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Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



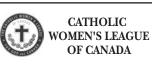
St. Vincent, Meaford Sunday 11:00 am



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 9:00 am	1
	Tuesday, Thursday 7:00 pm	l
Sauble Beach: (Apr-Oct)	1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month 7:00 pm	l
Hepworth: (Nov-Mar)	1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month 7:00 pm	l
Meaford:	2nd, 4th Wed. of the month 7:00 pm	L

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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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

First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2019





December 2 - 8

Mon 9:00 am - Chloe Willis (Int)

Tue 9:00 am - Mike & Mary Eliuk (Int) and Serafin Nunez +

7:00 pm - St. Basil's School (Int)

Wed 9:00 am- Betty Moran +

6:00 pm - CWLMass - Betty Moran +

7:00 pm Hepworth - Mary & Ed Ruth +

Thu 9:00 am - Frank Foch +

7:00 pm - Zottl Family (Int)

Fri 9:00 am – Allen Kempert (Int)

10:30 am - Errinrung - Margaret Ough +

Saturday - December 7

9:30 am Lion's Head – Special Intention

11:30 am Tobermory - Anna Bacon +

5:00 pm Owen Sound - Betty Moran +

2nd Sunday of Advent – December 8

9:00 am Chatsworth - Lorena Batterman +

9:00 am Hepworth – All Expectant Mothers (Int)

9:00 am OS – Mike & Oliva O'Connor (40th Anniv.)

11:00 am OS - Deceased Hachey Family Members +

11:00 am Wiarton - Danutra & Piotr Suwala +

11:00 am Meaford – Joseph & Cornelia Vanderhulst +

1:00 pm Cape Croker - Pro Populo

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

Fr. Michael Vanderbeek Mon

Fr. Todd Arsenault Tue Wed Diocesan Priests Thu Fr. Pierre Caouette

Fri Fr. Thomas Flynn Very Rev. John Van Hees Sat

* 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 2 - 8

Tuesday – Seniors' Cards	1:00 pm
Wednesday – St. Mary's CWL Mass & Mtg	6:00 pm
Friday – Divine Mercy Devotion	3:00 pm
Saturday – Ultreya	9:00 am

From the Pastor's Desk:

Examen Prayer - As we begin a new Liturgical Year, it is a good time to renew our practice of prayer. One of the best ways to enter into a deeper awareness of God in our lives is through an Examen Prayer. This prayer comes from St. Ignatius of Loyola and his Spiritual Exercises. I have modified it slightly for our purposes. Follow these simple steps each night before going to bed:

1. Sit down in silence in your favourite chair, light a candle (optional) and open your spiritual journal

- (you'll need to start one in order to keep a record of your thoughts). Spend a few minutes in silence, eyes closed, becoming aware of God's presence.
- 2. Think back through your day and identify your mood during the day. Were you in a good mood or in a bad mood that day Identify your mood, or changes to your mood that day.
- 3. Think back to what caused your mood to change that day. Walk through the situation that brought a change. For example: "I was in a bad mood. It all started when the cashier made a rude comment to me in the store."
- 4. Once you've identified a cause of your bad mood, ask yourself: "why did I react in this way?" For example: "Why did I become upset after the cashier made a rude comment to me?"
- 5. Identify a selfish-desire within you that caused you to end up in a bad mood. Ask yourself: "what do I want?" For example: "I want people to be kind to me, and the cashier should have been kind to me. After all, I am a kind person, I should be treated with kindness!"
- 6. Replace your selfish-desire with a God-given desire. Ask yourself: "what should I want? What does God want for me?" For example: "God wants me to offer kindness without expecting anything in return. After all, Jesus was perfect and he too was mistreated. God wants me to have a concern for others, and not just for myself. Perhaps the cashier was going through a difficult time. After all, it's a hard job and it doesn't pay very well. God wants me to be more understanding, more merciful".
- 7. Ask the Holy Spirit to replace your imperfect desire with God's desire for you. For example: "Come Holy Spirit and replace my need for kindness with a desire to offer kindness to others without counting the cost. Help me to give and not to take back."
- 8. Thank God for this time of prayer. Write down a summary of your encounter with God in your spiritual journal. For example: "God revealed to me my selfish desire of wanting to be treated kindly by others, and I prayed for the grace to replace it with a God-given desire to offer kindness without seeking kindness in return."
- 9. Go to bed. You will sleep well, I promise!

