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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, TobermorySaturday 11:30 am



St. Mark, Lions Head Saturday 9:30 am



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Meetings 1st Wed. of the month

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WEEKDAY MASSES

| Owen Sound: | Monday-Friday | |
|---------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| | 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 |
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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.



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

Meetings: Every 2nd Monday – 7:30 pm;

Mass: 7:00 pm

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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



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

Fourth Sunday of Advent December 22, 2019





December 23 - 29

Mon 9:00 am - Harry Kazarian, Jr. +

Christmas Eve

Lion's Head 3:00 pm - Mass

Wiarton 5:00 pm - Lloyd Loney +

Meaford 5:00 pm - John & Kathleen Patay + Owen Sound 6:00 pm - Art & Maureen Diaz (Int)

Owen Sound 9:00 pm – Pro Populo

Christmas Day

Chatsworth 9:00 am - Frank Beirnes + Hepworth 9:00 am - Theresa Dwyer + 9:00 am - Frank Szakall + Owen Sound 11:00 am - Crawford Wismer + Owen Sound Cape Croker 11:00 am - In Thanksgiving

Thu 9:00 am - Special Intention

7:00 pm - Joanne Solomon +, John Matheson +

Fri 9:00 am – Jim & Diane Sweeney (Int)

10:30 am - Central Place - for the Residents & Staff

Saturday - December 28

9:30 am Lion's Head - Mass

11:30 am Tobermory - Fr. Wojtek Kuzma (Int)

5:00 pm Owen Sound – Tom Payton (Int)

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph-December 29

9:00 am Chatsworth - Lawrence Otis+

9:00 am Hepworth - Roger Mueller +

9:00 am OS - Allen Hilgendorf +

11:00 am OS – Special Intention

11:00 am Wiarton - Earl & Marian Hoffman +

11:00 am Meaford - Nell & John Sneek +

1:00 pm Cape Croker - Pro Populo

From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

This week we pray for:

Mon Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma

Tue Fr. James McSharry

Wed Christmas Day (the Nativity of the Lord)

Thu Fr. Martin Mikulski Fri Fr. Joseph Okoko Sat Fr. Franjo Sprajc

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

* Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Friday from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm

What's Happening December 23 - 29

| Tuesday – Seniors' Cards | 1:00 pm |
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| Friday – Divine Mercy Devotion | 3:00 pm |
| Saturday- Ultreay | 9:00 am |

From the Pastor's Desk:

Christmas Wishes! What should I wish you for Christmas? There are so many needs in the world, in our

families, in our own lives. How can I possibly wish our world, our families, and you my dear friends, everything that you need, everything that we need. The world needs peace, love, food, safety, security, sustainability, and so much more. How do I choose what to wish our world? Our families need stability, unity, forgiveness, patience, shelter, understanding, and so much more. How do I choose what to wish our families? Our people need belonging, meaning, acceptance, friendships, and so much more. How do I choose what to wish our people?

Lest we forget the past at the peril of the present, we should notice that during the time Jesus lived on earth there were also many needs in the world, in the families, and in people's personal lives. In all the ways the world back then was different from our own, it was still very much like our own world. The needs still existed, and they were very similar to the needs that exist today. The world, families, and individuals back then as now were searching for the gifts of peace, love, food, safety, stability, forgiveness, and so much more. God's response to all the needs was simple: He gave us His Son. In other words, God gave us the gift of Himself as a response of all our needs. One simple gift, the gift of Jesus, as a response to all need.

So, what I want to offer to the world, to our families, and to each person for Christmas is the gift of Jesus, who is the answer to all of our human needs. Jesus is the true gift, because only He can fully satisfy our needs. As we offer many earthly gifts to each other during this Christmas Season, food for the hungry, toys for children, kind words to the distraught, etc. it is most important that we don't forget to offer the greatest gift as well, the gift of Jesus Christ. Keep Christ in Christmas, wish God's blessings on those you meet, and share the message of God's love with those you meet. Invite someone to Church with you, offer to pray for someone, tell your children the story of Jesus' birth. May Jesus be at the top of your gift list to one another. That's my Christmas Wish to one and all!

