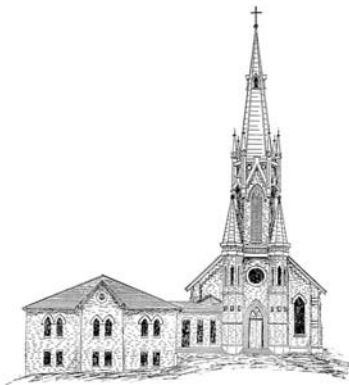


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**St. Mary of the Assumption
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Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



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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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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

DIVINE MERCY OWEN SOUND

Friday 3:00 pm – 4:00 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 at the back of the Church. Fill one out and drop it in the collection basket.




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

Second Sunday of Advent

December 10th, 2023



Dec 11 to Dec 17

Mon 9:00 am Ellen Cayen +
Private Mass: Fr. Charles Forget (Int)

Tue 9:00 am Steve Rovers +
7:00 pm Alan Clarke +
Private Mass: David Ellis (Int)

Wed 9:00 am Edith Fries (Int)
Private Mass: Special Intention

Thu 9:00 am Fred Walker (Int)
7:00 pm Eleanor Dunlop +
Private Mass: Sophie Kim & Family (Int)

Fri 9:00 am Bruce Solomon +
Private Mass: Grace Schweitzer +
Private Mass: Jeremy Fleming +

Saturday – December 16
9:30 am Lion's Head – In thanksgiving for the lives of unborn children
11:30 am Tobermory – John Patrick & Blanche O'Leary +
5:00 pm Owen Sound – Notre Dame School students & staff (Int)

Sunday – December 17
9:00 am OS – Antonia Kern +
11:00 am OS – Ewa Milek +
9:00 am Chatsworth – Lepre Family (Int)
11:00 am Meaford – Evangelos Nitsis (Int)
9:00 am Hepworth – Matthew Boulanger +
11:00 am Wiarton – Madeleine Schwoob +
1:00 pm Cape Croker – Pro Populo

From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

This week we pray for:

Mon Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
Tue Married Couples
Wed Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (C.Ss.R.)
Thu Rev. Wallace Metcalf
Fri Rev. Charles Galea
Sat Rev. Robert Kiffman

* **Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick:**
Available upon request. Please call the office. *

Prayer Corner:

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins my Mother; to thee I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful; O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



* In the Parish *

2023 Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th

Lion's Head _____ 3:00 pm
Owen Sound _____ 5:00, 9:00 pm

Christmas Day, Monday, December 25th

Owen Sound _____ 9:00, 11:00 am
Chatsworth _____ 9:00 am
Hepworth _____ 9:00 am
Meaford _____ 11:00 am
Wiarton _____ 11:00 am
Cape Croker _____ 1:00 pm

New Year's Eve, Sunday, December 31st

Lion's Head _____ 3:00 pm
Owen Sound _____ 5:00 pm

New Year's Day – Mary, the Holy Mother of God, January 1st

Owen Sound _____ 9:00, 11:00 am
Chatsworth _____ 9:00 am
Hepworth _____ 9:00 am
Meaford _____ 11:00 am
Wiarton _____ 11:00 am
Cape Croker _____ 1:00 pm

2024 Offering Envelopes - Boxed sets of envelopes for 2024 are now available. Please note that we are putting out fewer boxes than in previous years; your favourite number might not be available. Please choose any number but be sure to print your name and address on the first few you use.

Parish Gift Shop – We just received some new Christmas items in the gift shop! Please drop by during office hours and have a look. We have ornaments, advent calendars and car decals.



Also, for those hard to buy for people, we have our Parish travel mugs available for \$10. Proceeds from these mugs go to our Rectory .

Alpha is back! – Starting January 9th, 2024, at 10 am to 12 noon at St. Mary's Parish Centre, Owen Sound. Registration forms are available in the foyer of the church or call the parish office at 519-375-0778.



What is Alpha? We believe that everyone should have the chance to explore faith, ask questions, and share their point of view.

