



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

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Welcome to St. Mary's Parish!

No matter who you are or where you're from, we extend you a warm welcome and hope that you feel at home. For information on registration and to find out how you can get more involved with parish activities, please contact us at:

Phone: 519-576-3860

Email: stmarys@rogers.com

Website: www.stmarysrcchurch.ca

Our Parish Team

Fr. Toby Collins, C.R. – Pastor

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

Penny Laurette – Administrative Assistant

Robert Tasse – Music Director

Tony D'Amato Stortz – Outreach Coordinator

Amy Cyr – Chef, Kitchen Project Manager

Andrew Olinski – Caretaker

Nadine Greene – A Better Tent City Site Coordinator

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Parish Outreach

Are you interested in getting involved? Do you have ideas about how we might better serve our neighbours? If so, please contact Tony at tonys.stmarys@gmail.com.

St. Vincent de Paul

For assistance with groceries and other needs call 226-988-5915 weekdays, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. For information on volunteering, please email Don McClure at don@teambilton.com.

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday – Friday: 12:00 noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursdays: 11:30 – 11:50 am

Saturday: 4:00 – 4:30 pm
and by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday after Mass until 1:00 pm

Baptism and Marriage

Please email the parish office for details.

Visits to the Sick

Please contact the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion and Sacrament of the Sick.

Tiny Home Takeout

Everyone deserves a great meal, free of charge. Visit us Tuesday – Saturday from 5 – 6:30 pm and 'grab a bite, give if you can'! Visit tinychometakeout.com for more information.



MASS INTENTIONS
September 28 – October 3, 2021



Tuesday – St. Matthew

Ephesians 4.1-7, 11-13 Matthew 9.9-13

12:00 pm For the Intentions of the Staff of St. Mary's

Wednesday – ferial

Ezra 9.5-9 Luke 9.1-6

12:00 pm For All the Residents of A Better Tent City

Thursday – St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

Haggai 1.1-8 Luke 9.7-9

11:30 am Confession until 11:50 am

12:00 pm For All Volunteers of St. Mary's

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm

Friday – ferial

Haggai 2.1-9 Luke 9.18-22

12:00 pm For All Benefactors of St. Mary's

Saturday – ferial

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Numbers 11.25-29 James 5.1-6 Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48

5:00 pm †Sr. Anne Rektor, SSND, †Carol DeVilliers

Sunday

8:30 am For Our Parishioners

11:00 am For the Intentions of Ed Sikora

OFFERTORY – September 18/19, 2021

Sunday Envelopes & Loose	\$3,930.00
Building Fund	\$200.00
Debt Fund	\$65.00
Needs of the Canadian Church	\$210.00
Cura Pastorum	\$5.00
Mission Appeal	\$5.00

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

NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th



What is it?

In recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30th, St. Mary's has partnered with Anishnabeg Outreach, a local non-profit that "provides Indigenous people with access to culturally appropriate services and strives to support individuals with direction and assistance to overcome barriers." (Source: <https://aocan.org/about-us/>)

Through our partnership, St. Mary's is raising funds to directly support beading skills training for Indigenous people so they can become self-employed artisans. Our goal is to sponsor 10 Indigenous people in our community. To do this, we need to raise \$1,500. Every \$150 raised covers the cost of training and enablement of one Indigenous person to learn this culturally appropriate and profitable handicraft.

We hope and pray that this initiative born of the partnership between St. Mary's and Anishnabeg Outreach will be the first of many. We aspire to grow and deepen the relationship between us on a foundation of ongoing support and mutual respect.

In addition to our fundraising efforts, St. Mary's will make orange ribbons available to parishioners and visitors to our church. These ribbons are worn to demonstrate and help raise awareness of the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation and the history and current realities of colonization and its impacts on Indigenous people and their ancestors. An explanation of the use of the colour orange and the symbolism of the orange T-shirt is posted on our Facebook page.

How does it help?

We know that many of St. Mary's parishioners and extended community members are eager to find ways to make a positive impact on the lives of Indigenous people here in Block Two of the Haldimand Tract (Kitchener-Waterloo). By sponsoring culturally appropriate skills development for Indigenous people through our partner, Anishnabeg Outreach, those giving donations are investing directly in the livelihoods of those most in need.

Ribbon-based awareness campaigns have become a powerful way to raise awareness and show support for a variety of issues. We believe that wearing orange ribbons will help to raise awareness about the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation and the colonial history that necessitates this new Federal day of reflection. The ribbons are an outward symbol of an individual's awareness and support as well as an object to spark conversations with those who are unaware.

CONCERNED LAY CATHOLICS



Concerned Lay Catholics is an organization that has formed in light of the sexual abuse scandal that has damaged the credibility of the Catholic Church's witness. Their mission is to respond to the Canadian Catholic Bishops' call for healing,

reconciliation and transformation to revitalize the Church through new, more collaborative forms of ministry.

They do this by promoting healing and reconciliation for abuse survivors; empowering lay leadership and addressing clericalism; fostering transparency and accountability; engaging and collaborating with like-minded individuals and groups who share this vision. Please consider learning more about the good work they are doing.

Their website is: <https://concernedlaycatholics.ca>

Their newsletter can be found at:

<https://mailchi.mp/.../concerned-lay-catholics-notes-from...>

40 DAYS FOR LIFE



September 22nd – October 31st. Join us in prayer and witness for the weakest members of our Nation, the unborn. We will stand across from Freeport Hospital where abortions are performed, from 7 am to 7 pm

daily. To register for hours call 519-748-5548 or visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/kitchener> or email paddym@golden.net. Thank you for your prayers and support of the unborn.

KITCHENER PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

The eighth annual "Rosary Rally" is planned to take place at the Victoria Park Clock Tower (field next to it) on Saturday, October 16th from 2:00-3:00 pm. There are a few parking spots on David St. next to the field near the Tower. Unfortunately, there are no longer any parking spots on Joseph St. near the Tower.

Last year, on October 10th, there were 351 Rosary Rallies throughout Canada organized by "Canada Needs Our Lady". The target for this year is 600 Rosary Rallies throughout Canada.

For more information visit <https://canadaneedsourlady.org>

MASS INTENTIONS

To ensure that everyone's desire regarding Mass Intentions is satisfied, you are encouraged to make your requests known as soon as possible. All intentions are on a first come basis. The offering of Mass for special intentions such as wedding anniversaries, for healing, for comfort to those who are sick, for deceased members of family and friends, for personal intentions, in thanksgiving for favours received, for a special intention, etc., is an act of deep faith and a desire to unite oneself with Christ in the mystery of the Eucharist. **Families may request 1 Sunday Mass (8 or 11 am), and any number of Weekday Masses each calendar year.** Multiple Intentions are available on Saturday at 5 pm Mass. Please visit our website and see if your preferred date(s) is available. Thank you.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Pre-authorized giving is an option at our parish for your Sunday donations. If you have yet to consider this method of giving, we encourage you to reflect on whether pre-authorized giving is a good option for you. The parish benefits from this method of giving by receiving regular, dependable contributions, by a reduction of paperwork, and in the ability to more effectively plan parish programs and activities. You benefit from the convenience of having your offering automatically contributed to the parish on the 15th day of each month and continuing to support the parish even when you are away. Please look for the brochure and authorization form at all doors of the church or contact the parish office for more information.



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