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WEEKDAY MASSES

Sauble Beach: 1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month 7:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am-12 noon; 1:00 pm-5:00 pm **CONFESSIONS** 30 minutes before all weekday and the Lord's Day Masses. **NEW PARISHIONERS** Welcome to your new parish! You will find registration forms in the pews. Fill one out and drop it in the collection basket.

Tuesday, Thursday 7:00 pm

1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month 7:00 pm

2nd, 4th Wed. of the month 7:00 pm



St. Mary of the Rosary, Hepworth Sunday 9:00 am (Nov-Mar)



Holy Family, Sauble Beach Saturday 5:00 pm (July-Aug) Sunday 9:00 am (Apr-Oct)



St. Stanislaus, Chatsworth



St. Thomas Aquinas, Wiarton Sunday 11:00 am



Sunday 9:00 am





Owen Sound Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



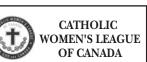
St. Vincent, Meaford Sunday 11:00 am



St. Thomas The Apostle, Tobermory Saturday 11:30 am



St. Mark, Lions Head Saturday 9:30 am



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Meetings 1st Wed. of the month



770 6th St. East - 519-372-0537 Meetings:

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St. Mary's, Cape Croker Sunday 1:00 pm

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 2020



August 24 - 30

Mon 9:00 am - Peter Gurrin +

Private Masses: Private Intention; In Thanksgiving

Tue 9:00 am - Roger Mueller +

Private Mass - Anne Elliott +

7:00 pm - Bob & Mary Ann Kirkconnell (Int)

Wed 9:00 am - Marnie Bunt +

Private Mass: Reparation to the Eternal Father

7:00 pm – SB – Deceased Holy Family members

Thu 9:00 am - Chloe Willis (Int)

Private Mass: Joseph Szewczyk +

7:00 pm – Fr. Ray Jackson +

Fri 9:00 am – Souls in Purgatory

Private Masses: Physical & Mental Health of

Staff & Residents at Central Place: John Gelata (Int)

Saturday – August 29

5:00 pm -SteveScott + Private Mass: Anne Elliott +

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 30

9:00 am Owen Sound- Terry Hoad-Reddick +

Chatsworth – Albert & Rosemary Sandink

(50th Wedding Anniversary)

Sauble Beach-Alex & Dorothy Erdman +

11:00 am Owen Sound - Maria Augusta +

Meaford - Pro Populo

Wiarton - Earl & Marian Hoffman +

1:00 pm Cape Croker - Mass

From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar This week we pray for:

Mon Fr. Mussie Keflezghi
Tue Fr. Jerzy Tomon
Wed Catholic Teachers
Thu Fr. Issac Tharayil
Fri Fr. Nishil Varghese
Sat Fr. Ilija Petkovic

* Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick: Available upon request

From the Pastor's Desk:

"God has shown you what is good, and what the Lord requires of you: To do justice, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God" Micah 6:8

As we are getting close to the start of another school year, I offer this reflection for our educators. First, let's look at how the Scriptures differentiate between true prophets and false prophets: **Prophet** – from the Greek meaning one who speaks on behalf of another. It is a call to speak the truth – from God who is the source of all TRUTH. **False prophets**

- speak their own message on behalf of God (Making

people comfortable, sacrificing the truth to gain acceptance). The reality of TRUTH is that it tends to sting at times. "The educator is a witness of truth and of goodness" Pope Benedict XVI. As baptized Christians we are called to be prophets, to take responsibility for the TRUTH. That responsibility is even greater for Catholic Teachers. God helps us to know how we can live our vocation through the words of the prophet Micah:

"To walk" – we are on a journey of faith. That faith cannot be static. We must grow, by continually learning, changing, growing. "Love God with all your mind, heart, soul and strength".

"To walk humbly" – humility is a virtue that we all need to be grounded in TRUTH. The more authority we carry in this world, the more difficult it is for us to remain humble. The virtue of humility reminds us who we are. It helps us not to take ourselves too seriously, never thinking that we are greater or lesser than we really are. True humility frees a person from the need to be someone else. It helps us to accept ourselves, to love ourselves (not with a selfish love, but with a grateful love). It brings peace.

"To walk humbly with our God" – our journey of life is useless unless we are walking with God. This is because only God can lead us home to Heaven. And if we are walking alone, then we will never reach Heaven: "What does it profit a man if He gains the whole world but in the process loses His soul?"

Let's support our Catholic educators in being faithful to God and faithfully in their own lives, and thus bring our youth to Jesus.

