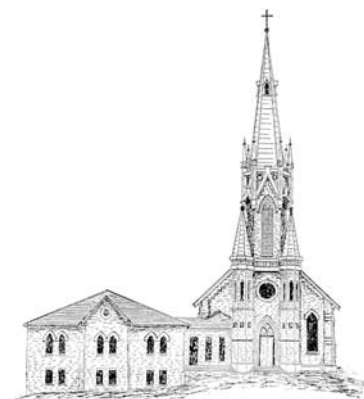


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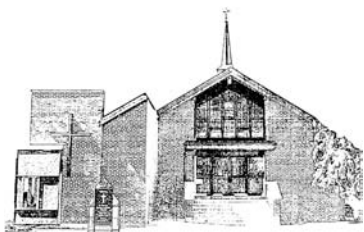
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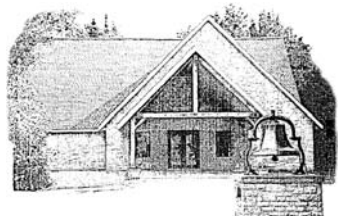
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**St. Mary of the Assumption  
Owen Sound**  
Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



**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**  
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**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.



**St. Stanislaus, Chatsworth**  
Sunday 9:00 am



**St. Thomas Aquinas, Warton**  
Sunday 11:00 am



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519-376-4278



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

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent

## December 9, 2018



Mass Intentions  
FOR THE WEEK

December 10 - 16

- Mon** 9:00 am – Allen & Margie Ruth (Int)  
**Tue** 9:00 am – Sandra Rayner +  
7:00 pm – Fr. Emmanuel Ogboli (Int)  
**Wed** 9:00 am – Jane Rose Muise +  
7:00 pm Meaford – Erika Nitsis (Int)  
**Thu** 9:00 am – Andrea Cooke (Int)  
7:00 pm – Arlene & Robert Pointon (Int)  
**Fri** 9:00 am – Valerie Munn (Int)  
10:30 am Kelso Villa – Mary Walser +  
**Saturday – December 15**  
9:30 am Lion's Head – Pro Populo  
11:30 am Tobermory – Mass  
5:00 pm Owen Sound – Susan McDonald +  
**Third Sunday of Advent – December 16**  
9:00 am Chatsworth– Bill & Georgina Strub & Family (Int)  
9:00 am Hepworth – Delores, Rick & Alan Yudinsky +  
9:00 am Owen Sound – Joan Francis +  
11:00 am Owen Sound – Ewen Seguin +  
11:00 am Wiarton – Wanda Kosior +  
11:00 am Meaford – John Dougherty +  
1:00 pm Cape Croker – Mass  
3:00 pm Latin Mass

### From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

#### This week we pray for:

- Mon Fr. Lech Wycichowski  
Tue Fr. Stanley Zaryczny  
Wed Carmelites of Mary Immaculate  
Thu Fr. Brendan McGrath  
Fri Fr. Miro Grubisic  
Sat Fr. David Perrin

#### \* 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 10 - 16

- Tuesday – Senior Cards .....1:00 pm  
Tuesday – RCIA .....7:30 pm  
Wednesday – Prayers & Squares .....9:30 am  
Wednesday – Choir .....7:00 pm  
Thursday – Prayer Ministry .....5:00 pm  
Friday – Divine Mercy Devotion .....3:00 pm  
Friday – Movie & Pot Luck .....5:00 pm  
Sunday – Advent Choir Presentation .....7:00 pm

### From the Pastor's Desk

What's this all about? I'm talking about Advent, what is it all about? This is not a trick question, it's just an invitation to look at the present moment. To help us know what the season of Advent is about we look at our readings during its four week period. The season of Advent begins with readings about the end of the world. It's interesting that the liturgical year begins with our end in mind, almost as if to help set the course for humanity, as if to say "remember

your end, make life decisions with your end in mind". Advent, therefore, is about preparing ourselves for the end of our lives, that we may be welcomed to God's glory. But there is more! Half way through the season of Advent the readings shift to a different focus, namely the nativity story, the Christmas story. It leads us to celebrate Christ's birth and to rejoice at the humility and love of God who "humbled himself and was born of the virgin". Advent, therefore, is also about remembering God's love for us, and celebrating that love, renewing that love. As a liturgical season Advent is very short. It is only 4 weeks long, and most of those 4 weeks are spent already celebrating Christmas. Even still, I believe that Advent has a very important lesson to teach us, and that's the message of LOVE. The season of Advent is about Jesus, it is about God's love for us, and it is a necessary reminder that without Jesus there is no love. Sure, people experience a kind of love in this world, in different relationships, even apart from God, but that is not true love. How do we know? Because it does not last, it does not satisfy. A life without God leads us to be constantly shifting, searching, changing. Only God can satisfy, only Jesus is able to quiet down our hearts and minds so that we can rest. Advent is about JESUS, it is about accepting JESUS once again into our lives, and living for JESUS. There is no real joy outside of a relationship with HIM. So during our Advent season let's not forget the most important person, the only one who satisfies: JESUS CHRIST, THE SAVOUR OF THE WORLD! Let's take time to pray to Him, to thank Him, to ask His forgiveness for our sins, and to renew our life of friendship with Him and faithfulness to Him and His Gospel.

