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WEEKDAY MASSES

Sauble Beach: 1st, 3rd, 5th 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.

Tuesday, Thursday 7:00 pm

1st, 3rd, 5th Wed. of the month 7:00 pm

2nd, 4th Wed. of the month 7:00 pm



St. Mary of the Assumption

Owen Sound

Saturday 5:00 pm

St. Vincent, Meaford Sunday 11:00 am



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



St. Mark, Lions Head Saturday 9:30 am

President Maggie Lutz

519-376-9557

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519-376-4496

Meetings

1st Wed. of the month

CATHOLIC

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OF CANADA

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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



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



Meetings: Every 2nd Monday – 7:30 pm;

26th **Sunday in Ordinary Time** September 27, 2020



Sept 28 - Oct 4

Mon **9:00 am** – Alexander Hall (Int) Private Masses: Holy Souls;

Laurie & Dianne McKenna (Int)

Tue 9:00 am – Shantie Sitahal (Int)
Private Mass – Tillie Maine (Int)
7:00 pm – Agnes Gibb (Int)

Wed 9:00 am-John Lewis +

Private Mass: Unannounced Intention 7:00 pm – SB – Helen Hunter (Int) Thu 9:00 am – Ben Corkery (Int)

Private Mass: Thanksgiving

7:00 pm – Allan & Pat Gordanier (Int)
Fri 9:00 am – Bernadette Lewis (Int)

Private Masses: Holy Souls in Purgatory;

Special Intention

Saturday - October 3

5:00 pm – Owen Sound – James John Haas + Private Masses: In Honor of God Our Father; Fred Fries +

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 4 9:00 am Owen Sound – Mark Strong + Chatsworth – Corinne Norwood (Int) Sauble Beach – Pro Populo

11:00 am Owen Sound – Sarah Brown (Int)

Meaford – Harold & Marie Jones +

Wiarton – Janina Lepietusko +

1:00 pm Cape Croker - Mass

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

Mon Fr. Mark Morley
Tue Fr. George Nowak

Wed Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate

Thu Fr. Ireneusz Koziak Fri Fr. William Trusz Sat Fr. Mariusz Durbajlo

* Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick: Available upon request

From the Pastor's Desk:

COVID-19 has forced us to change the way we interact, by implementing social distancing and proper hygiene. More of us stay home these days, as we try to be respectful citizens and responsible during these difficult times. Churches had to find new ways to connect with people, and we have certainly tried our best to offer ways to still come together as a parish, through online activity. Thankfully, we have been allowed to

have Mass, even as we continue to follow safety

guidelines when attending church or parish office. It looks like these measures will be in place for a while longer, especially as we try to navigate through the flu season. I would like to encourage all of our parishioner to have a positive outlook at the new ways we are doing things. Even as it is difficult for us to come together, because we are offering more things online this allows members of our mission churches to join us. Perhaps we can look at this time as a special opportunity to come together as a parish, given that the distance is not an issue if we are gathering online. The way things look right now, we are only able to come together for the most essential things. For this reason I would like to make more of our programs available online. This will allow us not only to stay safe, but also to have parishioners from further away ioining us from the comfort of their home. Starting in October we will resume our Catechism teachings on Thursday nights from 7:30pm-8:00pm. This will be live streamed on our parish's YouTube channel, and as you join in you will be invited to write questions in the comments section which will be answered at the end of each session. This Catechism series will also be used for RCIA candidates who are preparing for reception into the Catholic Church on Easter. I hope you can join us. I have more ideas about ways for us to connect, but more on that next week.

Fr. Wojtek Kuzma

*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 will be offered in Owen Sound, Meaford, Chatsworth, Sauble Beach and Wiarton, at this time.

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:

- When you arrive at the church doors you will be greeted by one of our ushers who will nvite you to sanitize your hands
- 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

Please Note: Reaching the parish by email – the email address has changed from smm@bmts.com to stmaryowensound@hamiltondiocese.com

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.

Life Chain - A prayerful Vigil. Next Sunday, October 4th, 2:00 - 3:00 pm. At the Post office corners - 9th Street & 3rd Ave. East,

Owen Sound. Stand for those who have no voice.



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 will 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.

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 starting on **October 1**st, 7 pm - 8 pm. We will continue the meetings every Thursday evening for

about 7 months. The evening will begin 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.

* In the Diocese *

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 www.hamiltondiocese.com 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: Teamrecine@gmail.com or visit the website at www.retrouvaille.org.

Struggling After an Abortion? Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members who are in need of our prayers: for — 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 September 19 / 20, 2020	
Owen Sound	\$14,776
Sauble Beach	938
Meaford	687
Wiarton	680
Chatsworth	444
Hepworth	173
Tobermory	162
Lion's Head	134
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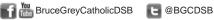
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