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JUBILEE OF MERCY

December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016



Father George Nowak, CR - Pastor

Father Paul Szymanowski, CR - 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 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 **registered, regularly attending parishioners only**. 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 details regarding marriage, contact the parish office at least one 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, CR, 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: Monday's by 4:00 pm.

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

September 5 - 11, 2016
Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday - ferial (Labour Day)

1 Corinthians 5.1-8 Luke 6.6-11
12:10 pm †Alfons Hoegler

Tuesday - ferial

1 Corinthians 6.1-11 Luke 6.12-19
 7:30 am Morning Prayer
8:00 am ††Geraldine & Elmer Johnston

Wednesday - ferial

1 Corinthians 7.1, 17, 25-31++ Luke 6.20-26
 7:30 am Morning Prayer
8:00 am †Dan Vernon

Thursday - The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Romans 8.28-30 Matthew 1.1-16, 18-23
 11:00 am Eucharistic Adoration
 11:50 am Chaplet of Divine Mercy
12:10 pm For the Superior General of the Congregation of the Resurrection

Friday - St. Peter Claver

1 Corinthians 9.16-19, 22b-27 Luke 6.39-42
 7:30 am Morning Prayer
8:00 am For the Culture of Life

Saturday - Our Lady's Saturday

1 Corinthians 10.14-22a Luke 6.43-49
8:00 am ††Ed and Jo Boudreau
 4:00 pm Confessions

TWENTY - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Exodus 32.7-11, 13-14 1 Timothy 1.12-17 Luke 15.1-32

5:00 pm †James Kay Sr., †Terence Bacon, ††Aurea & Harold Cahill

Sunday

8:00 am Our Parishioners
9:15 am †Jacob Schneider, †Anni Schaffner, †Magdalena Welsch, †Adolf Kump
11:00 am †Jim Demeis

WEDDING BANNS



There is a promise of marriage between Marc Steven Melo and Liliana Isabel Pereira. The wedding will take place at St. Mary's Church on September 17, 2016. May God bless you both.

Letting go of our attachment to the things of this world leaves room in our lives for God. Can you let go? If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit vocationculture.ca for more information.



Divine Mercy Meditation
The Essence of Your Lordship

Meditation: On Friday, after Holy Communion, I was carried in spirit before the throne of God. There I saw the heavenly Powers which incessantly praise God. Beyond the throne I saw a brightness inaccessible to creatures, and there only the Incarnate Word enters as Mediator.

When Jesus entered this light, I heard these words, **Write down at once what you hear: I am the Lord in My essence and am immune to orders or needs. If I call creatures into being – that is the abyss of My mercy.** And at that very moment I found myself, as before, in our chapel at my kneeler, just as Mass had ended. I already had these words written (*Diary, 85*).

My Prayer Response: Thank You, Lord Jesus, for teaching St. Faustina about the essence of Your Lordship and the abyss of Your mercy in creating us. May these mysteries at the Throne of God evoke my praise and worship.

(*Divine Mercy Minutes with Jesus by Rev. George W. Kosicki, CSB*)

COMING UP AT ST. MARY'S

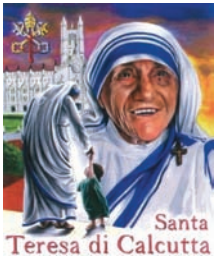
September:

- 3/4: All Masses Monthly Building & Maintenance Collection
- 5: Parish Office Closed for Labour Day
- 6: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group
- 7: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
- 8: 1:00 pm German Men's & Ladies Group
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- 11: 12:00 pm CWL General Meeting
- 13: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group
- 14: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
- 15: 3:00 pm Feast Day Devotions Begin
- 17/18: All Masses Monthly St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- 18: 10:15 am German Congregation Social
- 20: 11:00 am St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
8:00 pm Living Sober Group
- 21: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
- 22: 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal
- 24: All Masses Needs of the Canadian Church Collection
- 26: 5:30 pm CWL Executive Meeting
- 27: 8:00 pm Living Sober Group
- 28: 7:00 pm Marienchor Rehearsal
- 29 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

LABOUR DAY

Monday, September 5th. On this day, we ask you to recognize and pray for the value of labourers, to defend the dignity of all working people, to be responsible in your own work and to celebrate the irreplaceable roll that human work has in God's plan for creation. Please note: the parish office will be closed for this day.