Fr. Kuzma

2019

Christmas Schedule

Christmas

| Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24 th | | | |
|---|----------|--|--|
| Lion's Head (Fr. James) | 3:00 pm | | |
| Wiarton (Fr. James) | .5:00 pm | | |
| Meaford (Fr. Francis) | 5:00 pm | | |
| Owen Sound (Fr. Wojtek)(Children) | 6:00 pm | | |
| Owen Sound (Fr. Wojtek) | 9:00 pm | | |

Christmas Day, Wednesday, December 25th

| Owen Sound (Fr. Wojtek) | 9:00 & 11:00 am |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Hepworth (Fr. James) | 9:00 am |
| Chatsworth (Fr. Tom) | 9:00 am |
| Cape Croker (Fr. Francis) | 11:00 am |

Mary, Mother of God, New Year

| Tobermory (Fr. Wojtek) | 3:00 pm |
|------------------------|---------|
| Wiarton (Fr. Wojtek) | 5:00 pm |

Mary, Mother of God, New Year - cont'd Meaford (Fr. James) 5:00 pm Owen Sound (Fr. Francis) 5:00 pm Wednesday, January 1st Owen Sound (Fr. Tom) 9:00 & 11:00 am Hepworth (Fr. Wojtek) 9:00 am Chatsworth (Fr. Francis) 9:00 am

Cape Croker (Fr. James) 11:00 am

* In the Parish *

2020 Offering Envelopes are now available for pickup. Please take a minute to print your name, and the envelope number you took, on the clipboard that is with the envelopes. Numbers are not assigned to anyone in particular; simply write your name and address (how you would like it to appear on your year-end tax receipt) on the first 5 or 6 envelopes that you use.

Christmas Office Hours: Please note the office will be closed at noon on Friday. December 20th and all through the Christmas Octave, reopening on Thursday, January 2nd. Christmas blessings to all!

CWL Membership Fees are due now for 2019. The cost is \$25. Please use the blue envelope from your box of envelopes. Be sure to put your name, address and phone number on the envelope and place it in the collection basket. Thank you.

Knitters - the Knitting group will change from Thursdays to Wednesdays. Beginning January 8th, after Prayers & Squares (weather permitting), knitters will meet in St. Mary's Church hall from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.



It's that time of year again - Please be kind to those



who clean the floors of our churches. It would be most helpful if you would stamp the snow AND the salt off your boots before entering the church. Thank you.

* In the Diocese *

Midnight Mass at the Cathedral Basilica - His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Wednesday, December 25th at 12:00 a.m. The celebration will be live streamed and telecast on Salt + Light and CHTV. The broadcast will begin on Christmas Eve at 11:30 p.m. with Carols from the Cathedral. All are welcome to attend or to watch via live stream or television.

CCYMN Hope Comes Home Conference - The Canadian Youth Ministry Conference is being hosted Friday, February 21st to Sunday, February 23rd, 2020 in Hamilton. Through keynote addresses, workshops and prayerful collaboration with one another, we look forward to unpacking the fruits of the Synod, and finding ways of applying the Apostolic Exhortation- Christus Vivit to day-to-

day ministerial and Parish life. We invite anyone working alongside young people to join us, including priests, religious, youth ministers, youth ministry volunteers, teachers, chaplaincy leaders and teams, and individuals working for catholic service agencies. There are bursaries available for those wishing to attend but may not be able to due to financial constraint. For more information about the conference, to register, or apply for a bursary please visit www.hopecomeshome.com. If you have any questions please contact Nicole McCowell, Interim Director of Youth Ministry, at nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext.2245.

Healing After an Abortion: It Is Possible - Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. At Project Rachel we offer a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members



who are in need of our prayers: for Melissa Shular, Eileen Fortney, Len Keffer, Doreen Raco, Helen Meyer, Caroline Fitzpatrick, Scott Fitzpatrick, Steven Scott, Shelley Curley, Ron McCoy, Patricia McMillan, Karl Fortney, Shannon Daultrey, Marjorie Forcier, Arthur Diaz, Sherri Maine, Paul Bagget, Doug Woolway, Coleen Warmington, baby Sutton and baby Kellen, Rosaleen Engel, Marilyn Schinbein, Becki Knisley, Joanne LaFlamme Talbot, June Peet, Mike Adams, Sharon Cantlon, Tom McDonnell, Maureen McTeague, Vern Finlayson, Fred Fries, Josh Cahoon, and Sean McTeague, - We pray to the Lord. If you or a loved one are in need of prayer, please call the office. Each year - beginning in September - we will begin our prayer list anew.

Donations for December 7 / 8, 2019

| Owen Sound | 4,808 |
|--------------|-------------|
| Meaford | 683 |
| Hepworth | 608 |
| Chatsworth | 460 |
| Wiarton | 378 |
| Lion's Head | 291 |
| Sauble Beach | 234 |
| Tobermory | <u> 146</u> |
| - | \$ 7,608 |

Weekly cost to run St. Mary's & the Missions \$11.130

God bless you for your generosity

2020 envelopes are now available; feel free to take a box. Remember to print your name and address on the first 2 or 3 envelopes you use in the new year, as we do not assign numbers.

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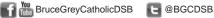
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