

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 September 24 – 29, 2019

Tuesday – ferial

Ezra 4.4-5; 6.1a, 6ad-8, 12b, 14-20++ Luke 8.19-21

12:00 pm Intentions for Francis Joseph Dvorak

Wednesday – ferial

Ezra 9.5-9 Luke 9.1-6

12:00 pm Intentions for Marie Helene Dvorak

Thursday – St. Jean de Brébeuf & St. Isaac Jogues

Revelation 7.9-17 2 Corinthians 4.7-15 Luke 9.23-26

11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration

11:15 am Confession until 11:45 am

12:00 pm For the Souls in Purgatory

Friday - St. Vincent de Paul

Haggai 2.1-9 Luke 9.18-22

12:00 pm Intentions for Vicky Dvorak

Saturday – ferial

Zechariah 2.1-5, 10-11 Luke 9.43b-45

8:00 am For All Those Who Suffer

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

TWENTY – SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Amos 6.1a, 4-7 1 Timothy 6.11-16 Luke 16.19-31

5:00 pm ††Aurea & Harold Cahill, †Merve Boegel

Sunday

8:30 am Our Parishioners

11:00 am †James Demeis

3:00 pm †Valentine Dias Bandaranayake

(Traditional Latin Mass)

7:00 pm Evensong

OFFERTORY – September 15, 2019

Sunday Offerings	\$6,941.20
Building & Maintenance Offerings	\$337.69
Debt Fund Offerings	\$15.00
Altar Flower Donation for Feast Day	\$50.00

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

VOCATIONS

We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Dan Lobsinger, Vocation Director, Congregation of the Resurrection, at 519-576-3860.

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The portrayal of the prophet Amos that we read in the first reading, is a person filled with anger. This anger when understood and put in context appears to be justified. Amos finds that those who are in privileged positions in society

are claiming all the wealth of land and possessions and exploiting the poor in obtaining this wealth. The result of these actions is him experiencing human suffering. Those who are the weakest and most vulnerable are suffering at the expense of the most powerful. Amos' anger is a signal to the powerful and wealthy that God is one that has compassion for those that are poor.

Amos' message is one that is needed today as well just as it was needed in his time. Our world continues to experience an unequal distribution of wealth among nations and even groups of people within societies. Sometimes it's easy for each of us who have been blessed with an abundance to first, take for granted what we have been given and second, to hoard our possessions for ourselves. Regardless of how much we have, we want more and expend our energy on attaining this wealth. The result often is that those who do not have enough are forgotten and neglected. Jesus emphasized that reality in the gospel when he said: "No one can serve two masters. You either hate the one and love the other." The manager in the gospel came to realize that his actions of dishonesty because of greed were affecting the lives of those for whom he was responsible to support. He was able to take that step in recognizing their plight and suffering and sought to relieve the burden of debt that his actions had incurred.

The invitation for ourselves is to first come to deepen our relationship with Christ, the face of God who emptied himself of all earthly riches, privilege and position through embracing suffering on the cross. It is this sacrifice to which we have been relieved of the burden of our sin and suffering by being given the pledge of forgiveness and mercy. From this gratitude flows from our hearts the gratitude for what we have been given in our lives; our possessions; opportunities to use our gifts; our health; our relationships; faith; knowledge; ability to love and care for others. These are gifts from God. When we acknowledge them as gifts, then our actions are directed toward being responsible with them by responding to those who lack them. It is in reaching out to others that we share the sacrifice that Christ offered for us and our hearts are moved to relive the story of the suffering Christ in the suffering of those around us.

Written by Fr. Dan Lobsinger, C.R.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

A BIG thank you to all those who helped out with our Feast Day celebrations. We helped feed over 250 hungry parishioners and visitors!

Thanks also goes out to all those who participated in our Volunteer Fair this weekend. Your commitment to our parish is what makes St. Mary's so vibrant!