Fr. Wojtek Kuzma

*In the Parish *

Safety Measures for Returning to Church: Given the number of restrictions still in place, Bishop Crosby has extended his dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for those who may feel uncomfortable to attend at this point. Please make your own decision in this regard. Anyone who is feeling sick or who has travelled outside the country in the last 14 days is asked not to come to church. Our weekend Masses will be offered in Owen Sound, Meaford, Chatsworth, Sauble Beach and Wiarton. After consulting with parishioners I have decided not to open Tobermory, and Lions Head missions at this time. If you live in those regions and would like to attend Sunday Mass, please consider going to either Wiarton or Owen Sound for now.

We will be following the safety protocol while at church, as has been outlined in Bishop Crosby's letter to parishioners. Here are a few highlights in summary form:

- When you arrive at the church doors you will be greeted by one of our ushers who will nvite you to sanitize your hands
- 2. You'll be asked to sit in such a way as to respect the social distancing rule of 2 meters. Members of the same household do

not have to follow that rule and can sit together. Wearing safety masks is encouraged, and we will have some available for those who need them.

- 3. All printed materials have been removed from the pews: hymnals, Sunday missals, etc. Music will be provided by an instrumentalist.
- 4. There will be no lectors or extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion during this time. The priest will be the only one in the sanctuary.
- 5. When coming up for Holy Communion, social distancing of 2 meters will be observed. One side of the church will come up for Communion, in a single row, and then the other side.
- Before reaching the priest the mask will be lowered, and Communion is to be offered without any exchange of words between the priest and the communicant.
- Collection is to be placed in the baskets on the way out of church, and there should be no socializing with one another before or after Mass.
- 8. Printed bulletins will not be available, instead parishioners will be able to view the bulletin on our website.
- Confession will not be offered before or after Mass, but we continue to offer Confession by appointment in a drive-thru format.

I hope that all these steps undertaken by our churches will provide extra protection for our parishioners and their loved ones. Please follow these as best as you can. I hope to see you soon as we return to a somewhat normal church practice.

In Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Wojciech Kuzma

Please Note: Reaching the parish by email – the email address has changed from smm@bmts.com to stmaryowensound@hamiltondiocese.com

* In the Diocese *

Pray the Rosary with Cardinal Collins - The last Saturday of every month, Serra International hosts a virtual global Rosary for vocations. In this way, Serrans from all over the world come together to prayerfully support our mission. You can join too. This month's rosary will be led by Serra International Episcopal Adviser Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, on Saturday, August 29, at 9:00 am. To join our rosary simply call: 1-647-497-9380 Access Code 314-315-981; from your computer, tablet or smartphone: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/314315981 Don't miss this opportunity to pray with Serra International's wonderful and dedicated Episcopal Adviser, Cardinal Collins.

Blessings in the Midst of Trial: The COVID-19 pandemic kept our parishes closed for three months, but it

hasn't kept the good work of the Church from taking place. The Stewardship and Development Office asked for a few examples from our pastors and parish leaders, and the response was so great that we want to share as many as we can with you. A few are listed here, and we'll have more in the weeks to come!

Basilica of Our Lady, Guelph - Throughout the pandemic, even in the midst of the most severe lockdowns, women from the parish's Catholic Women's League maintained an important ministry. Each week, the ladies prepare meals for the local Drop-In Centre, which has seen an increase in need during the pandemic. This ministry did not stop for even one week. The ladies were creative in coming up with ways to socially distance and observe all precautions while ensuring that those in need are fed. Meanwhile, a group from the Basilica and other Guelph parishes has begun praying the rosary at the statue of Our Lady near the entrance of the Macdonnell Street stairs to the Basilica. The rosary is offered for the intentions of the entire community, asking Our Lady to bless and protect the parishes, city and country during these difficult times.



St. Augustine's, Dundas - The youth ministry at St. Augustine's in Dundas didn't shut down during the pandemic. It invited the parish to "**Do Something Good**" in the community. "**Do Good**" is one of the parish's youth ministry mottos and supports its "Youth with Purpose" and "Youth in Action" movements. One of those projects was to create and send "Joy Cards" to the residents and staff at St. Joseph's Villa in Dundas. The project helps residents deal with the challenges of isolation and physical distancing and shows appreciation for the front-line health care workers.

"These cards have brought a smile to residents and staff – they have been so appreciative and grateful that we thought about them," it says on the parish's website.

For more stories from the parishes in our Diocese go to: https://hamiltondiocese.com/news

| Donations received from August 15 / 16, 2020 | |
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| Owen Sound | \$ 4,178 |
| Meaford | 5,996 |
| Sauble Beach | 477 |
| Wiarton | 557 |
| Chatsworth | 499 |
| Hepworth | 173 |
| Tobermory | 162 |
| Lion's Head | 594 |
| Latin Mass | <u>310</u> |
| | \$ 12,946 |

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