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The 160th Anniversary of Our Parish

The building of the first church extended from 1854 to 1856, and the assignment of a residing Pastor the following year, officially marked the establishment of the Parish

IN 2017 WE CELEBRATE

The Centennial of the Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima

We are asked to do penance and pray the Rosary for the conversion of sinners and for peace in the world



Father George Nowak, C.R. - Pastor

Father Paul Szymanowski, C.R. - 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 our 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 **regularly attending parishioners who have been registered at least 1 year**. 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 registered parishioners inquiring about marriage, contact the parish office 1 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, C.R., 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: Please email any announcements by 4:00 pm Monday to be included in the weekend bulletin.

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

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING



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 and to request Sunday Offertory envelopes, please complete a Registration form – either online at the parish website, or by using the form provided at all church doors.

Mass Intentions: November 27 – December 3, 2017

Monday *ferial*

Daniel 1.1-6, 8-20 Luke 21.1-4

12:10 pm For Deceased Relatives & Friends of the Costa Family

Tuesday *ferial*

Daniel 2.3, 9a, 10a, 27a, 31-45++ Luke 21.5-11

7:30 am Morning Prayer
8:00 am †Betty Wagner

Wednesday *ferial*

Daniel 5.1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 Luke 21.12-19

7:30 am Morning Prayer
8:00 am †Henry Mikulski

Thursday *St. Andrew*

Romans 10.9-18 Matthew 4.18-22

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy
12:10 pm For the Beatification of the Founders of the Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday *ferial*

Daniel 7. 1-14++ Luke 21.29-33

7:30 am Morning Prayer
8:00 am Intentions for Jake Jagas

Saturday *Our Lady's Saturday*

Daniel 7.15-27 Luke 21.34-36

8:00 am Intentions for Francis Costa
8:30 am Eucharistic Adoration until 12:00 pm
4:00 pm Confession

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isaiah 63.16b-17;64.1, 3-8 1 Corinthians 1.3-9 Mark 13.33-37

5:00 pm ††Aurea & Harold Cahill, †Roy Missere, †Beatrice Willing, ††Tom & Marg Lumchick, †Adam Felker

Sunday

8:00 am †Ponciana Ortega & †Joedy Tamiat
9:15 am †Erwin Preiditsch, ††Maria & Alfons Hoegler, †Edith Leidl
11:00 am Our Parishioners

PARISH OFFICE

Please note the office will be closed on Friday, December 1st and Wednesday, December 6th.

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S

November:

25/26: All Masses Flower Fund & Debt Fund Collections
26: 12:00 pm Farewell Reception for Fr. Paul
28: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group
29: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
30: 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

December:

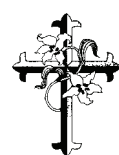
1: **Parish Office is Closed**
2: **8:30 am First Saturday Adoration until 12:00 pm**
11:00 am Adoration for Life until 12:00 pm
8:30 am Our Lady of Sorrows Devotions
2/3: All Masses Monthly Building/Maintenance Collection
5: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group
6: **Parish Office Closed**
7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
7: 1:00 pm Prayer Shawl Group
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
10: 12:00 pm CWL General Meeting
11: **7:00 pm Advent Penitential Service**
12: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group
13: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
14: 1:00 pm German Men's & Lady's Group
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
15/16: All Masses Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection
17: 10:15 am German Congregation Social

OFFERTORY: November 18 & 19, 2017

Sunday Envelopes (173 of 305 env. – avg. \$23.66)	\$4,105.00
Loose Offerings	\$432.45
Building & Maintenance Envelopes	\$10.00
Debt Fund	\$35.00
Christmas Flower Offerings	\$35.00
World Mission Sunday/Evangelization of Nations	\$25.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT

NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE



During 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, located in front of the Blessed Virgin Altar.

2018 SUNDAY MISSALS

St. Joseph Sunday Missals for the 2018 Liturgical year are still available at all Church doors. The cost is \$5.

