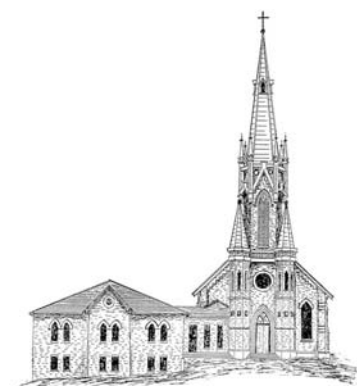


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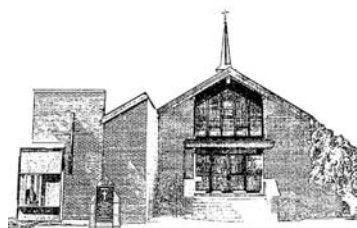
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St. Thomas The Apostle, Tobermory
Saturday 11:30 am



St. Mark, Lions Head
Saturday 9:30 am

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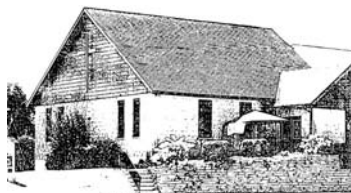
St. Mary of the Rosary, Hepworth
Sunday 9:00 am (Nov-Mar)



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



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

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph December 29, 2019



Dec. 30 – Jan. 5

Mon 9:00 am – Kenneth Rankin. +

Tuesday, December 31st

OS 9:00 am – Art Rivest & Helen Benninger (Int)

Tobermory 3:00 pm – Our Lady's Intentions
 Wiarton 5:00 pm – Anna Elliott +
 Meaford 5:00 pm – Lillias deLom (healing)
 Owen Sound 5:00 pm – Pat & Al Gordanier (Int)

Mary, Mother of God, New Year

Chatsworth 9:00 am – For our Priests (Int)
 Hepworth 9:00 am – Our Holy Family (Int)
 Owen Sound 9:00 am – Nick Garrett (Int)
 Owen Sound 11:00 am – Wilf Myatt +
 Cape Croker 11:00 am – Cora McBride (Int)

Thu 9:00 am – Dr. T. Way McDonald +
7:00 pm – Fr. Wojtek Kuzma (Int)

Fri 9:00 am – Souls in Purgatory
10:30 am – Errinrung – Mark Galligan +

Saturday – January 4

9:30 am Lion's Head – Estir Stover +
 11:30 am Tobermory – Mass
 5:00 pm Owen Sound – Frank Foch +

Epiphany of the Lord – January 5

9:00 am Chatsworth – William Charlton +
 9:00 am Hepworth – Julius & Catharina van Aalst +
 9:00 am OS – Pro Populo
 11:00 am OS – Bill Carey +
 11:00 am Wiarton – Anna Elliott +
 11:00 am Meaford – Wanda Kubik +,
 and Stanislaw Murmylo +
 1:00 pm Cape Croker – Mass

From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

This week we pray for:

Mon Fr. Mark Morley
 Tue Fr. Jason Kuntz
 Wed Diocesan Priests
 Thu Fr. Mark Sullivan
 Fri Very Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
 Sat Fr. Gregory Merkley

*** 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

Dec. 30 – Jan. 5

Tuesday – Seniors' Cards 1:00 pm
 Friday – Divine Mercy Devotion 3:00 pm
 Saturday – Ultreya 9:00 am

From the Pastor's Desk:



Christmas season is not only short (if you discount the commercial lead up to it), but it is also filled with stories and traditions we know so well. There is something comforting, I think, in celebrating that which is old, well known, and so familiar. Like slipping into a pair of old comfortable shoes. In a world that seems to be moving further and further away from God, it sure is interesting how Christmas has maintained its staying power. The more I think about the attraction of Christmas, why it is not as easily rejected as the practice of our faith, I become aware of an old truth: people are intuitively religious in nature. What I mean by that is that we all need traditions and rituals in our lives, we all cling to the stability that religious practices offer us. This is perfectly displayed with Christmas decorations all around our towns and neighbourhoods each year. In all the ways we try to be adventurous and new in our approach to life, family and work, we still find comfort in returning to the old, familiar, and comfortable. Perhaps the attraction with Christmas among people who are not practicing their faith offers us a glimmer of hope. Perhaps it shows that what is at the very heart of each person is a need to belong, to feel, and to love. One of the most beautiful and resonating gifts that Jesus offers us is an answer to these very needs. Jesus offered us a community of believers who come together to pray, to receive gifts from God, and to be loved. We call this community the Church. With all of the struggles that some may have in being part of the Church in our modern world, our invitation to have them come and join us is truly a way to answer the longings of their hearts. Let's remember that next time we are hesitant to invite our children, neighbours, or friends to join us at Mass.

