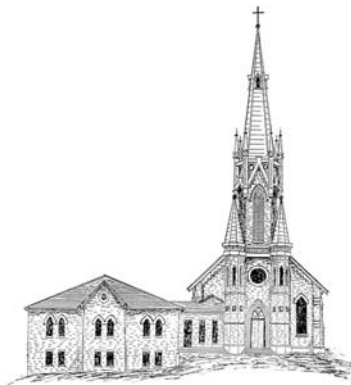


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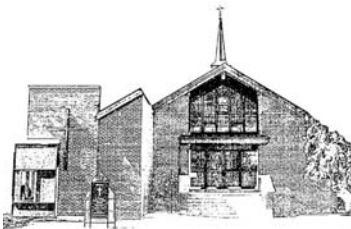
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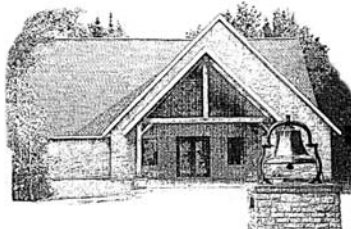
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**St. Mary of the Assumption  
Owen Sound**  
Saturday 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



**St. Vincent, Meaford**  
Sunday 11:00 am



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



**St. Mark, Lions Head**  
Saturday 9:30 am

## PASTORAL TEAM

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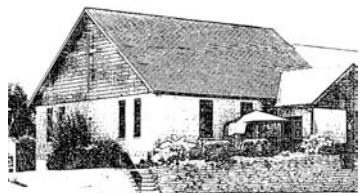
**St. Mary of the Rosary, Hepworth**  
Sunday 9:00 am (Nov-Mar)



**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.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

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

# 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11, 2021



July 12 - 18

- Mon 9:00 am** Helen Jackson +  
Private Masses: Sharon McCabe +;  
Robert & Elizabeth Dunning +
- Tue 9:00 am** Marc Lapointe (Int)  
Private Mass: Blessed Mother's Intentions  
**7:00 pm** Stanislawa Kray (Int)
- Wed 9:00 am** Sam McGee +  
Private Masses: Diane Bloch +  
**7:00 pm SB** – Karl Fortney +
- Thu 9:00 am** Jim Brown +  
Private Mass: Patrick Dunning (Int)  
**7:00 pm** Fr. James McSharry (Int)
- Fri 9:00 am** Special Intention  
Private Masses: Edward Panke +;  
Helen Hunter (Int)

## Saturday – July 17

- 9:30 am** Lion's Head – Margaret Dobie +  
**11:30 am** Tobermory – Joseph Roy +  
**5:00 pm** – Sauble Beach – Ian Fraser +  
**5:00 pm** Owen Sound – Susan McDonald +

## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 18

- 9:00 am OS – Dave Lobsinger +  
11:00 am OS – David Wyles +  
9:00 am Chatsworth – Peggy Ann Moore +  
11:00 am Meaford – Brenda Richter (Int)  
9:00 am SB – Steven Fortney +  
11:00 am Wiarton – Danuta & Piotr Suwala +  
1:00 pm Cape Croker - Mass

## From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar This week we pray for:

- |     |                          |
|-----|--------------------------|
| Mon | Most Rev. Anthony Tonnos |
| Tue | Fr. Francis Salasiar     |
| Wed | Society of Christ        |
| Thu | Fr. Ronald Hodara        |
| Fri | Fr. William Foote        |
| Sat | Fr. Michael Isabelle     |

\* **Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick:**

## *An Introduction:*

Dear parishioners of St. Mary's and the Missions,

My name is Father Gregory Merkley. I am happy to be the new associate pastor here at St. Mary's and the Missions. Many of you are likely wondering, "who is this new priest at our church?" Well, allow me to answer that question and share with you a bit about myself!



I'm originally from Kitchener, Ontario and am 32 years old. I just celebrated two years of priesthood this past May 4<sup>th</sup>, having been ordained by Bishop Douglas Crosby. My first two assignments as a priest so far were one year at St. Ann in Ancaster with then Fr. Wayne Lobsinger (now our auxiliary bishop), and then most recently another year at St. Joseph in Guelph, with Fr. Jeff Bergsma.

In terms of my family background, I have one older brother who is 6 years older than me. He has 5 wonderful children, who I always enjoy seeing. Both of my parents are from London, Ontario. I grew up, however, for much of my young life in Ayr, Ontario. I also studied in Toronto at St. Augustine's Seminary – so I've moved around a bit.

I look forward to getting to know as many of you as well as possible. Please be patient with me as I get to know your names more and more. You may call me Father Merkley, Father Greg, or anything you think appropriate.