ECUMENICAL PRAYER WITH SONGS OF TAIZÉ



Sunday, September 22nd, 7:30 – 8:30 pm.

Gather here at St. Mary's with churches across K-W for an ecumenical prayer service with Scripture, silence, the Cross, candlelight and

songs from the Taizé community. All are welcome!

MISSION APPEAL

Thank you to all who donated to the Missionaries of Faith 2019 Mission Appeal. Through your generosity we raised \$2,896.00.

THE LEADERHIP ROLE OF FAITH COMMUNITIES IN RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Thursday, September 26th from 2:30 – 8 pm in the Lower Hall. Workshops on supporting our neighbours in extreme weather and "greening" faith buildings. Dinner, and a discussion on what could climate justice look like with the leadership of Waterloo Region's faith communities beginning at 6 pm. Please see the posters on the bulletin boards for more information. All are welcome!

DONATION METHODS

Did you know you can now make donations to St. Mary's by Electronic Funds Transfer using your debit or credit card? There is a new terminal at the back of the church for anyone wishing to make an electronic donation. You can tap or swipe your debit or credit card and the funds are deposited directly into St. Mary's account. As always, you can also still use offertory envelopes, pre-authorized giving or through our website, stmarysrcchurch.ca, using PayPal, debit or credit. Thank you all for your generosity!

NEEDS OF THE CANADIAN CHURCH

This annual collection will be held Canadian parishes **next** weekend, September 28th/29th. Funds raised are sent to our Diocese to help pay its annual contribution to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. The CCCB is involved in national and international pastoral activities and also provides the Bishops with a forum to share experiences and insights on the life of the Church and the events that shape our society.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR AREA

Maryhill Heritage Community Centre MARYHILL PARK FISH FRY

Saturday, September 28th, 12 noon - 7 pm. Eat in or take out - NO reservations, first come-first served. Fresh cut fries, haddock, coleslaw, tartar & lemon. Dessert & coffee/tea available Hot dogs available also - 1 pc dinner \$14; 2 pc \$16. Hot dog platter \$5. In house dinning, children 12 & under are half price for 1 piece dinner. Please call ahead for take out. CASH ONLY! Phone 519-648-2939 for information or take out orders.

St. Clement's Parish, St. Clements ANNUAL CEMETERY MASS

Sunday, September 29th at 2:30 pm. Plan to join us. Fr. Wayne Lobsinger, presider. Remember to bring your lawn chair.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Waterloo FASHION SHOW

Sunday, September 29th at 5:30 pm. Our CWL is hosting a fashion show with clothing by UNIQUE BOUTIQUE: Tickets: \$25.00. Invite your friends and family. Proceeds donated to charities that the CWL sponsors. Call Patrycja at the parish office 519-886-0342 ext 3 or ourladyoflourdescwl@gmail.com for more information.

Waterloo Knights of Columbus Hall, Waterloo ALICES CARD PARTY

Thursday, October 3rd. Doors open at 4 pm. Dinner: sausage on a bun & sauerkraut at 5 pm. Fun and prizes in support of the building fund.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

September brings cooler weather, shorter days and a reestablishment of order as school and fall programs begin. It's a perfect time to examine the busy schedule(s) and discern if you are spending enough quality time as a family. Are you eating together, praying together, spending time playing together and yes, even cleaning together? Nothing will have a greater impact on a young developing mind and body than spending time with the people they depend on and love the most, their family. Make it priority number one and fill the schedule in around established family time, not vice versa!

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

September brings with it the joy of gathering the harvest from plants we have nurtured from the time of their planting. Well looked after plants provide us with food and/or beauty because of the time we have spent watering, feeding, weeding and protecting them. Marriage is like a garden in this respect – the more we nurture our marriage the stronger our love for each other grows. Like a garden we have to feed and water our marriages by spending couple time together, by talking about small and big moments and feelings, by complimenting, helping and protecting our relationship. The harvest of this nurturing is beautiful love that lasts.

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