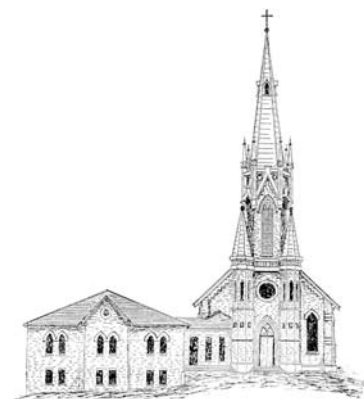


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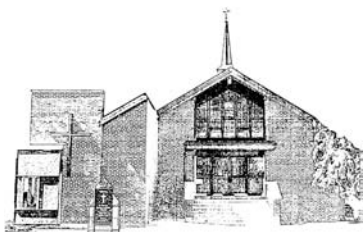
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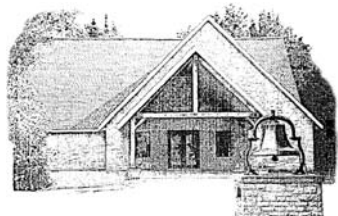
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Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



St. Vincent, Meaford
Sunday 11:00 am



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



St. Mark, Lions Head
Saturday 9:30 am

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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)

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.

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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Sunday 11:00 am

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

4th Sunday of Advent

December 23, 2018



December 24 - 30

Christmas Eve

- 3:00 pm – Lion's Head – Mass
- 5:00 pm – Warton – Rita Rudolph +
- 5:00 pm - Meaford – John & Kathleen Patay +
- 6:00 pm – Owen Sound – Barbara Fox +
- 9:00 pm – Owen Sound – Joseph & Elizabeth Mah +

Christmas Day

- 9:00 am – Hepworth – Pro Populo
- 9:00 am – Chatsworth – Camilla Silverthorn +
- 9:00 am – Owen Sound – Frank Szakall+
- 11:00 am – Owen Sound – Dave Murphy +
- 11:00 am – Cape Croker – Dorothy & Ron Johnston (Int)

Wed 9:00 am – Frank Foch + and Betty Ker +
7:00 pm Meaford - CANCELLED

Thu 9:00 am – Jacob Di Nardo (Int)
7:00 pm – Alexander Hall (Int)

Fri 9:00 am – Tony Rovers (Int)
10:30 am - Central Place – Theresa Dwyer +

Saturday – December 29

- 9:30 am Lion's Head – Patrick Dunning (Int)
- 11:30 am Tobermory – Mass
- 5:00 pm Owen Sound – Jack & Helen Maher and Joseph Cicero +

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph – December 30

- 9:00 am Chatsworth – Bob & Lorraine O'Bright Family (Int)
- 9:00 am Hepworth – John Heslop +
- 9:00 am Owen Sound – Bill Carey +
- 11:00 am Owen Sound – Alfred Frisch +
- 11:00 am Warton – Earl & Marian Hoffman +
- 11:00 am Meaford – Carol Grieve +
- 1:00 pm Cape Croker – Pro Populo

From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

This week we pray for:

- Mon Fr. Francis Hubilla
- Tue Christmas Day – The Nativity of the Lord
- Wed Franciscan Fathers
- Thu Fr. Ronald Voisin
- Fri Fr. Duy Van Nguyen
- Sat Fr. Kevin D'Souza

* 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 24 - 30

- Thursday – Prayer Ministry5:00 pm
- Friday – Divine Mercy Devotion 3:00 pm



From the Pastor's Desk

Christmas is a joyous occasion. Those of us who are committed to the Christian faith rejoice at the great love given to us in the coming of Jesus Christ. Those

not committed to Jesus Christ still find ways to celebrate the joy of Christmas with many joy filled traditions and family gatherings. But there are some, who find Christmas very difficult. I remember one woman who came to me many years ago and shared her struggle in celebrating Christmas after the death of her son. She struggled through many Christmases. She loved her son and each Christmas reminded her of the pain of missing him at the Christmas table. One day she went to Church and heard a homily about Christ's birth. She told me that it was because of that homily that she was able to celebrate Christmas once again. She realized that it was thanks to the birth of Jesus Christ that her son was in heaven, and that she would see him again. Christmas time is a perfect reflection of our life, filled with both joys and sorrows. As we listen to the account of Christ's birth we see that tension on display. There are joyful and celebratory moments: the goodness of Joseph and Mary, the kindness of strangers, the singing of angels, the reverence of shepherds. We also see pain and suffering: the envy of King Herod, the poverty of the holy family, the long journey filled with danger. Yes, our Lord Jesus comes to us and from the first moments of his incarnation chooses to experience everything that is human: joys and sorrow, love and hate, acceptance and rejection. Christmas is meant to be both comforting and challenging for Christians, after all, we wish to unite ourselves with Jesus and all of his experiences. Please be good to one another this Christmas, know that you are loved by God, and take the time to share that love with everyone you meet. And if you feel lonely this Christmas, just give me a ring and come right over. I will have a warm cup of tea and great sweets waiting to be shared.