Fr. Kuzma

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph - Scripture tells us practically nothing about the first years and the boyhood of the Child Jesus. All we know are the facts of the sojourn in Egypt, the return to Nazareth, and the incidents that occurred when the twelve-year-old boy accompanied his parents to Jerusalem. In her liturgy the Church hurries over this period of Christ's life with equal brevity. The general breakdown of the family, however, at the end of the past century and at the beginning of our own, prompted the popes, especially the far-sighted Leo XIII, to promote the observance of this feast with the hope that it might instill into Christian families something of the faithful love and the devoted attachment that characterize the family of Nazareth. The primary purpose of the Church in instituting and promoting this feast is to present the Holy Family as the model and exemplar of all Christian families. *Excerpted from With Christ Through the Year, Rev. Bernard Strasser, O.S.B.*

Mary, Mother of God, New Year

Tuesday, December 31st

Tobermory (Fr. Wojtek) 3:00 pm
 Wiarton (Fr. Wojtek) 5:00 pm

Mary, Mother of God, New Year – cont'd

Meaford (Fr. James) 5:00 pm
 Owen Sound (Fr. Francis) 5:00 pm

Wednesday, January 1st

Owen Sound (Fr. Tom) 9:00 & 11:00 am
 Hepworth (Fr. Wojtek) 9:00 am
 Chatsworth (Fr. Francis) 9:00 am
 Cape Croker (Fr. James) 11:00 am

*** In the Parish ***

Christmas Hampers – Many thanks to everyone at St. Mary's, Hepworth and St. Thomas Aquinas, Wiarton for a very successful **soup campaign**. Grateful thanks, also, to the Knights of Columbus for their very generous donation.

2020 Offering Envelopes are now available for pickup. Please take a minute to print your name, and the envelope number you took, on the clipboard that is with the envelopes. Numbers are not assigned to anyone in particular; simply write your name and address (how you would like it to appear on your year-end tax receipt) on the first 5 or 6 envelopes that you use.

Christmas Office Hours: Please note the office will be closed at noon on Friday, December 20th and all through the Christmas Octave, reopening on **Thursday, January 2nd**. Christmas blessings to all!

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.



Knitters – the Knitting group will change from Thursdays to Wednesdays. Beginning January 8th, after Prayers & Squares (weather permitting), knitters will meet in St. Mary's Church hall from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.



It's that time of year again – Please be kind to those who clean the floors of our churches. It would be most helpful if you would stamp the snow AND the salt off your boots before entering the church. Thank you.



*** In the Diocese ***

Marriage Tip - New Year's Resolutions are often lofty goals that don't last too long after they are made, but even thinking about them reminds us that there is room for change/improvement. This year skip the resolutions and plan for a specific change in your couple relationship: a date night once a month (weekly if that is realistic); time at the end of each day to ask, what did we do good today, what could we do better; holding hands on walks or while shopping; sharing a coffee every morning before the kids wake up or work interferes; finding one thing to thank your spouse for daily; looking for moments to compliment. There are so many more possibilities, so take the time to do something! At the end of 2020 you will feel a renewed

sense of connection and love – try one or try them all, but do try something! (from the Family Ministry Office, Diocese of Hamilton)

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-to-day 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.hopcomeshome.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 Melissa Shular, Eileen Fortney, Len Keffer, Doreen Raco, Helen Meyer, Caroline Fitzpatrick, Scott Fitzpatrick, Steven Scott, Shelley Curley, Ron McCoy, Patricia McMillan, Karl Fortney, Shannon Daultrey, Marjorie Forcier, Arthur Diaz, Sherri Maine, 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 December 14 / 15, 2019

Owen Sound	9,926
Meaford	1,373
Chatsworth	858
Warton	697
Hepworth	535
Sauble Beach	334
Lion's Head	261
Tobermory	152
Latin Mass	409
	\$14,545

Weekly cost to run St. Mary's & the Missions \$11,130

God bless you for your generosity

2020 envelopes are now available; feel free to take a box. Remember to print your name and address on the first 2 or 3 envelopes you use in the new year, as we do not assign numbers.

Then Joseph got up, took the child and his mother by night, and went to Egypt and remained there until the death of Herod. Mt.2.14


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