:30 am Stations of the Cross

12:10 pm For Persecuted Christians

Saturday - St. Joseph

2 Samuel 7.4-5a, 12-14a, 16 Romans 4.13, 16-18, 22

Matthew 1.16, 18-21, 24a

8:00 am ††Ed and Jo Boudreau

4:00 pm Confessions

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Luke 19.28-40 Isaiah 50.4-7 Philippians 2.6-11 Luke 23.1-49

Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection

5:00 pm For the Costa Family

Sunday

8:00 am Our Parishioners

9:15 am †Jacob Krohn, ††Franz and Rosalia Gregoritsch, †Joseph Eppich

11:00 am †Bill Kennaley

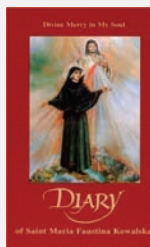
LENTEN MASS SCHEDULE

During Lent, our regular weekday Mass schedule will prevail **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.**

What am I racing after in my life? Fame? Fortune? A life in Jesus? What is the prize I seek at the finish-line? If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit resurrectionists.ca/vocations.

DIVINE MERCY MEDITATION

What Am I Afraid of?



Meditation: What are you afraid of? If you are with Me, who will dare touch you? Nevertheless, I am very pleased that you confide your fears to Me, My daughter. Speak to Me about everything in a completely simple and human way; by this you will give Me great joy. I understand you because I am God-Man. This simple language of your heart is more pleasing to Me than the hymns composed in My honour. Know, My daughter, that the simpler your speech is, the more you attract Me to yourself. And now, be at peace close to My Heart. Lay your pen aside and get ready to leave (*Diary, 797*).

My Prayer Response: What a great question, Lord! What am I afraid of? You are always with me. Help me to be always with You.

(Courtesy of Lighthouse Catholic Media)

Coming Up at St. Mary's

- Mar 12/13: All Masses - Annual Share Lent Collection
- Mar 13: 12:00 pm CWL General Meeting
3:00 pm Parish Lenten Retreat
- Mar 14: 7:00 pm Lenten Penitential Service
- Mar. 15: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group
- Mar. 16: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
- Mar. 17: 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- Mar. 19/20: All Masses - St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- Mar. 20: 10:15 am German Congregation Social
- Mar. 21: 5:30 pm CWL Executive Meeting
- Mar. 22: 11:00 am St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm Living Sober Group
- Mar. 23: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
- Mar. 24: Easter Triduum Begins
- Mar. 26: 11:00 am Blessing of Easter Food
- Mar. 29: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group

PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

Sunday, March 13th from 3 - 6 pm. Everyone is invited to join us in the Lower Hall for our Lenten Retreat. The theme will be "Mercy & Identity" and ALL are welcome.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Monday, March 14th 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.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS



Thank you for your nonperishable food donations! Any food donations can be placed in the basket marked SVdeP under the pew outside the Lower Hall doors. **Currently, we are in need of canned fruits and chunky soups.**

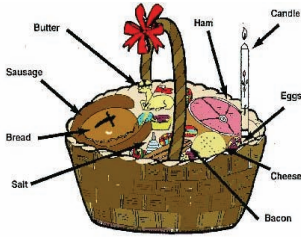
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



March 19th - 20th. On this day we recall the messianic entrance of the Lord Jesus into Jerusalem, coming to complete His paschal mystery. There will be Blessing of the Palms, at all Masses, and Processions at the 5 pm and 11 am Masses.

BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD

Holy Saturday, March 26th at 11 am. One of the favourite Polish



Easter traditions is the Blessing of Easter Food on Holy Saturday. It is a custom that many Churches around the world have adopted. After the fast of Lent, it is now time to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord! The Blessing of Easter Food is a festive occasion where decorated

baskets containing a small sampling of Easter foods (listed below), are brought to the Church to be blessed.

Butter - Often shaped into a lamb or a cross. This reminds us of the good will of Christ that we should have toward all things.

Easter Bread - A round or long loaf topped with a cross or fish, symbolic of Jesus, who is the Bread of Life.

Horseradish - Symbolic of the Passion of Christ, still in our minds.

Eggs - Indicates new life and Christ's Resurrection from the tomb.

Sausage (Kielbasa) - Symbolic of God's favour and generosity

Ham - Symbolic of great joy and abundance. Some prefer lamb or veal. The lamb also reminds Christians that the Risen Christ is the "Lamb of God".

Smoked Bacon - A symbol of the overabundance of God's mercy and generosity.

Salt - A necessary element in our physical life; symbolic of prosperity and justice and to remind us that people are the flavour of the earth.

Cheese - Symbolic of the moderation Christians should have at all times.

Candle - Represents Christ as the light of the World.

Colourful Ribbons & Greenery - Attached to the basket as signs of joy and new life in the season of spring and in celebration of the Resurrection.

Linen Cover - Drawn over the top of the basket, which is ready for the trip to church where it is jointed with the baskets of others to await the blessing. The food is then set aside and enjoyed on Easter Sunday.

Consider bringing your basket of Easter Food to the Lower Hall for this wonderful tradition!

EASTER SCHEDULE

March 24 - 28, 2016

HOLY THURSDAY - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

7:00 pm **Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life**
Followed by Adoration Before the Altar of Repose

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

11:00 am **Stations of the Cross**
3:00 pm **Good Friday Liturgy**
Liturgy of the Word - Veneration of the Cross - Holy Communion

HOLY SATURDAY - EASTER VIGIL

8:00 pm **Intentions of the Donors of Easter Flowers**
*The Service of Light and Procession - Liturgy of the Word
Blessing of Baptismal Water - Renewal of Baptismal Promises
Liturgy of the Eucharist*

EASTER SUNDAY THE SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

8:00 am **For the Schmalz and Daly Families**
9:15 am †Hans Neidenbach, †Anna Schustereit, †Bernhard Didio
11:00 am **Our Parishioners**

EASTER MONDAY

11:00 am †Sr. Barbara Frank, SSND

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 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 5 - 6, 2016

Sunday Envelopes (202)	\$3,596.25
Loose Donations	\$ 313.56
Building & Maintenance Fund (109)	\$1,570.55
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Easter Flower Fund	\$ 150.00
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