St. Mary of The Assumption and Missions

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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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Meetings 1st Wed. of the month

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Owen Sound:	Monday-Friday Tuesday, Thursday	
Sauble Beach: (Apr-Oct)	1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month	7:00 pm
Hepworth: (Nov-Mar)	1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month	7:00 pm
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

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Ècole St-Dominique-Savio

519-371-0627

St. Basil's School

519-376-9370

Notre Dame Catholic School

519-371-0161

St. Mary's High School

519-376-4278

Welcome to your new parish! You will find registration forms in the pews. Fill one out and drop it in the collection basket.



Every 2nd Monday – 7:30 pm; Mass: 7:00 pm GRAND KNIGHT Dave Whelan – 519-377-5169 email: daveandsuewhelan@yahoo.ca INSURANCE AGENT Carlos Diaz – 519-500-0947



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



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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2020



October 12 - 18

Mon 9:00 am - Rajkumar Mohan (Int) Private Masses: Natasha Rankin (Int) Karen Luebs (Int) Tue 9:00 am – Sasha Romanowich (Int) Private Mass – Anne Elliott + 7:00 pm – Special Intention Wed 9:00 am-Joan Tod (Int) Private Mass: John McDonald (Int) 7:00 pm – SB – Charlotte & Peter Ruth (Int) Thu 9:00 am – Rikhi Mohan (Int) Private Mass: Private Intention 7:00 pm – Allan & Pat Gordanier (Int) Fri 9:00 am – the O'Brien Family (Int) Private Masses: Thanksgiving; Lillian Callen (Int) Saturday – October 17 9:30 am - Lion's Head - Larry Beauchamp +, Ron Semenuk + and Real St-Jalais + 11:30 am – Tobermory - Mass 5:00 pm – Owen Sound – Kevin & Kathy Quinn (50th Wedding Anniversary) 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 18 9:00 am Owen Sound - Pro Populo Chatsworth - Theo Huitema + Sauble Beach - Irene & Rita Rudolph + 11:00 am Owen Sound - Michael O'Neill + Meaford - Raquel Lamrock + Wiarton - Julius & Catharina van Aalst + 1:00 pm Cape Croker – Mass 3:00 pm Latin Mass

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

- MonFr. Leszek SzczygielTueFr. David WeiseWedChancery StaffThuFr. Tim HingstonFriFr. Pablito LabadoSatFr. Philip Reilly
- * Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick: Available upon request

The Mask Debatea woman's perspectiveWhen the whole COVID-19 pandemic first reared its ugly
head in Canada, I went around saying, I'm not afraid of this
disease, I'm a healthy person, bring it on. Then the nightly
news began to build with horror stories – numbers soared,
death totals climbed. There was so much uncertainty in the
beginning – what were the actual symptoms; what were the
effective practices to follow?

As time went on and we learned more about this disease, my opinion changed. I was still unafraid of contracting the

coronavirus, but I began to appreciate how devastating it would be if I were to pass it along to someone far more vulnerable. That's when my attitude toward safety measures turned 180°

Masks were an indecisive issue in the beginning and, to be fair, no one knew a lot at that time. Government officials and chief medical officers were flying by the seat of their pants; uncertain as to which direction to turn. Masks were not effective, then they were, then there were conflicting opinions and then it was decided that wearing a mask would not protect the person wearing it, but it would protect those with whom that person came into contact. That was good enough for me, and a very small price to pay for keeping those around me safe.

My sister Joan, 77 years old and a real fire cracker, hates wearing a mask, feels it's a violation of her rights, while my 73 year old sister lectures her on how, if she wears a seatbelt while driving, to protect herself, she should wear a mask while attending Mass, to protect those around her. I'd think that Joan, a devout Catholic, would embrace this, but she would argue that we must have faith that God will look after us; the outcome is ultimately God's will. Yes, of course it is, but God also looks after us by putting measures in place to protect us, and he does expect us to do our part.

We are all called to care for our neighbor, protecting them in this way is such a small thing; it just makes sense to me.

Margery Frisch

*In the Parish *

Safety Measures for Returning to Church: Given the number of restrictions still in place, Bishop Crosby has extended his dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass for those who may feel uncomfortable to attend at this point. Please make your own decision in this regard. Anyone who is feeling sick or who has travelled outside the country in the last 14 days is asked not to come to church. Our weekend Masses are offered in Lion's Head, Tobermory, Owen Sound, Meaford, Chatsworth, Sauble Beach and Wiarton.