*Fr. Wojtek Kuzma*

### A Seminarian's Thoughts:

Within an hour of my parents showing up at the novitiate, they were back on the road again. This time I was with them. As we drove off, I felt surprisingly at peace. The whole situation was beyond my control. Though I did not understand, I knew this was God's will. I also felt free. There was no one watching me. I was on my own schedule. I could make my own decisions. It was an odd feeling, one I wasn't used to. We stopped for a late lunch at a restaurant in Rockport. My dad stepped into a phone booth to make a call. Later he told me whom he called and what he had said: "The package is secure. We're on the move."

At lunch we further discussed my situation. I was trying to dig for more details. Why did they feel the need to take me out of the Legion against my will? Did they think I was being brainwashed? "What will Fr. William think?" I asked. I mentioned Fr. William Slattery back several weeks ago, near the beginning of this tale. He was the short Irish priest who had made me want to become a Legionary in the first place. Would he think I was abandoning God's call? "Matt," my father told me, "Fr. William is the one who told us to get you out of there." I was shocked. Fr. William was the one my dad had just been speaking to on the phone. "He told us that if the rector won't listen to us, call the bishop. If the bishop won't do anything, call the police." Wow. Knowing Fr. William was behind all this, I was now confident it was the right decision. So what exactly were the problems with the Legion of Christ?

*Matt*

**\*In the Parish \***

Special Performance - This Sunday, following the 11:00 am Mass, there will be a special performance by the Notre Dame School band in the church hall. This band has been invited to perform at the Nationals. They are asking for a free will offering to help pay their expenses. Come, enjoy the music and have a cup of coffee in St. Mary's Church Hall after the 11:00 am Mass.



St. Mary's & the Missions Christmas Card to

Each Other - The **deadline** for including your name in the Christmas card is **next Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>**. Catholic Charities, a vital ministry in our parish, depends on the donations from this Christmas card for the various individuals and charities they assist. Please put your donation envelope in the collection basket. Bless you for your support.

St. Mary's Giving Tree Project - There are tags on the Giving Tree in the foyer of St. Mary's Church. Please take a tag if you can, purchase the item described and return it (unwrapped) **along with the tag**, no later than **December 16<sup>th</sup>**. We are most grateful!



St. Mary's Choir Presents: An Advent Evening of Lessons, Reflections and Music, next Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm, at St. Mary's Church. Come celebrate this beautiful season of preparation and readiness. Bring your family and friends. All are welcome!



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.

St Thomas Aquinas CWL has something new - Chaplet's and Prayer Pockets for sale as a fundraiser! They are all handmade by our members and blessed by our Priests. They can purchased in the gift shop at St Mary's Owen Sound and are available at St Thomas Aquinas in Wiarton. Thank you for your support!



Catholic Cemeteries in Winter Mode - St. Mary's Cemetery Georgian Bluffs will continue interments throughout the winter. For the first time this year the main roadways will be plowed to allow access for visitation. The rural cemeteries; St. Stanislaus in Chatsworth, St. Mary's in Hepworth and St. Michael's in Meaford are closed for the winter and will resume interments in the spring.

**\* In the Community \***

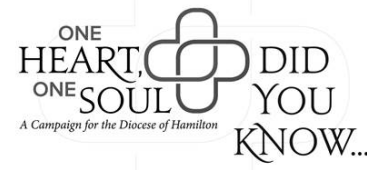
Georgian Bay Concert Choir Presents: *A Ceremony of Carols*. Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm – the Harmony Centre – 890 4<sup>th</sup> Ave E. Tickets \$25 adults, \$5 youth – available from Birgit's Pastry Café in the Owen Sound Artists' Co-op, a GBCC member, or call 519-372-1364.

**\* In the Diocese \***

The Catholic Young Adults Christmas Party: Catholic Young Adults from far and wide will be coming out to One, Big, Awesome Christmas Party! If you are Catholic, between the ages of 19-39, and single, couple or married, this will be the place to be to meet other Young Adult Catholics. 3-course dinner, live entertainment, and dancing. Consider yourself **invited!** Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup> beginning with Mass at 5:00; 6:00 is Cocktail / Social; 6:45 a Catered Dinner. Followed by Live Entertainment, Activities, and a DJ-headed Dancefloor! St. Thomas the Apostle Church (715 Centre Rd., Waterdown ON). Please **RSVP before December 12**. Call or email Justin Peter at 905 689 4857 ext. 8 or [jpeter@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:jpeter@hamiltondiocese.com).

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Infant Jesus, December 16<sup>th</sup> to December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to Infant Jesus. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to Carmel of Saint Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1 St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0

The Diocese of Hamilton 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](http://www.oneheartonesoul.ca)

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for Wilfred Myatt, 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.*



<b>Donations –November 17 / 18, 2018</b>	
Owen Sound	\$ 5,825
Meaford	1,006
Chatsworth	868
Hepworth	688
Warton	621
Lion's Head	321
Tobermory	176
Sauble Beach	161
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 9,666</b>
<b>Weekly cost to run St. Mary's &amp; the Missions</b>	<b>\$10,800</b>
<b>God bless you for your generosity.</b>	
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