Fr. Wojtek Kuzma

A Seminarian's Thoughts:

What was the mountain of a lie that the Legion was built on? It is difficult to explain, without going into a long backstory, how shocking was the scandal Fr. William was about to reveal to me. Briefly, the Legion of Christ was founded in Mexico in 1941 by a 20-year old seminarian, Marcial Maciel. Given his bishop's permission, he started the group with just 13 boys. From poverty and small beginnings, the charismatic Fr. Maciel grew the Legion exponentially. It had to have been miraculous. By 1950, the Legion had a formation house in Rome. By 1965, they were officially approved by Pope Paul VI. In 1983, John Paul II himself personally approved their constitutions, something that never happens.

By this time the Legion was the fastest growing religious order, by far, in the entire world. They were in virtually every western country. They recruited numbers like no one had ever seen since St. Ignatius started the Jesuits. John Paul II saw them as the great hope for the future of the Church. He loved that they were so young and so on fire for Jesus Christ. This was exactly what the Holy Father wanted when he talked about the New Evangelization. While other religious orders were dying off and openly dissenting from Church teaching, the average age of a Legionary was 24, and they were devoted to the Church and the Magisterium. In 1991, John Paul II personally ordained 50 Legionary priests in celebration of the Legion's 50th anniversary. Those kinds of numbers were unheard of in other congregations of priests. Naturally, John Paul II

saw Fr. Maciel as one of the Church's greatest saints. Did not our Lord say you will know a tree by its fruits? So what was the problem?

Matt

Have a Blessed Christmas! Please note that the office will be closed from Friday, December 21st at noon till Wednesday, January 2nd. We wish you all God's peace and blessings.

Christmas Schedule

CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24

Lion's Head 3pm
 Wiarton 5pm
 Meaford 5pm
 Owen Sound 6pm, 9pm

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25

Owen Sound 9am, 11am
 Hepworth 9am
 Chatsworth 9am
 Cape Croker 11am

MARY MOTHER OF GOD, NEW YEAR

Monday, December 31

Tobermory 3pm
 Wiarton 5pm
 Meaford 5pm
 Owen Sound 5pm

Tuesday, January 1

Owen Sound 9am, 11am
 Hepworth 9am
 Chatsworth 9am
 Cape Croker 11pm

*In the Parish *

CWL Membership Fees are due now for 2019. The cost is \$25. Please use the blue envelope from your box of envelopes. Be sure to put your name, address and phone number on the envelope and place it in the collection basket. Thank you.



It's That Time of Year Again – Please be kind to those who clean the floors of our churches. Stamp the snow AND the salt off your boots before entering the church. Thank you.



* In the Community *

Become a Chapman House Volunteer – the greatest gift you can give this year is **Your Time**. Volunteer today! We have a Volunteer Role for nearly every age and interest. Call today. Orientation and Palliative Care Course begins in January. Limited spaces. Contact Jacky at 519-370-7239, or email: jherbert@greybrucehospice.com

* In the Diocese *

The Hamilton Diocese is conducting the **One Heart, One Soul Campaign** to raise money for every Parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. For a compilation of all

questions asked regarding this campaign go to www.oneheartonesoul.ca

What is the state of diocesan finances? The diocesan financial picture is strong – the amount of assets has grown in recent years and investments are doing well. Meanwhile, the Diocese is generous with grants and loans to parishes and Catholic organizations within the Diocese. Parish assessments have been stable in recent years but have not



kept up with increases in diocesan operating costs. Property sales have been used more frequently to keep the Diocese's operating budget balanced and strong, and

many assets (such as the Care and Maintenance Fund for Cemeteries) are restricted and not at the Diocese's disposal. This is not an emergency situation. The Diocese is looking ahead and acting before any kind of emergency could develop. Overall, the campaign is a way to ensure that more parishes will be able to be self-sufficient over the long term, building up themselves and the Diocese at the same time.

What kind of financial transparency can we expect during the campaign and beyond? Transparency is a top priority for the Diocese. Summaries of diocesan financial reports from 2012 through 2017 are on the diocesan website, and copies of the full reports are available from the Diocese's financial office. Regular updates of campaign goals, projects and fundraising will be communicated during the campaign through the website, emails, social media, to name a few. Visit www.oneheartonesoul.ca to find more questions and answers.

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for Mary Ann Burke, Marilyn Schinbein, Becki Knisley, Joanne LaFlamme Talbot, Terry Gurica, Marlene Lukie June Peet, Mike Adams, Sharon Cantlon, Tom McDonnell, Maureen McTeague, Vern Finlayson, Fred Fries, Josh Cahoon, and Sean McTeague, - **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 year, at this time, we will begin our list anew.*



Donations for December 8 / 9 2018.

Owen Sound	\$ 6,538
Meaford	1,526
Wiarion	926
Chatsworth	556
Hepworth	551
Tobermory	543
Lion's Head	311
Sauble Beach	161
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Due to printing deadlines earlier than normal, our donation records are a week behind. We will get caught up in the New Year.

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