My family growing up didn't actively practice Catholicism. Aside from a couple spurts of routine Sunday Mass attendance, my family mostly went to Mass on Christmas and Easter – if that. As time went on though, I became a practical atheist and distanced myself from the Church and religion, and lived more according to the ways of the world. Through a young lady whom I dated for some time, and who was going to Church, I started reconsidering the Catholic faith and eventually, after much seeking, prayer, and questioning, committed my life to the Lord. Over time, a call to the priesthood became more clear and I joined the seminary. Although not always an easy life, I have found living as a priest to be immensely rewarding and fulfilling. There's a lot more that could be said, but I'm happy to keep it simple for this bulletin.

I enjoy socializing, learning new things, and meeting new people. I'm excited to do all these at this parish and its missions, as we work together to grow in faith, hope and love, becoming better disciples of the Lord Jesus. I also really enjoy answering questions about the faith that people have, likely because I had so many questions myself when I came back to the Church after many years away.

I ask you to pray for me while I settle into this new appointment, so that I may be led by the Holy Spirit as I collaborate with Fr. Wojtek Kuzma and Fr. Francis Hubilla to build up the body of Christ in this beautiful parish.

*Fr. Gregory Merkley*

*\* In the Parish \**



The Word Among Us – Daily Mass readings and meditations for Canada.

We have several copies of this monthly publication available in our office - \$5.

Catholic Spirituality Podcast – If you have not yet subscribed to Fr. Kuzma’s critically acclaimed podcast, you should. You will be connected to up to date homilies, spiritual messages and updates directly coming from our pastor. Just go to your smart phone, click on the podcasts application, and search for Catholic Spirituality with Fr. Kuzma. You can also listen on our parish website by clicking on the YouTube Channel link.

**\* In the Diocese \***

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time - In today’s first reading Amos says he did not choose to be a prophet; God selected him. Maybe God is asking you to consider what you are doing at this time and perhaps begin the special work He has for you. If you feel God may be selecting you for the special life of priest, religious or deacon, call Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton: call 905-528-7988 ext. 2222 or email:

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

Retreat - Virtually! Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? Come Retreat with Loyola House Virtually! Go to: [loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) (under "Events") for information on upcoming retreats & programs.

Ignatian Spirituality Retreat - July 22-27; 8-Day Directed Retreat - August 19-27 - *Please note that you can take a shorter retreat within these dates (i.e. 2-day, 3-day, 4-day, etc.) - contact [registration@ignatiusquelfh.ca](http://registration@ignatiusquelfh.ca); Ignatius & Teilhard Weekend Retreat - September 10-12. Register by email: [registration@ignatiusquelfh.ca](mailto:registration@ignatiusquelfh.ca) or by calling 519 824 1250 ext 266. Ignatius Jesuit Centre 5420 Hwy 6 N, Guelph, ON N1H 6J2 [ignatiusquelfh.ca](http://ignatiusquelfh.ca)*

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? **The solution is Retrouvaille** - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. Retrouvaille is offering their weekends by zoom

offering more possibilities for engagement. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email [teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:teamrecine@gmail.com).

Catechetical Correspondence Courses - Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through to High School who are not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools is also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Christina in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2239 or check out the Diocesan website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on Faith Formation and Liturgy for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.

**\* In the Community \***

Sheatre's - "**Wrinkles**" – their most recent project.

They are looking for Indigenous senior volunteers (55+) to join their communications team. "Wrinkles" is a radio style drama created with the goal of raising awareness about elder abuse in Indigenous communities. The communications team will have a wide array of tasks, ranging from podcast production and promotion to raising awareness on this issue, and all based on one’s skills and interests. Tasks: Participants will do a little bit of everything, and have fun doing it. Assist with the production and recording; Promote the podcast; Speak to groups about Elder Abuse. Honoraria will be paid to participants at a rate of \$10/hour for approximately 228 hours. Time Commitment: July 2021 – March 2022. Contact: Joan Chandler, Artistic Director: Phone: (519) 534-3039; or email: [sheatre@sheatre.com](mailto:sheatre@sheatre.com) Check out their website here: [www.sheatre.com](http://www.sheatre.com)



For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for – Madelyn van Veen, Kathleen Walsh, Collin Rier, Phyllis Cooper, Barry Beatty, Jean Wheeler, Marc Hilker, Ann Loisel, Marilyn Schinbein, Mike Adams, Pat McIntyre, Paul Baggett, Lynn Gilmour, and Brenda Richter, **We pray to the Lord.**



**Donations received in the week of July 4, 2021**

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