

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

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Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R. - Assisting Priest

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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

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 October 22 - 27, 2019

Tuesday – ferial

Romans 5.12, 15b, 17-21 Luke 12.35-38

12:00 pm For the Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday – ferial

Romans 6.12-18 Luke 12.39-48

12:00 pm †Mary Fitzgerald

Thursday – ferial

Romans 6.19-23 Luke 12.49-53

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:15 am Confession until 11:45 am

12:00 pm †Rudolf Senger

Friday – ferial

Romans 7.18-25a Luke 12.54-59

12:00 pm †Karl Gahlinger

Saturday – ferial

Romans 8.1-11 Luke 13.1-9

8:00 am †Albin Perko & Intentions for Olga Perko & Family

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sirach 35.15-17, 20-22 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 16-18 Luke 18.9-14

5:00 pm Deceased Member of the Schiebel Family, ††Aurea & Harold Cahill, †Fidel Barit Sr.

<u>Sunday</u>

8:30 am For All Benefactors of St. Mary's

11:00 am Our Parishioners

3:00 pm ††Joaquina & Manuel Mota & †Maria Machado (Traditional Latin Mass)

7:00 pm Evensong

OFFERTORY – October 13, 2019

Sunday Offerings\$4,398.39Building & Maintenance Offerings\$285.00Evangelization of Nations/World Mission\$33.00

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE



Please consider going out and offering an hour of your time to pray for an end to abortion at any time from now until

November 3rd. May our support for families and belief that life begins at conception continue to be expressed in loving ways like this.

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In today's Gospel (Luke 18:1-8) Jesus tells the parable of the widow who cries to the judge for justice. It is important to contextualize this story with the opening line of Gospel: "Jesus told the disciples a parable about their need to

pray always and not to lose heart." and with the closing line of the Gospel: "And yet when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth." Let us spend a moment each on prayer, not losing heart and faith.

First, prayer is essential in the life of the Christian because it contextualizes our need for God and our total and utter dependence upon God. I can fool myself to think that I don't need God and that I can: "do it myself" but that is simply not true! Living a life of prayer acknowledges that we are creatures and that God is the Creator. The more that we as creatures are connected to our Creator the more we can become like God, i.e., the more holy we can become.

Secondly, not losing heart. It is so easy to become discouraged and disheartened when we constantly pray either for someone or something and our prayers appear to go unanswered. While living a life of prayer I must always use Jesus's prayer in the garden as my "measuring stick". Jesus tells the Father what he wants: that the cup pass however, he concludes his prayer by saying that his Father's will be done and not his own. Ouch! Today's Collect reminds us of the same as it says: "Almighty everliving God, grant that we may always conform our will to yours..."

Lastly, let us turn our attention to faith. Hebrews 11:1 says: "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." Our faith though only the size of a mustard seed is nurtured in the soil of Hope! As Romans 5:5 states: "hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." And so, we are a people of Hope! We live in Hope! Let us ask the Holy Spirit to enliven our hope, deepen our trust and strengthen our conviction that God in God's time will always "somehow" be faithful to God's promises

Written by Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R.

2020 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

We are in the process of preparing 2020 envelopes for distribution at the end of November. If you are presently using envelopes and have any changes to your address or other information, or if you would like to begin using envelopes, please contact the parish office as soon as possible so we can update our records. Thank you.

| <u>COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S</u> | | |
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| October: | | |
| 19/20: | All Masses | Evangelization of Nations Collection |
| | | St. Vincent de Paul Collection |
| | 4:00 pm | Latin Social |
| 22: | 9:30 am | St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program |
| | 8:00 pm | Living Sober Group |
| 23: | 7:00 pm | Marienchor Rehearsal |
| 24: | 7:00 pm | 11 am Choir Rehearsal |
| 26: | 9:30 am | St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Program |
| | 10:00 am | Mass at Victoria Place Retirement Home |
| 27: | 4:00 pm | Latin Congregation Social |
| | 7:00 pm | Evensong & Social |