CANONIZATION OF BLESSED MOTHER TERESA



Sunday, September 4th. During this Holy Year of Mercy we celebrate the canonization of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, the Saint of the Poor whom Pope John Paul II wanted to beatify immediately in recognition of her virtues. Frail but equally determined in her vocation, Mother Teresa loved God

and the Church with great strength, simplicity and extraordinary humility, glorifying with her life the dignity of a most humble service. She was born in Skopje in Macedonia on August 26, 1910. At the age of 18, right after taking her religious vows, she felt called to serve the poorest of the poor in Calcutta. In 1950 she founded the Congregation of the Missionaries of Charity, wearing a white, blue-bordered sari which from then onwards she would come to be universally recognized. She assisted the poor, the sick, and the abandoned with tireless dedication, offering smiles and simple gestures, finding strength to persevere with her vocation through prayer and trust in God. She often said: "What the poor need most is to feel needed, to feel loved. There are remedies and treatments for all kinds of illnesses, but when someone is undesirable, if there are no serving hands and loving hearts, then there is no hope for a true cure." Her fragile body was worn down from illness in her later years and she died on September 5, 1997. Her message of love continues to inspire thousands of missionary sisters around the world.

CHURCH FOUNDATION REPAIR

During the next few weeks we will begin having the church and rectory building foundations repaired. The weeping tiles and foundation walls have greatly deteriorated over the years and are the cause of water seepage in the basements of both buildings. For approximately a month, there will be areas around the buildings that will be blocked off, so some doors may be inaccessible. Please be careful going past and around these areas. The cost of this project is about \$200,000. The Diocese of Hamilton is gifting us with \$50,000 toward the repair and giving us a 5 year, no interest loan for the balance. If you have any questions about this project, please contact the parish office.

OFFERTORY: July, 2016

Sunday Donations \$19,916	Avg: \$3,983.20
Loose Donations \$2,255.	Avg: \$ 451.01
Multicultural Festival Donations	\$ 130.00
Building Fund Donations	\$1,649.70
Mission Co-op Donations	\$ 859.00

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Our program will begin next **Sunday, September 11th at the 11 am Mass.** All interested children, aged 4 - 8 years are welcome to join us in the Lower Hall for our weekly Liturgy readings and activities. Volunteers are always appreciated! For more information, contact the parish office.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING



Sunday, September 11th – Join us for our "Welcome Back" meeting in the Lower Hall after 11 am Mass – lunch – soup, and beverages provided, along with our pot luck desserts; so please bring your favourite sweet and your beautiful smiles! There will be a Liturgy celebrating Mary Mother of God. All ladies are welcome for this unique time of fellowship and refreshment – see you there!

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS



Thursday, September 15th – Join us as we celebrate our Feast Day! Devotions begin at 3 pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Confessions will be heard from 4 - 6 pm. At 5 pm, Ania Krysciak will speak about "The Church: The Mystical Body of Christ", followed by Benediction and the Seven Sorrows Rosary. We conclude the day with Mass at 7:15 pm followed by a time of fellowship and light refreshments in the Lower Hall. The Mass and all devotions this day will be offered for persecuted Christians. Fr. George asks everyone to also offer their time, prayers, penances and sacrifices to Our Lady of Sorrows for this cause. The Gift Shop will be relocated to the Lower Hall for the day, so be sure and stop by. Please refer to the poster on the bulletin boards for a complete list of details. Everyone is welcome!

PRAYER SHAWLS



Please remember: Prayer shawls, for those experiencing difficulties and joyous events are FREE and available at the parish office. Donations to defray the cost of yarn are greatly appreciated. Our first meeting of the season will be on **Thursday, November 3rd at 1 pm.**

OFFERTORY: August, 2016

Sunday Donations \$15,970.10	Avg: \$3,992.53
Loose Donations \$1,735.60	Avg: \$ 433.90
Building Fund Donations	\$1,770.90
Debt Fund Donations	\$3,846.80

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