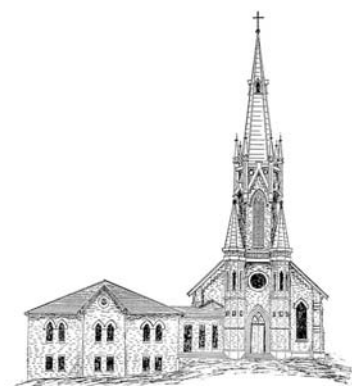


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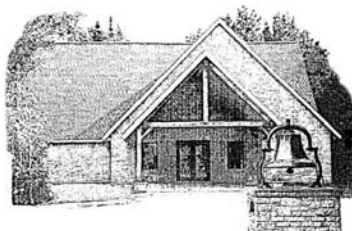
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Saturday 11:30 am



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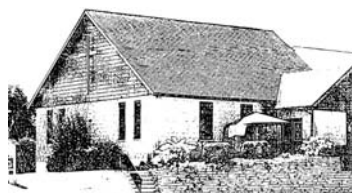
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Holy Family, Sauble Beach
Saturday 5:00 pm (July-Aug)
Sunday 9:00 am (Apr-Oct)



St. Stanislaus, Chatsworth
Sunday 9:00 am



St. Thomas Aquinas, Wiarton
Sunday 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Owen Sound: Monday-Friday 9:00 am

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

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.

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

Third Sunday of Advent

December 13, 2020



December 14 - 20

Mon 9:00 am – Fr. Francis Hubilla (Int)
 Private Masses: Ethel Green-Thompson +;
 In honour of Our Blessed Mother

Tue 9:00 am – Stacey Jones +
 Private Mass – Jole Jopson +
7:00 pm – Margaret Lee +

Wed 9:00 am – Souls in Purgatory
 Private Mass: Special Intention
11:15 am –SB – Vern Finlayson +

Thu 9:00 am – Frank Beirnes +
 Private Mass: Erika Nitsis (Int)
7:00 pm – Sheila Hamilton +

Fri 9:00 am – Tina Rainville (Int)
 Private Masses: Spiritual, physical & mental health
 of the Staff & Residents of Central Place;
 In Thanksgiving

Saturday – December 19

9:30 am – Lion's Head – Patrick & Audrey Fagan +
11:30 am – Tobermory – Thanksgiving
5:00 pm – Owen Sound – Margaret Willis (Int)

Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 20

9:00 am Owen Sound – Victor Szakall +
Chatsworth – Steven Deneau +
Sauble Beach – Tyson Schnurr, Trevor Taylor,
 Jennifer Soanes & their Families (Int)

11:00 am Owen Sound – John Lewis +
Meaford – Colin Emms +
Warton – Bob Schwoob +

1:00 pm Cape Croker – Pro Populo

From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

This week we pray for:

Mon Fr. Godwin Pinto
 Tue Fr. Ronald Hodara
 Wed Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer
 Thu Fr. Edward Henhoeffler
 Fri Fr. John Schnurr
 Sat Fr. Jack Kryn

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

Advent in a Pandemic *a woman's perspective*
 This year we approach Christmas with uncertainty – in our lifetime we've never experienced a time like this. A new way is being paved through Advent. We're told not to gather; we've been instructed not to give gifts to those in need, but to buy gift cards or give money instead – that does not have the right feel to it. It's the wrong time to offer to volunteer – if we're not in 'the bubble' of those caring for others, they don't want us to start now. We're at a loss, and if we can't

be with our loved ones at Christmas, well our hearts just feel empty.

So what can we do to make this Advent season fruitful and fulfilling? I think we can begin by accepting the way things are, not lamenting over how we wish them to be. When we grumble and complain, we do nothing but bring everyone down with us. It's not healthy and it's not helpful. We can be thankful for where we live; grateful we're not in an area where the pandemic is so prevalent. A change in attitude can change our hearts.

In these unprecedented times (how often have you heard that phrase this year?), we must find different ways to bring the light of Christ to others. Be a light in these dark Advent days. When you're out and about, how many people do you recognize behind their masks? Can you tell when someone is smiling by looking at their eyes? Crinkle up those eyes and give a smile to everyone you meet. They'll appreciate it and it will make you feel better, I guarantee it. Start small, but find new ways to shine – a glimmer of light, a spark of hope will only grow warmer and brighter. And where there's light, there's Christ.