We will be following the safety protocol while at church, as has been outlined in Bishop Crosby's letter to parishioners. Here are a few highlights in summary form:

- 1. **Mask wearing is mandatory**; and when you arrive at the church doors you will be greeted by one of our ushers who will invite you to sanitize your hands
- 2. You'll be asked to sit in such a way as to respect the social distancing rule of 2 meters. Members of the same household do not have to follow that rule and can sit together. Wearing safety masks is encouraged, and we will have some available for those who need them.
- 3. All printed materials have been removed from the pews: hymnals, Sunday missals, etc. there will be no singing by the congregation.
- 4. There will be no lectors or extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion during this time. The priest will be the only one in the sanctuary.
- 5. When coming up for Holy Communion, social distancing of 2 meters will be observed. One side

of the church will come up for Communion, in a single row, and then the other side.

- 6. Before reaching the priest the mask will be lowered, and Communion is to be offered, in the hand only, without any exchange of words between the priest and the communicant.
- 7. Collection is to be placed in the baskets on the way out of church, and there should be no socializing with one another before or after Mass.
- 8. Printed bulletins will not be available, instead parishioners will be able to view the bulletin on our website.
- 9. Confession will not be offered before or after Mass, but we continue to offer Confession by appointment in a drive-thru format.

I hope that all these steps undertaken by our churches will provide extra protection for our parishioners and their loved ones. Please follow these as best as you can. I hope to see you soon as we return to a somewhat normal church practice.

In Jesus and Mary, *Fr. Wojciech Kuzma*

Kidney Clothes – the bin at St. Mary's, Owen Sound, was removed a while ago and now the Kidney Clothes bins at St. Vincent's, Meaford, and St. Thomas Aquinas, Wiarton will be removed during the last week of October. We thank you for supporting these efforts, they were a financial boost for our parish, but the Kidney Foundation is removing the bins for their own reasons.

Holy Honey - Fr. Wojtek, with help from friends, has



harvested honey from his hive here at St. Mary's. Make a \$20 donation to the building fund and receive a jar of this liquid gold as a thank you. Available at the parish office, during office hours.

RCIA - This program is designed to assist adults who wish to learn more about the Catholic faith and possibly become Catholic. If you are interested, feel free to join us on Thursday evenings from 7 pm – 8 pm. We will continue the meetings every Thursday evening for about 7 months, beginning with Mass 7pm-7:30pm. This is when we invite you to pray with us. The latter 30 minutes of the evening will be devoted to a teaching presentation on different aspects of our Catholic faith. No need to register, just come if you like. We will meet at St. Mary's Church, or join us through live stream on our website.

First Communion is open to children who have already registered and who have already made their First Reconciliation earlier this year. Here is the schedule of meetings which will take place at St. Mary's church:

Saturday, October 17 at 9:30am-10:30am — Lesson 1 and practice

Saturday, October 24 at 9:30am10:30am — Lesson 2 and rehearsal

Saturday, October 31 at 9:30am and 11:30am - First Communion MASS

We may have 2 First Communion Masses on the same day, to allow proper social distancing in the church. We will

assign which Mass time each child will attend during our October 17th meeting.

* In the Diocese *

A Special Mass – at Mass on Saturday, October 10th, we honour all who died in our Diocese during the COVID shutdown. You can find the list of names on our website.

A Special Collection – Because of the COVID-19 shutdown, many of the organizations we normally contribute to, during Lent and the Easter Season, were missed. **Next** weekend we will have a special collection. Envelopes are available today and can be returned next Sunday. All funds raised from this collection will support the following charities, based on the percentages from last year's collections: Share Lent; the Pope's Pastoral Works; Holy Land (Good Friday); Cura Pastorum Association (Care for retired priests); Needs of the Church in Canada; and World Mission Sunday. Thank you in advance for your kindness and generosity.

Catechetical Correspondence Course: Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out our website at <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u> and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.

Experiencing Stress in Your Marriage? Thinking about Separation or Divorce? –Retrouvaille is designed to help marriages regain their health. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Oct. 23, 2020. Please call 905-664-5212 or email: <u>Teamrecine@gmail.com</u> or visit the website at <u>www.retrouvaille.org</u>.

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members

who are in need of our prayers: for – Rosaleen Engel, Brenda Richter, Maynard Dietrich and Bradley Bishop, **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 September, we will begin our list anew.

Donations received from October 3 /4, 2020			
Owen Sound	\$ 5,319		
Sauble Beach	1,087		
Meaford	823		
Wiarton	Not available at this time		
Chatsworth	439		
Hepworth	173		
Tobermory	462		
Lion's Head	564		
	\$ 8,867		
Weekly	cost to run the parish \$11,734		
God	bless you for your generosity.		