2018 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Envelopes are now ready for pick up in the Lower Hall. Be sure to pick up the correct box, they are labelled and in alphabetical order. Please notify the parish office if there are any discrepancies so that we can correct any errors and keep our records in order. Anyone who does not have envelopes and wishes to, please complete a Parish Registration form and submit it to the office. Thank you.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS DEVOTIONS



Saturday, December 2nd. All are welcome to join us each First Saturday after 8 am Mass. We meet at the back of the church to pray the Seven Sorrows Rosary. Come and grow in devotion to our loving Mother Mary.

ADORATION FOR LIFE

December 2nd from 11 am – 12 pm (during First Saturday Adoration) A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world to God, the Creator and lover of life... St. JP2. Come, let us adore Jesus in the Eucharist - Console His Heart Wounded by abortion and sins against the Sanctity of Life. Call KW Right to Life for more information, 519-746-5433.

QUIET ROOM

Parents are reminded that our Quiet Room is available during all Masses for you and your child(ren) if the need arises. There is a speaker in the room, so you may still hear the Mass. It is located directly across from the Gift Shop at the main doors of the church. If you have trouble locating it an Usher will be happy to assist you.

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP



Thursday, December 7th at 1 pm. Do you knit/crochet or would like to learn? Join us in the Lower Hall. Hope to see you there! Please also remember: **FREE prayer shawls**, for those experiencing difficulties and/or joyous events are available at the parish office. Donations to defray the cost of yarn are greatly appreciated.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE



Monday, December 11th, beginning at 7 pm. We encourage everyone to receive this Sacrament of God's mercy and forgiveness, and to celebrate Christmas with joy and renewed hearts. Through this privileged encounter with God we are offered forgiveness, healing, made whole again and restored to intimacy with God. To prepare for this graced encounter with Jesus, we should begin by asking the Holy Spirit to give us insight into our innermost being so that we can discover what needs to be changed in our life and relationships, express a true and sincere sorrow for our failures, be desirous of changing our life, confess our faults in the sacrament of reconciliation and do the penance assigned. Several priests will be available to hear individual confessions.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall, Elmira

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING DINNER

Friday, December 1st. The meal begins at 6 pm. Tickets can be ordered through the Parish Office Monday to Friday 9 am to 1 pm by calling 519-669-3387. Tickets are: adults \$16.; children 6-12 years \$8. and children 5 & under are free. There is a limited number of tickets available. Those who purchase take-out tickets can pick their meals up at 5:30 pm. There will be an opportunity to purchase tickets on gift baskets! Last chance to purchase tickets is Wednesday, November 29th. All are welcome! Don't miss out on this delicious Christmas dinner. Funds raised will go towards the Building Maintenance Project.

St. Agnes Church, Waterloo

39th ANNUAL ADVENT NOVENA



Friday, December 8th to Saturday, December 16th. Nine daily Masses at 6:30 am. There will be breakfast in the Parish Centre following Mass on December 16th. A free will offering will be taken for St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers. Note

exception: On Sunday, December 10th, you are welcome to attend your own church on this day or St. Agnes at 9 am or 11 am. Make this Advent a special time of preparation for Christmas by joining your Twin-City friends who have been keeping this Advent tradition for many years. Bring along a friend! Everyone is welcome! Plenty of time to get to work afterwards!

St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Cambridge

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS ...

Monday, December 11th from 7 – 8:30 pm. Join us for an evening of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas when you have lost a loved one. Facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman. This event is FREE of charge, but please call to reserve a seat: 519-658-4443.

NOVENA TO INFANT JESUS

Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? The Sisters of the Carmel of St. Joseph will pray for you during the Novena, December 16th - 25th. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to Carmel of St. Joseph, RR #1, St. Agatha ON NOB 2L0.

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) is an excellent source of education for all Catholics. Enjoy specials about all aspects of our faith, daily Mass and devotions, news and more. EWTN is available through your Rogers Digital Cable box, channel 239, for about \$3.00 a month. If you have internet access, visit www.etwn.com for programming, news, articles and a live feed to the television broadcast for free. Salt & Light is also available through digital cable, channel 240 and their website is www.saltandlighttv.org. Please take advantage of these valuable educational resources.



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