Margery Frisch

2020

Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve, Thursday, December 24th

Tobermory _____ 3:00 pm
 Lion's Head _____ 3:00 pm
 Warton _____ 5:00 pm
 Meaford _____ 5:00 pm
 Owen Sound _____ 5:00, 7:00, 9:00 pm

Christmas Day, Friday, December 25th

Owen Sound _____ 9:00, 11:00 am
 Sauble Beach _____ 9:00 am
 Chatsworth _____ 9:00 am
 Cape Croker _____ 11:00 am

Tickets must be obtained for Christmas Masses from the Parish office (for Owen Sound Masses) and from the ushers at the mission churches, to ensure social distancing and contact tracing.

New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31st

Tobermory _____ 3:00 pm
 Lion's Head _____ 3:00 pm
 Warton _____ 5:00 pm
 Meaford _____ 5:00 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
 Sauble Beach _____ 9:00 am
 Chatsworth _____ 9:00 am
 Cape Croker _____ 11:00 pm

***In the Parish ***

2021 Offering Envelopes - Boxed offering envelopes for the New Year are available at the back of the church for pick up. Box numbers are not assigned; pick up whichever

number you like best! (Please only touch the box you plan to take.) When you start using the envelopes in January, print your name and address on the first 3 or 4 envelopes you use so that we can match our records with your new envelope number.

The Knights of Columbus Fr. Granottier Council 2092 & Assembly would like to reach out to all parishioners of St Marys and the Missions who may be suffering through these challenging times. We are ready to assist however we can. You can call 519 270 9535 anytime. *We Will Leave No Neighbor Behind.*



Sunday Missals 2020-2021 – Missals are now available at all of our churches. Parishioners can also purchase them in the church office during regular office hours. Still \$5 apiece.



St. Mary's Giving Tree Project – COVID-19 has forced us to do everything differently in 2020, including how we help others in our community. Normally, at this time of year, we set tags on the Giving Tree in the foyer of St. Mary's Church, and those taking the tags would purchase the suggested items – most were clothing for children. We work in conjunction with the Salvation Army and this year we have been asked to contribute money with which they will purchase gift cards for families who have registered for help. This year you will find envelopes on the tree. Please take an envelope, putting either cash or cheque inside (cheques should be written out to St. Mary's Church). Return the envelopes, placing them in the collection basket, no later than this Sunday - **December 13th**. We will then send one payment, with the collected amount, to the Salvation Army. We are most grateful for your continued generosity!



** In the Diocese **

Third Sunday of Advent - There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, call 905-528-7988 ext. 2246, or Email Fr. King: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

Parenting Tip of the Month: Christmas during COVID will change many of our traditional outings and gatherings as a family, but we can still easily take part in our faith traditions. Centering our celebration on the birth of Christ is a great way to remind our children that Christmas for Catholics is the same this year as in other years. During Advent set up an Advent wreath and each week pray and talk about what each candle represents: hope, peace, joy and love; read the story of the Nativity (more than once!) and set one up in your home; adorn the tree with symbols of the faith; attend Mass and reflect on the readings each week, especially on Christmas Day. The joy of Christmas is not gone because of COVID since Christmas reminds us of

something that will never change, God's great love for each of us.

Journey Through Advent - The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) has provided a new online weekly video series created to help Canadian Catholic faithful to prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Entitled *Journey through Advent*, the series is a joint project involving the CCCB's *Office national de liturgie*, the National Liturgy Office, and the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis. The videos present reflections on the Gospel readings for each Sunday in Advent. The Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., Bishop of Hamilton and the Most Reverend Pierre Goudreault, Bishop of Saint-Anne-de-la-Pocatière, provide spiritual and pastoral guidance on the readings that illustrate the true meaning of Christmas. This video series is especially relevant given the COVID-19 pandemic that places limitations on in-person gatherings for faith communities. It is hoped that *Journey through Advent* will be a source of deep spiritual solace and insightful preparation for all. The videos will be available on the CCCB website **each Monday in advance of the upcoming Sunday celebration** (23 November, 30 November 7 December and 14 December). **To follow the series:** [Journey through Advent - Diocese of Hamilton \(hamiltondiocese.com\)](http://hamiltondiocese.com)

Anniversary Mass 2021 - As the restrictions from COVID-19 continue and for the safety of all concerned, a decision has been made to cancel the annual Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021. Bishop Crosby would still love to offer congratulations to all those who will married 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years in 2021, so you will be able to register your anniversary on line and we will send you the certificate you would have received if the Mass had gone ahead. More information will be sent in January about how to register.

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for – Kay Keffer, Pat McIntyre, Lynn Gilmour, Rosaleen Engel, 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 from December 5 / 6, 2020

Owen Sound	\$15,792
Sauble Beach	563
Meaford	1,447
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