

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

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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

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 at stmarysrcchurch.ca, or by using the form provided at all church doors.

MASS INTENTIONS November 19 - 26, 2019

Tuesday – ferial

2 Maccabees 6.18-31 Luke 19.1-10

12:00 pm †Bernhard Didio

Wednesday – ferial

2 Maccabees 7.1, 20-31 Luke 19.11-28

12:00 pm †Paul, †Maria & †Paula Fath

Thursday – The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Maccabees 2.15-29 Luke 19.41-44

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:15 am Confession until 11:45 am

12:00 pm ††Karl & Adele Gahlinger

Friday – St. Cecilia

1 Maccabees 4.36-37, 52-59 Luke 19.45-48

12:00 pm †Barry Bird

Saturday – ferial

1 Maccabees 6.1-13 Luke 20.27-40

8:00 am Intentions for Rianne Rops

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

2 Samuel 5.1-3 Colossians 1.12-20 Luke 23.35-43

5:00 pm Deceased Members of the Schiebel Family, †Karl Gahlinger, †Iria Soares Vargas, ††Catherine & Eugene Geffros & Family

Sunday

8:30 am †Edward Ronald Dale & ††Andreas & Rosalia Petsche Family

11:00 am Our Parishioners

3:00 pm †Agnus Costa

(Traditional Latin Mass)

OFFERTORY – November 10, 2019

Sunday Offerings	\$4,663.70
Building & Maintenance Offerings	\$445.00
Evangelization of Nations/World Mission	\$90.00

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

SUNDAY MISSALS

The 2020 St. Joseph Missals are still available. They can be purchased for \$5 at the main entrance of the church and through the parish office. **Ministers of the Word**, please be sure to pick up your complimentary copy in the Sacristy, to enable you to prepare your readings in advance.

CR CORNER



In a few weeks, we will be coming to the end of our liturgical year and begin the season of Advent. During this time, our readings will center on the theme of the 'end times" where there will be the final judgement of God on all

creation. This thought can provoke fear in each of us, particularly after reading Luke's gospel of Jesus speaking of the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem and how there will be wars and insurrections, disaster and persecutions that will first take place. After all, the temple was a sign to the early Christians of the presence of God. This gospel account was written a decade after the actual destruction of the temple. Therefore, the listeners of this message must have believed the end of the world was imminent. However, these messages were coming not from God but from others who claimed they knew when the end would be coming.

The world continues to exist today even with these same events happening around us, i.e. climate change; war; natural disasters; nations polarized by political strife; technology that is dehumanizing the planet. Today, we can listen to the 'false prophets" in our midst claiming that the end of the world is coming and live in fear because of these messages. We can also listen to the prophet Malachi in our first reading to "fear the Lord" and believe that God's plan is greater than any force on earth. Jesus echoes that message centuries later by concluding that you need not be terrified. "Not a single hair of your head will be forgotten. By your endurance, you will gain your souls". God's love through Jesus' death and Resurrection is the final victory over eternal death.

Written by Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R.

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S November: 16/17: All Masses Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection 17: 9:30 am Parish Social 4:00 pm Latin Congregation Social 18: 8:00 pm Glorious Weakness Group 19: 9:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program 8:00 pm Living Sober Group 20: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal 21: 7:00 pm 11 am Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Latin Choir Rehearsal (Lower Hall) 22: 7:00 pm St. Louis Adult Learning Graduation 23: 9:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program 23/24: All Masses Christmas Flower Fund Collection **Debt Collection** 24: 4:00 pm Latin Congregation Social 7:00 pm Evensong & Social

NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE



During the month of November we pray for the souls of our beloved dead. Everyone is invited to inscribe the names of their loved ones in our Book of Remembrance. The book is located at

the front of the Church, in front of the Blessed Virgin Altar.

LECTORS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

The schedule for Advent and Christmas is now in the works. Please contact Mark Lubczuk, 519-578-3269 with your availability as soon as possible. Thank you.

COLLECTING WINTER ITEMS

We will be collecting emergency winter items for those who go without. We are looking for *wearable* items that are warm and in very good condition, for both adults and children. This includes: waterproof boots, heavy socks, hats, scarves, mittens, winter coats, snow pants, long johns, and bulky sweaters. Donation boxes are located at the back of the church and the rectory side-entrance. You can also drop off items at the parish office during office hours.

"The bread in your cupboard belongs to the hungry; the coat unused in your closet belongs to the one who needs its; the shoes rotting in your closet belong to the one who has no shoes..." (St. Basil the Great)

ST. MARY'S WINTER TAXI SERVICE

We have set up an account with a local taxi company to offer taxi service for parishioners during the winter months. If your regular mode of transportation is unavailable and you're unable to get to Mass otherwise, you can now use our taxi account and the parish will be billed directly. If you or someone you know would benefit from this, please see parish staff for more details.

YW SHELTER CHRISTMAS PARTY

Friday, December 19th. This Christmas, we will be sharing our love and cheer with the women and families at the YW women's shelter. We are teaming up with Nexus church to throw a Christmas party. We are looking for volunteers to... a) help decorate the YW's community room on the evening of Tuesday, December 17th; b) send homemade baked goods for the party on the 19th; and c) lead a family-friendly craft or activity at the event. If you are interested in getting involved, please reach out to Rianne at rianne.stmarys@gmail.com or call the parish office.

ADVENT CONCERT

Saturday, November 30th at 7:00 pm. Join us for "Songs of Advent and the Birth of Jesus", presented by John B. Biller & Friends. A \$10 cash donation is appreciated at the door. Visit johnbmiller.ca for more information. Everyone is welcome!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN

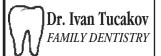
You may be aware that CFFC has a storage and financial crisis at the Toronto Warehouse. It is filled with large crates of donations, (food, clothing, medicines....) that cannot be shipped to the poor due to lack of funds. A crate to El Salvador is \$3,000 USD and one to Africa is \$10,000. The Toronto Warehouse is filled to capacity which will stop deliveries from other cities like Kitchener! Monetary donations can be sent by cheque to Canadian Food for Children Warehouse, 1258 Lakeshore Road East, Mississauga, ON L5E 3B8 if you wish to help. You can also donate online at Canadianfoidforchildren.net. For more information contact the office or Wendy at 519-743-5353.

Grandview Baptist Church, Kitchener TREE OF BRIGHT STARS

Friday, November 22nd at 7 pm. The Tree of Bright Stars is a caring comforting memorial where those whose lives have been touched by loss can unite in support and acknowledge that the holiday season can be an especially difficult time in the journey of grief. You are invited to dedicate a personalized stained glass or engraved star or angel in memory of your loved one. During the dedication service, you are invited to place your stars/angels on the tree. This is a non-religious service with a special musical interlude that creates a quiet, uplifting time to share in the fellowship of friends and family.

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Waterloo WHY@BREAKFAST - EXPLORING SPIRITUAL PRACTICES

Saturday, November 23rd at 9:30 am. Fr. Bernie Carroll, SJ, spiritual director at Loyola House Retreat and Training Centre, will present several traditional and contemporary Christian spiritual practices to help us seek God in today's busy, confused and complex world. After the talk, there is a preview of a new project brought to you by a few Catholic & Lutheran churches in Waterloo. Free presentation with refreshments. Please call the church office at 519-886-0342 or leave a note at whyatbreakfast@gmail.com. For more information, see https://whyatbreakfast.com.



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