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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



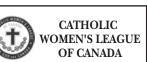
St. Vincent, Meaford Sunday 11:00 am



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



St. Mark, Lions Head Saturday 9:30 am



President Maggie Lutz 519-376-9557

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Meetings 1st Wed. of the month



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

Every 2nd Monday – 7:30 pm; Mass: 7:00 pm GRAND KNIGHT Dave Whelan - 519-377-5169 email: daveandsuewhelan@yahoo.ca

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 20, 2020



September 21 - 27

Mon **9:00 am** – Ute Hirschbiegel-Doerenkamp + Private Masses: Kathleen R. Burke +;

Salvation of Souls in our households

Tue 9:00 am – Anne Campbell +
Private Mass – Richard Dunning +
7:00 pm – Giuseppe Apostoli +

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Wed 9:00 am-John Lewis +

Private Mass: Christina Tuns (Int)

7:00 pm – SB – Martha Radbourne (Int)

Thu 9:00 am – Laura Payne (Int)
Private Mass: In Thanksgiving
7:00 pm – John Lewis +

Fri 9:00 am – Souls in Purgatory Private Masses: Brian Costin (Int);

Physical & Mental Health of Staff & Residents at

Central Place

Saturday - Septmber 26

5:00 pm – **Owen Sound** – Arjoon Singh (Int) Private Masses: Special Intention; Karl Fortney +

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 27 9:00 am Owen Sound – Al & Pat Gordanier (Int) Chatsworth – Peggy Anne Moore + Sauble Beach – Julius & Catharina van Aalst +

11:00 am Owen Sound – Pro Populo

Meaford – Cooper Anderson +

Wiarton – Earl & Marian Hoffman +

1:00 pm Cape Croker - Mass

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

Mon Fr. Francis Hubilla

Tue Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma
Wed Diaconate Formation Candidates

Thu Fr. James McSharry
Fri Fr. Joseph Okoko
Sat Fr. Christopher Tracey

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

From the Pastor's Desk:

There was a time in my life, perhaps it is with me still now, when I just wanted to run away and join a monastic community. I don't really know if this is because I want to run away from the difficulties of life or because I really like monasticism. I wonder if other people have this experience as well, when they just wish they did something else, lived somewhere else, were someone else. My guess is that we all have these experiences from time to time. I've been

reading about monastic spirituality recently, and I discovered that one who becomes a monk does so not to escape the world but to engage the world more intimately. This is very important, because it helps us to know that whatever we do and however we are called to live we must do so not as an escape but as a new way of encountering. I find that even though I am not a monk, and probably never will be, I can still learn and implement the spirit of monasticism into my life as a secular priest. Let's look at the monastic practice of silence for example. Whenever monastics speak of silence they normally point to the heart. Silence starts with the heart that is at peace and properly recollected. It is a heart that finds God in every activity, and does not allow the mind to wander between too many activities. One thing at a time, and each thing for God: this is an expression of a recollected heart, and this recollected heart leads to the spirit of silence: "Be still and know that I am God" (Ps46:10). Another aspect of monasticism that I find very attractive is the rhythm of their day, which moves constantly between two activities: prayer and work (ora et labora). Whenever I visited Trappist Monks I would join them for their common prayer in the chapel 7 times a day, starting at 2:30am and ending at 8pm. Every 3 hours or so they would stop their work and pray. By doing this they were never far from God, as their prayer even spilled over to their daily work. By implementing some form of a constant rhythm of prayer and work I can live the spirituality of monasticism in my everyday life. I suppose that what I'm trying to say is this: "It is not helpful to live our life wishing for a different life. Instead, we must constantly invite the gift of God's spirit to sanctify and improve the life we have". I hope that whatever your dream life is it will not rob you of the only one you have. Treat it well, for it is the only life that is real for you.

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, at this time.

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
- 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.
- 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.
- 6. Before reaching the priest the mask will be lowered, and Communion is to be offered, in the hand only, without any exchange of words between the priest and the communicant.
- 7. 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.
- 9. 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

Holy Honey – Fr. Wojtek, with help from friends, has harvested honey from his hive at here at St. Mary's. Make a \$20 donation to the building fund and receive a jar of this liquid gold as a thank you. Available at the parish office, during office hours.

Cemetery Mass - An outdoor mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cemetery in Hepworth on **Saturday, September 26**th at **10:30 am**. All are welcome especially those who have friends and relatives interred in that cemetery. It is a rain or shine event therefore you are asked to bring along a lawn chair, umbrella and PPE. There will be ample room to social distance and ensure a safe environment for the celebration of mass.

Life Chain - A prayerful Vigil. Sunday, October 4th, 2:00

- 3:00 pm. At the Post office corners
- 9th Street & 3rd Ave. East, Owen Sound. Stand for those who have no voice.



* In the Diocese *

Catechetical Correspondence Course:

Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the

Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.

Marriage Tip of the Month: Couple relationships often experience strain during times of stress and the last several months have provided some of the highest stress many couples have faced. It is important to step back and recognize why tensions might be running high and then engage in actions that can release the pent up stress. Try cooking together, walking, biking or hiking together, praying together, or any activity that will bring laughter to the day. It may even mean finding ways to have some time apart, whether that be one person being outside while the other is in, or one person being on one floor of the house, while the other is on another. Time together is wonderful, but too much can be distressing! Remember that you are in this together and together you can find ways to feel connected and beat any feelings of stress. Family Ministry Office, Hamilton Diocese

Experiencing Stress in Your Marriage? Thinking about Separation or Divorce? –Retrouvaille is designed to help marriages regain their health. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Oct. 23, 2020. Please call 905-664-5212 or email: Teamrecine@gmail.com or visit the website at www.retrouvaille.org.

Struggling After an Abortion? Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for — Maynard Dietrich and Bradley Bishop, We pray to the Lord. We are rebuilding our prayer list. If you or a loved one are in need of prayer, please call the office. Each September, we will begin our list anew.

Donations received from September 12 / 13, 2020	
Owen Sound	\$ 4,728
Sauble Beach	646
Meaford	1,091
Wiarton	670
Chatsworth	459
Hepworth	173
Tobermory	162
Lion's Head	<u> 134</u>
	\$ 8,063

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