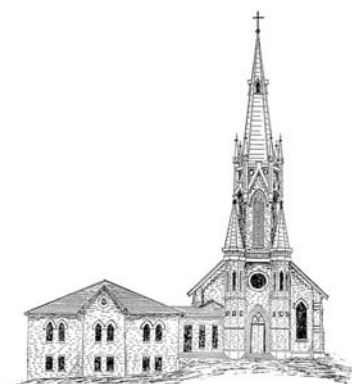


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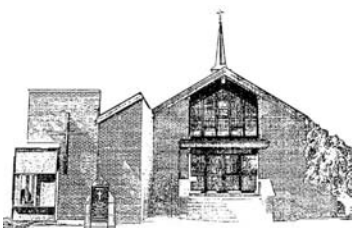
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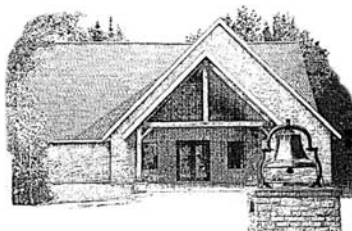
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**St. Mary of the Assumption  
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Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



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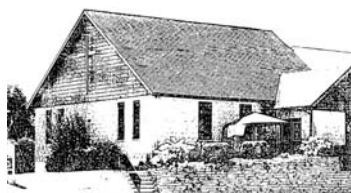
**St. Mary of the Rosary, Hepworth**  
Sunday 9:00 am (Nov-Mar)



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



**St. Stanislaus, Chatsworth**  
Sunday 9:00 am



**St. Thomas Aquinas, Wiarton**  
Sunday 11:00 am

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Owen Sound: Monday-Friday ..... 9:00 am

Tuesday, Thursday ..... 7:00 pm

Sauble Beach: 1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month ..... 7:00 pm  
(Apr-Oct)

Hepworth: 1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month ..... 7:00 pm  
(Nov-Mar)

Meaford: 2nd, 4th 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.



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# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 2, 2020



August 3 - 9

Mon 9:00 am – Terry Bradt +

Private Mass: Colleen McKenna (Int)

Tue 9:00 am – Aaron Payne (Int)

7:00 pm – Lou Hannum (Int)

Wed 9:00 am – Sharon McLaren +

7:00 pm – **SB** – Richard & Mary Ellen McBride  
(50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

Thu 9:00 am – Yuri Romanowich (Int)

7:00 pm – Our Blessed Mother's Intentions

Fri 9:00 am – Holly Payne (Int)

Private Mass: Jonathon (Int)

### Saturday – August 8

5:00 pm – Victor Szakall +

Private Mass: Jeffrey Parsons +

### 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 9

9:00 am **Owen Sound** – Alexander Romanowich (Int)

**Chatsworth** – Jade Hannum +

**Sauble Beach** – James Sutherland +;  
Arthur & Edna Hargrave +

11:00 am **Owen Sound** – Pro Populo

**Meaford** – Aldo Cicero +

**Warton** – Danuta & Piotr Suwala +

1:00 pm **Cape Croker** – Mass

### From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

#### This week we pray for:

Mon Fr. Stephen Murrin

Tue Fr. Timothy Higgins

Wed Society of Christ

Thu The Transfiguration of the Lord

Fri Fr. Brendan McGrath

Sat Fr. Romelito Guillen

#### \* Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick:

Available upon request

### *From the Pastor's Desk:*

I had an interesting conversation with one local tradesman about the state of affairs in the world today. He said to me that even though he is not religious, he is convinced that what people are missing in their lives is religion. I was intrigued by his assessment of current events, and wanting to know more about his hypothesis I asked a number of questions. His observation of our Catholic Church and the community of people who come here led him to this conclusion. He told me: "People today are missing community, and they are missing purpose. As a result of these elements missing in their lives, they grow increasingly lonely and tend to move in directions of extreme social activism without much moral

guidance apart from their own intuitions and ideas". I thought this was a fascinating observation, and it occupied my mind long after our conversation was over. I think he is correct that civil unrest we are seeing in the world today is partly due to the rejection of religion. The trouble with rejection of religion is that it is not really a rejection but a replacement. By our very nature we are religious beings. We know this from our studies of the history of civilization. As far back as we can go in human history we always see religion as an essential part of the human experience. Humans have always looked up at heavens, so to speak, in search of a deeper meaning, a moral compass, and a truth that is not of their own making. Rejection of religion is a relatively new phenomenon in the history of humanity, and for a good reason. It is new because it is not natural, and inevitably leads to a replacement of religion with a man-made religion of sorts. It seldom leads to a proper rejection without any replacement. As we look at all the unrest in the world today, most of which seeks justification in the injustice that exists in our communities, we must ask a fundamental question of intent: "What is my role in all of this and how do I go about making positive change?" For those who have religion as their foundation the answer is provided: humility and love, which starts with myself, is the answer. In other words, unless I'm able to approach the challenges of the present world with a peaceful and loving attitude, I am in no position to bring about real change. In the absence of religious wisdom, people make their own attempts at bringing about change, and often without much attention paid to their own internal dispositions. Without humility and love change is not possible, because its efforts are fuelled by anger, judgement, and violence towards others. Our religion protects us from ourselves, and it protects others from the worst version of ourselves. This is why we need religion, we need God, and we need the community of believers in our lives. When religion is lived and practiced in our culture it can lead people around us to ask these important questions, and maybe even lead them to desire religion in their lives.

*Fr. Kuzma*

#### *\*In the Parish \**

#### **Safety Measures for Returning to Church:**

As of Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, we have begun to offer public Masses once again in our churches. 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, and Warton. After consulting

with parishioners I have decided not to open Tobermory, Lions Head, and Sauble 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:

1. When you arrive at the church doors you will be greeted by one of our ushers who will open the door for you and invite 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.
3. Wearing safety masks is encouraged, and we will have some available for those who need them.
4. All printed materials will be removed from the pews: hymnals, Sunday missals, etc. Music will be provided by an instrumentalist and a cantor. Choirs are not permitted.
5. There will be no lectors or extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion during this time. The priest will be the only one in the sanctuary.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. Printed bulletins will not be available, instead parishioners will be able to view the bulletin on our website.
10. 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 Kazma*

**Please Note:** Reaching the parish by email – the email address has changed from [smm@bmts.com](mailto:smm@bmts.com) to [stmaryowensound@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stmaryowensound@hamiltondiocese.com)



## Happy Birthday Margaret!

Margaret Dobie celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday on June 25<sup>th</sup>. She is seen here with the Papal blessing she was thrilled to receive, at Central Place, where she now resides. Margaret is a long standing member of St. Mary's Church; active in many ministries, attending Mass faithfully each Sunday until

very recently. We join with her family and friends in wishing Margaret many blessings!

### *\*In the Community\**

**Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre** Baby Bottle Campaign  
Just a note to thank you for your participation in our Virtual Baby Bottle Campaign 2020! Of course, it was different in many ways this year, but we still managed to raise \$18,827! Your church contributed \$1,805 of this amount. We are so thankful that during tough times like these you, as a church, stand with us and help us to minister to our moms and families in the Grey Bruce area. We thank God for your generosity and His faithfulness! Janice LeBreton, *Administrative Assistant, Grey Bruce Pregnancy Centre*

### *\* In the Diocese \**

**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!

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

#### Donations received from July 25 / 26, 2020

Owen Sound	\$ 3,640
Meaford	1,236
Sauble Beach	1,050
Wiaraton	3,325
Chatsworth	1,314
Hepworth	173
Tobermory	162
Lion's Head	134
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