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE UPDATE



On behalf of our many Downtown Kitchener Friends who are among the most vulnerable and needy in our Community we wish to thank you, our fellow Parishioners of St. Mary's for your support for the St Vincent de Paul

#OneBagChallenge Thanksgiving Food Drive. Through your generosity, we were blessed with gifts of over 840 pounds (382 Kilos) of food which will help restock our Cupboard shelves in the Lower Hall for the twice-weekly Cupboard emergency food distribution program for an estimated 1,961 visits by the needy in 2019. With gratitude, we say thank-you from your St. Mary's St Vincent de Paul Conference. Our next event is the Reverse Advent Calendar Food Drive beginning on Sunday, December 1st and ending on Tuesday, December 24th.

NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG ADULTS AND TEENS

Are you between the ages of 16 and 35? We are currently expanding our ministry of "Greeters" to include: parking assistance, umbrella escorts in the rain, hot coffee, walkietalkies, and plenty of warm smiles. We want everyone who walks through our doors to experience the warm, vibrant community here at St. Mary's. If you have been given gifts that would benefit this initiative, please connect with Rianne at rianne.stmarys@gmail.com to help shape this exciting new ministry!

ALL SAINT'S DAY

Friday, November 1st. This day honours all the known and unknown saints of the Church and provides us with an opportunity to reflect on the nature of sainthood and to celebrate the exemplary faithfulness of holy men and women whose lives and deeds continue to inspire us. Get acquainted with The Relics of St. Mary's after 12 pm Mass until 2 pm. This is a beautiful time to become more familiar with the patrons of our parish.

ALL SOULS DAY



Saturday, November 2nd. On this day, and throughout the month of November, the Church calls our thoughts to our beloved dead. We are reminded to pray for our dead, and offer acts of charity and Mass intentions for

the repose and union of their souls to God. By doing so, grace enables us to remember the bond of love that existed in life and strengthen that bond, undefeated by death. Mass is celebrated at 8 am.

A CONVERSATION ON DEATH AND DYING

<u>Sunday, November 3rd from 1 – 2:30 pm</u>. So much life lies beyond death. Pope Francis has reminded us of the opportunity to experience this new life already by choosing to reconcile with our own mortality with great hope. Join us in the Lower hall for this free event. Topics include Making Tough Decisions, Estate Planning, Strategic Exit Plan and Value of Catholic Funerals. Please RSVP to stmarys@rogers.com or 519-576-3860. All are welcome!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

St. Brigid's Villa, Ignatius Jesuit Centre, Guelph **2019 D&P RETREAT DAY**



Saturday, October 26th from 9:30 am – 3:15 pm. "Encountering the Spirit through the Synod of the Amazon". Amazonia: new pathways for the Church and for an integral ecology. Join us as we explore the rich

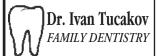
insights through input, prayer, reflection/meditation on the beautiful grounds. Facilitator: Annette Donovan- Panchaud, Campus minister and Social Justice outreach at King's University, London. Contacts: marg.mcdyre@outlook.com, 519-833-4479; Gaiyle: noreyko4@gmail.com 289-396-0672. Cost: \$20. Pot-Luck Lunch.

Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre, Maryhill ULTIMATE ROCK & ROLL PARTY CHARITY DANCE

Saturday, October 26th. 5 - 6 pm 50's & 60's music: 6 - 7 pm 70's & 80's music: 7 - 8 pm 90 & 00's music. After 8 pm your faves. All proceeds to the "Infant Memory Box Programme" Tickets \$10 at the door. Stay for the whole evening or just for your type of music.

St. Anthony Daniel Parish CONCERT BY "SPIRITLINE"

Sunday, October 27th at 2 pm. Laura and Terry Bachynski are Catholic singer-songwriters from Edmonton who delight in sharing their faith and trust in God through their music. Admission \$20. at the door. Pot-luck supper to follow. Sponsored by Cursillo. For more info contact Rosemary MacNeil at macneil.rosemary@yahoo.com.



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