Fr. Wojtek Kuzma

* In the Parish *

St. Mary's & the Missions Christmas Card to Each

Other - The deadline for including your name in the Christmas card is Sunday, **December 15th**. Catholic Charities, a vital ministry in our parish, depends on the donations from this Christmas card for the various individuals and charities they

assist. Please put your donation envelope in the collection basket. Bless you for your support.

If you have much, give of your wealth; if you have little, give of your heart. Proverb

St. Mary's Giving Tree Project - There are tags on

the Giving Tree in the foyer of St. Mary's Church. Please take a tag if you can, purchase the item described and return it (unwrapped) along with the tag, no later than December 15th. We are most grateful!



Thank you! To all the generous parishioners of St. Mary's and the Missions, who donated coats, boots, etc. to Safe n' Sound's annual Winter Coat Drive, it was a tremendous success and we are most grateful!

K of C looking for donations of candy, pencils, pens and erasers, etc. to fill small gift bags to give to the school children at Cape Croker on First Nations Reserve on the last day of school before Christmas. The gift bags are given out by Santa himself, K of C Council 2092 Owen Sound has been doing this since the 1940s and it has brought many smiles to the children Charitable

receipts available. For more information, please call Randy Gaudet 519 270 9535

St Mary's CWL News Our Annual Christmas Fundraiser



was a great success. Many Thanks to All of You, who supported us by donating or buying baked goods at the Bake Sale, or by buying tickets for the Raffles. The winners are: Angela

Rankin (Food Basket); and Shannon Weitendorf (50/50 Draw). There will be a CWL General Meeting on Wednesday December 4th, beginning with Mass at 6:00 pm followed by a social and a short meeting. All ladies of the parish are welcome. Thank you.

St. Thomas Aguinas CWL will be putting on our annual Christmas Parish Potluck and Silent Auction on Sunday, December 8th after Mass. For your potluck dish we will be going by the first initial of your last name. Please refer to our poster at the church. We will have a Silent Auction as a fundraiser. All proceeds help those in need in our community.



Attention: St. Mary's, Hepworth and St. Thomas Aquinas, Wiarton - Soup cans for the Christmas Food Hampers are needed before December 10th when the churches submit their collections. We need 1000 cans. Please

be generous.

* In the Diocese *

Parenting Tip of the Month - For Catholics, Christmas is about so much more than gifts: it is the promise, through the birth of Jesus, of goodness and light coming into our lives. Do your children know this is the focus of Christmas? Advent and Christmas are perfect times to highlight the "reason for the season". Read stories about the Advent wreath so they understand what each candle symbolizes; read the story of the Nativity (more than once!); be sure the tree is adorned with symbols of the faith; read family Advent reflections daily during Advent; attend Mass and reflect on the readings each week, including Christmas Day. Faith sets a foundation on which to stand and Christmas is a perfect time to bring Christ into your family activities! (Family Ministry Office, Hamilton Diocese)

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-today 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.

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for Caroline Fitzpatrick, Scott Fitzpatrick, Steven Scott, Shelley Curley, Ron McCoy, Patricia McMillan, Jim Cooper, Karl Fortney, Shannon Daultrey, Marjorie Forcier, Arthur Diaz, Sherri Maine, Paul Van Scheyndel, 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 November 23 / 24, 2019

Owen Sound	6,360
Meaford	1,023
Hepwortj	712
Wiarton	709
Chatsworth	494
Sauble Beach	384
Lion's Head	336
Tobermory	141
-	\$ 10,159

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

God bless you for your generosity

Honey for sale in support of the New Rectory Build has been well received. 155 jars have been purchased to date, with \$5 from each jar going straight to the building fund. If you've been planning to purchase a jar, don't delay, as there are only about 50 jars remaining. Sales will wrap up by the end of December. Honey is available in the church foyer, or at the office, at St Mary's Owen Sound, for \$10 per 1kg jar.



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