# St. Mary of The Assumption and Missions

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



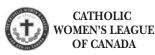
St. Vincent, Meaford Sunday 11:00 am



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

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#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Owen Sound:	Monday-Friday Tuesday, Thursday	
Sauble Beach: (Apr-Oct)	1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month	7:00 pm
Hepworth: (Nov-Mar)	1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month	7:00 pm
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

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS** 

Ècole St-Dominique-Savio

519-371-0627

St. Basil's School

519-376-9370

Notre Dame Catholic School

519-371-0161

St. Mary's High School

519-376-4278

Welcome to your new parish! You will find registration forms in the pews. Fill one out and drop it in the collection basket.



Every 2nd Monday – 7:30 pm; Mass: 7:00 pm GRAND KNIGHT Dave Whelan – 519-377-5169 email: daveandsuewhelan@yahoo.ca INSURANCE AGENT Carlos Diaz – 519-500-0947



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

# Second Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021



April 12 - 18

- Mon Fr. Wojtek Kuzma (Int) Prudence Manuel + Peter & Gabi O'Regan (Int) Tue Sr. Conrad Lauber, C.S.J. (Int)
- Richard & Deanna McKenna (Int) Holy Souls
- Wed Jerzy Kubit (Int Birthday) Clare Downey + Helen McKeown +
- Thu Fr. Robert Hudson + Fr. Ray Jackson + Bob & Mary Ann Kirkconnell (Int) Fri Hans Stadler +
- Cooper Anderson +; Special Intention

### Saturday – April 17

Ann Campbell + Our Lady's Intentions Private Intention

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter – April 18

Pro Populo Gay Lynne Moore (Int) Brenda Richter (Int)

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

Mon	Fr. Francisco Sordo	
Tue	Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma	
Wed	Permanent Deacons	
Thu	Fr. James McSharry	
Fri	Fr. Francis Hubilla	
Sat	Fr. Joseph Okoko	

\* Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick:

### From the Pastor's Desk:

Have you ever noticed that Lent is 40 days long, but Easter season is 50 days long? It seems easier for us to see the importance of the season of Lent, a time of preparation for Easter through penitential acts of prayer, penance, and almsgiving. The season of Lent resonates with us, we tend to get into Lent with our Lenten resolutions: giving something up for Lent, doing something special, going to Confession, participating in the Stations of the Cross and/or Lenten parish missions. What about Easter? It seems that we don't quite know how to truly enter into the 50 days of the Season of Easter. Not unlike Christmas, Easter seems to come and go from our thoughts and minds in a matter of days, and we return to our normal life. I wonder why that is? After all, the Church offers 50 days of the Season of Easter, indicating that we should take the time and savour the graces of this joyful time of Christ's victory over death. Why don't we?

I wonder if part of our difficulty with remaining in the joyful season of Easter is connected to our broken human nature. Is it not true that negative or dark experiences of our life tend to linger with us much longer than the joy filled experiences? When someone hurts us we tend to remember, whereas when someone is kind to us we tend to forget. It is so much easier to notice the negative than the positive, to criticize rather than compliment, to wound someone rather than to heal. In the spiritual life we also experience this attraction towards darkness rather than light. Our life's desolations tend to be more pronounced and more lasting for us than our consolations. Why is that?