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation.

Alpha is enjoyed all around the globe, and everyone is welcome. It runs in cafes, churches, universities, homes – you name it. No two Alphas look the same, but generally they have three key things in common: Connection, Content, and Conversation. Come and see.

Cemeteries Closed from December 1st to May 1st Annually - Rights Holders are asked to remove any and all items which are not part of the permanent marker. After December 1st, any items left behind will be removed by the cemetery staff. Only a saddle wreath or single drained cone can be replaced after May 1st. Miscellaneous items, gardens and shrubs will be removed in accordance with the cemetery by laws. Visitors are still welcome to walk in the cemetery and visit graves during this winter period.

Petition to protect children from online pornography – At the back of the Church this weekend, you will find petitions calling on the House of Commons to adopt Bill S-210, Protecting Young Persons from Exposure to Pornography Act. This Bill requires internet companies to implement meaningful age verification measures on their sites. The hope is that this will help to create a safer digital world for all children. Please consider signing this petition.

St. Mary's Catholic Charities invites you to participate in The Christmas Card to each other and the Giving Tree.

1) Christmas Card to each other – Christmas card envelopes can be found in the pews. The deadline for having your name included in the Christmas card is **December 13th**. Please put your donation in the collection basket or you can drop off at the office. Your donations go to St. Mary's Catholic Charities various programs including St. Mary's emergency food bank.

2) Giving Tree Project – The Giving Tree will be in the foyer of St. Mary's Church. Please take a tag, if you are able, purchase the item described and return it (**unwrapped**), no later than **December 13th**. Please be sure to leave the tag with the gift and the receipt, if possible, and place it by the Giving Tree.



Adoration every Friday – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament occurs every Friday beginning after the 9 am

Mass and ending at 8 pm. We are currently looking for people who can commit to being here at 11 am every Friday, please contact the office if you can help. Everyone is encouraged and welcome to come to the Church and spend time in the presence of our Lord.

Catholic Women's League – The St. Mary of the



Assumption CWL whole-heartedly thanks those who donated to, worked at, attended, and/or otherwise supported our bazaar on November 25, 2023. We had the most successful one we can remember! Please know that the winner of the Food Basket was Lera Ryan. Cindy Wagner won the "Let it Snow" Basket and Joy Ridgeway won the 50/50. Thanks to all!

The St. Thomas Aquinas CWL memberships are due by the end of December. Please make cheques payable to St Thomas Aquinas CWL or cash for \$35 in an envelope marked St Thomas Aquinas CWL and give it to a CWL member at Mass in Wiarton. All Catholic women of Wiarton, Sauble and Hepworth are encouraged to join!

St Thomas Aquinas CWL will hold a bake sale and homemade hostess gift items after Mass in Wiarton Dec 17. The whole parish is invited to bake or make something. Bring your items to the hall Dec 17 before mass. Thank you for supporting our parish!

** In the Diocese **

Second Sunday of Advent – December 10, 2023 - John the Baptist is sent by God to prepare the way for His Son. In our present time God sends priests, religious and deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com or visit the website: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who need our prayers:



Connie Bell, Cheryl Watters, Lincoln Hogan, Maciej Zielinski, Lydia Foch, Alwyn D'Silva, Joan West, Colleen Wright, Andrew Gambal, Mike Adams, Bernadette Lewis, Lyn Hannigan, Becki Knisley, Marlene Ryerson, Tom McDonnell, Sharon Cantlon, Brad Cahoon, Ben Meissner, Helen Hunter, Yvette Fournier, Felix Poole, Matt Bell, Maynard Dietrich, Eunice Blom, Arnold Hodgkinson, Landon Archer, and Mike Couture. **We pray to the Lord.**

Donations received the week of Dec 2/3, 2023.

Owen Sound	\$ 6, 817
Sauble Beach	279
Meaford	1, 372
Wiaraton	478
Hepworth	685
Chatsworth	192
Tobermory	112
Lion's Head	264
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