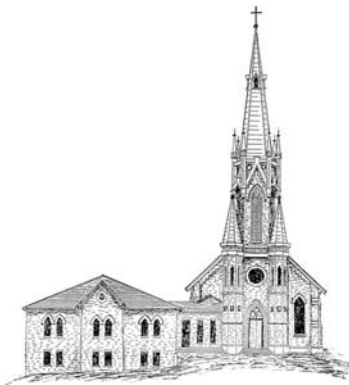


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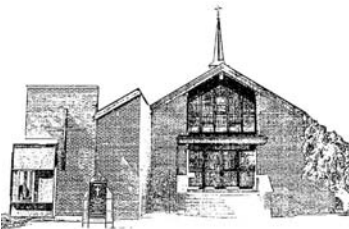
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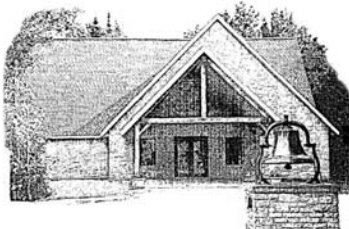
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**St. Mary of the Assumption  
Owen Sound**  
Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



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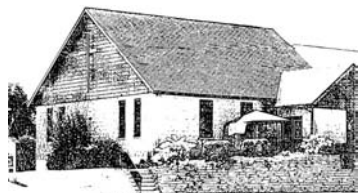
**St. Mary of the Rosary, Hepworth**  
Sunday 9:00 am (Nov-Mar)



**Holy Family, Sauble Beach**  
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.

 **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF CANADA**

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

# First Sunday of Advent

December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023



Dec 4 to Dec 10

**Mon 9:00 am** Ida & Christian Gruber +  
Private Mass: Fr. Mike King (Int)

**Tue 9:00 am** Doug Armstrong +  
**7:00 pm** Steve Rovers +  
Private Mass: Kevin Pointon (Int)

**Wed 9:00 am** Willem Pijls +  
Private Mass: Jack & Pam Ostrander (Int)

**Thu 9:00 am** Francis Hehn (Int)  
**7:00 pm** Stephen Rovers +  
Private Mass: Patricia McMillan (Int)

**Fri 9:00 am** Paddy McArthur +  
Private Mass: Erika Mary Nitsis (Int)  
Private Mass: Genie Morales +

## Saturday – December 9

9:30 am Lion's Head – Doreen Casey +  
11:30 am Tobermory – Neil Hamilton +  
5:00 pm Owen Sound – George Boulianne +  
Private Mass: For all the souls in Purgatory

## Sunday – December 10

9:00 am OS – Art & Martha Radbourne (Int)  
11:00 am OS – Fr. Willard Sehl +  
9:00 am Chatsworth – Pro Populo  
11:00 am Meaford – Patrick & Andrea Dunning (Int)  
9:00 am Hepworth – Keith Munn +  
11:00 am Wiarton – Donna Blakelock +  
1:00 pm Cape Croker – Mass

## From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

### This week we pray for:

Mon Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.  
Tue Grandparents & Elderly  
Wed Order of Preachers (Dominican, O.P)  
Thu Rev. Donald Sanvido  
Fri **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Sat Rev. David Perrin

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

*Just a thought...*

As most of you know by now, I believe a great deal in the power of prayer.

I am bringing this up again because I recently discovered a little note on prayer that I thought could help me when I pray. It resonated with me because sometimes I am guilty of trying to talk God around to my way of thinking on a particular matter. I know that He knows best, and I know that sometimes my prayers are not answered because that is what is best for me, but I have at times tried to reason with God, "I think this should happen because..." and I tell him my reasons.

I read this note on prayer and I thought that I could keep it in mind when I pray. I hope that maybe it will help you too.

### About Prayer

It's about humility, not merit.  
It's about honesty, not best behaviour.  
It's about the heart, not the head.  
It's about faith, not certainty.  
It's about simplicity, not complexity.  
It's about friendship, not fear.  
It's about intimacy, not distance.  
It's about community, not just me.  
It's about routine, not whenever.  
It's about changing our mind, not God's.  
It's about what we undergo, not what we do.  
It's about being called into being.  
It's about being loved.  
And, being loved, loving others, loving the world...

Written by Raymond Friel and David Wells.

Have a good week everyone!

*Brenda Lee*

### \* *In the Parish* \*

Alpha is back! – 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 online, 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.

If you would like more information, please call the parish office at 519-376-0778.

Knights of Columbus - The Knights of Columbus invite you to the monthly Parish Breakfast this Sunday, **December 3rd after the 9 am and 11 am Masses** at St. Mary's Church, in the Parish Centre. Come enjoy some breakfast and spend some time with your fellow parishioners. A donation is appreciated, with proceeds towards K of C projects.



St. Mary's Catholic Charities invite 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 13<sup>th</sup>**. Please put your donation in the collection basket or you can drop off at the office.

**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 13<sup>th</sup>**. Please be sure to leave the tag with the gift and the receipt, if possible, and place it by the Giving Tree.



These projects would not be possible without the support and generosity of you, the Parishioners. We are grateful for all your support and generous hearts. We wish you all a Blessed Christmas and a Joyous and Healthy New Year.

Blessings to you all – **St. Mary's Catholic Charities**

Adoration every Friday – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament occurs every Friday beginning after the 9 am Mass and going until 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 membership is due in January. The membership is \$40.00. For those who use envelopes, there is an envelope in the parish envelope box for the membership.



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

Warton. All Catholic women of Warton, Sauble and Hepworth are encouraged to join!

St Thomas Aquinas CWL will hold a bake sale and homemade hostess gift items after Mass in Warton 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 \**

First Sunday of Advent – December 3, 2023 - The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Could God's "particular task" for you be a call to a Church vocation? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) or visit the website: [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://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 Nov 25/26, 2023.**

Owen Sound	\$ 5, 912
Sauble Beach	279
Meaford	1, 822
Warton	613
Hepworth	1, 891
Chatsworth	397
Tobermory	138
Lion's Head	<u>319</u>
	<b>\$ 11, 371</b>

*God bless you for your generosity.*

Jesus said to his disciples: "Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come.

**Mark 13.33**

When the heart is pure and simple it cannot help loving, because it has discovered its source of love which is God.

**St. John Mary Vianney**



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