I believe that this is just part of our concupiscence, the remnants of our sin which leaves such deep marks on our souls. The remedy to this fallen condition offered by the Church is to invite us to spend prolonged periods in reflecting on the positives rather than negatives. Just notice the prayers that the Church offers on our behalf and with our assistance each day. At Mass the priest recalls countless blessings that God offers to us, thanking God for his love and generosity, calling upon God to renew us in remembering the good that happened in the past and anticipating the good that will happen in the future. If we just take the time to notice the positive and hopeful message of the prayers at Mass, we will be lifted up in gratitude and thanksgiving. By offering us the long season of Easter, 50 days long, the Church also tells us that more time should be spent in reflecting on the victory of God in Resurrection than in the penitential acts of remembering our sins in Lent (40 days). We must strive hard for positivity, because it is harder for us to stay with the positivity of the resurrection, such is our fallen nature. But we must push ourselves to do it, and not to move too quickly past the glory of God's new life offered to us in the Easter message. Have you ever noticed that it is more common for people to prav to God when they are in suffering than when they are in happiness? It is so tempting to make our relationship with God only about getting us out of trouble, and once we are fine to forget to thank Him. Here is a suggestion: take more time thanking God than asking God for stuff. Spend more, or at least the same amount of time praying to God when things are going well as when things are difficult. Don't make the mistake of failing to recognize Jesus in His resurrection as the disciples did, but go out of your way to see His glory each day. And above all, stay

positive, see the good, and share your joy. He has truly risen!

Fr. Wojtek Kuzma

**Divine Mercy Devotion** – Divine Mercy Sunday, instituted worldwide by Pope John Paul II in 2000, is held each year on the Sunday after Easter. This year, April 11<sup>th</sup> is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter. Join us **at 3:00 pm this Sunday**, at St. Mary's Church. Come to our Holy Hour of Devotion with the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



## \* In the Diocese \*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter -** Easter! Resurrection and new life; a new life shared from an earthen tomb. This has been the meaning of life for Christian people for two thousand years. There is nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. Come and share the thrill of proclaiming this truth through your life as a priest, religious or deacon. If you think God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, call 905-528-7988 ext. 2246, or email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com,

**Anniversary Mass 2021 Registration** - The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years of marriage on the Diocesan website at <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u>, simply click on the Anniversary Mass icon on the home page. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass. If you have questions contact <u>familyminstry@hamitondiocese.com</u>.



**Come Retreat with Loyola House - Virtually!** Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See our website

at <u>loyolahouse.com</u> (under "Events") for more information on these upcoming retreats & programs:

The Psalms Weekend Retreat - April 16-18 - with Greg Kennedy, SJ

8-Day Directed Retreat - April 22-30

The Little Prince Retreat - May 7-9 - with Greg Kennedy, SJ

"See, I am Making All Things News" Join Me! 8-Day Retreat - May 20-28 - An Earth Retreat

NEW! **Multi-Faith Retreat series -** May 8 - Introductory Session - Inter-Spirituality & Comparative Mysticism

These virtual retreats may include video links and/or Zoom (or telephone) gatherings, and optional individual meetings with your spiritual director where indicated.

**IN-PERSON** - **Spiritual Directors' Workshop - July 5-17, 2021** - an intensive 12-day training program in spiritual direction. This year, the Loyola House Team is taking the SDW "on the road" as this in-person workshop will be held at the beautiful Villa Saint Martin, outside of Montreal.

Register by email at <u>registration@ignatiusguelph.ca</u> or by calling 519 824 1250 ext 266. Ignatius Jesuit Centre 5420 Hwy 6 N, Guelph, ON N1H 6J2 | <u>ignatiusguelph.ca</u>

### Thank you for sharing love this Lenten Season!



**The Share Love, Share Lent** campaign called you to share love, and you opened your hearts. **Our parish raised \$3,575 for Development and Peace!** This money will help sustain programs and projects that serve some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers in the Global South! Thank you

for your generosity. If you have not already done so, please consider making a donation at <u>devp.org/lent</u>.

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for – Yvette Fournier, Ann Loisel, Marilyn Schinbein, Glenn Juniper, Mike Adams, Pat McIntyre, Paul

Baggett, Lynn Gilmour, Brenda Richter, 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 in the week of April 4, 2021			
Owen Sound	\$ 6,480		
Sauble Beach	917		
Meaford	1,542		
Wiarton	668		
Chatsworth	715		
Hepworth	473		
Tobermory	N/A		
Lion's Head	N/A		
	\$ 10,795		

God bless you for your generosity.

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