



St. Mary Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows Roman Catholic Church

56 Duke Street West, Kitchener ON N2H 3W7

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Welcome to St. Mary's Parish!

No matter who you are or where you're from, we extend you a warm welcome and hope that you feel at home. For information on registration and to find out how you can get more involved with parish activities, please contact us at:

Phone: 519-576-3860

Email: stmarys@rogers.com

Website: www.stmarysrcchurch.ca

Our Parish Team

Fr. Toby Collins, C.R. – Pastor
Fr. Raphael Ma, C.R. – Associate Pastor
Fr. Paul Szymanowski, C.R. – Priest in Residence
Penny Laurette – Administrative Assistant
Robert Tasse – Music Director
Amy Cyr – Chef, Kitchen Project Manager
Andrew Zettel – Outreach Coordinator
Andrew Olinski – Caretaker

Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Friday: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm

Parish Outreach

Are you interested in getting involved? Do you have ideas about how we might better serve our neighbours? If so, please contact Andrew Zettel, our Outreach Coordinator at

andrewz.stmarys@gmail.com.

St. Vincent de Paul

For assistance with groceries and other needs call 226-988-5915 Monday - Friday, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. For information on volunteering, please email Don McClure at don@teambilton.com.



Sunday Masses

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday – Friday: 12:00 noon
(See inside for any possible changes)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Thursdays: 11:30 – 11:50 am
Saturday: 4:00 – 4:30 pm

Eucharistic Adoration & Rosary

Adoration: Tuesday after Mass until 1:00 pm
Rosary: Wednesday after noon Mass

Baptism and Marriage

Please email the parish office at least 6 months before the required date for details.

Visits to the Sick

Please contact the parish office to arrange for Holy Communion and Sacrament of the Sick.

Tiny Home Takeout

Everyone deserves a great meal! Visit us Tuesday – Saturday from 5:00 – 6:30 pm and 'grab a bite, give if you can'. Visit tinychometakeout.com or email tinychometakeout@gmail.com for more information.



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Mass Schedule and Intentions

April 23 - 28, 2024

TUESDAY – ferial

Acts 11.19-26 John 10.22-30

12 noon For the Intentions of Rhea Regimbal

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm

WEDNESDAY – ferial

Acts 12.24-13.5a John 12.44-50

12 noon For the Intentions of the Damaren Family

12:30 pm Rosary

THURSDAY – St. Mark

1 Peter 5.5b-14 Mark 16.15-20

11:30 am Confessions until 11:50 am

12 noon †Betty Maxwell

FRIDAY – ferial

Acts 13.26-33 John 14.1-6

12 noon †Sergio Matessich

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 9.26-31 1 John 3.18-24 John 15.1-8

SATURDAY

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

**5:00 pm †Lydia Roussy, †John David Burke,
†Jeanne Robinson, For the Intentions of
Peter Vicente & Family**

SUNDAY

8:30 am For Our Parishioners

11:00 am †Lloyd Walter

ITEMS NEEDED

Tiny Home Takeout is still in need of **men's and women's hoodies, jackets and rain gear and men's shoes size 8 & 11-13 and men's small pants** for our unsheltered friends. Please drop them off in the bin at the back of the church by the bulletin board. Thank you!



PICTURE OF THE WEEK

The meatball calzone continues to make people smile! Fr. Toby and many helpers have made over 10,000 meatballs for the month of April to try and keep up with the demand. Make sure you come to Tiny Home Takeout early any Tuesday - Saturday from 5 - 6:30 pm if you want to enjoy one. Last day is April 27th and then they're gone!



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



Greetings and blessings dear ladies! We invite you to join us this **Sunday, April 21st following 11 am Mass**, for a fun craft, painting an inspirational rock and reminding us of our faith and reasons for being a Catholic Women's League member!! In honour of our Patroness, Our Lady of Good Counsel, there will be special prayers, commemorating Her Feast Day, April 26th! Looking forward to seeing you and sharing with each of you Fellowship, Friendship and Prayer!

ROSES FOR LIFE



The Kitchener Knights of Columbus will be participating in the national campaign called **Roses for Life** on the **weekend of May 4th/ 5th**. This annual event is held in May to coincide with others, honouring Our Blessed Lady. Funds raised are used to increase awareness of the Culture of Life and other Pro-Life issues. A member of the Knights of Columbus will be available after all Masses that weekend to distribute embroidered roses as a symbol of your support.

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN...

CATHOLIC AMIGOS

Burger & Fries Party

Calling all Catholic Amigos! Our next event is **Tuesday, April 23rd at 7 pm (note date correction)**. We'll meet at the gate between the church and rectory. It's a burger & fries party with a video and conversation on the topic 'I'm Catholic ...am I NORMAL?'. Get your thinking caps on, 'cause we're also playing a round of TRIVIA! New members are always welcome! See you there!

SUNDAY COFFEE SOCIAL



Come join us downstairs in the hall for coffee, tea, juice & cookies after **Sunday morning Masses, next weekend April 28th**. It's a great opportunity to meet some new friends and reconnect with folks in our parish. There will be cookies

offered for takeout after 5 pm Mass on Saturday, April 27th. If you'd like to help organize and serve at parish social events, please email Andrew Zettel at andrewz.stmarys@gmail.com.

INVITATION TO CR'S COME & SEE DAY



How do I discern a vocation to Religious Life? If you're looking to understand God's plan for you, join us for the 'Come and See' day retreat on **Saturday, May 25th** here at St. Mary's. This retreat offers a chance to join community prayers, engage in discussions with three Resurrectionists, and meet other young people on a similar journey. For further details, please visit <https://resurrectionists.ca/vocations/come-see/>

RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE



To what does God call? Fr. Peter Semenenko CR, the Co-Founder of the Resurrectionists, answers, "the individual is called to give himself to God completely, without restriction, and since this is a most sublime act, it must also be completely free". In responding to our vocation, we simply entrust ourselves entirely into the hands of Jesus, our Good Shepherd. If you are wondering how to discern if God is calling you to religious life, consider joining us for a Come and See Day. Fr. Pawel Szymanowski CR; <https://resurrectionists.ca/vocations/come-see>

LOAVES & LAUGHTER BREAD NIGHT



A night of baking and fun for everyone! **Fridays from 7 - 9 pm** in the church hall (enter by the elevator). Bring a friend and a bowl for mixing. Free event and free parking in the church lot. No registration needed!

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Princess Twin Cinema, Waterloo **SPECIAL FILM PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION**

A homegrown response to the UN's World Press Freedom Day theme "**Journalism in the face of the Environmental Crisis**" is a special film and panel discussion event on **Sunday, April 28th, from 1 – 4 pm**. Admission is \$20 at the door. Parishioners and church members are especially invited because of our understanding of Creation as a gift from God to be cherished and defended from abuse. This event is mounted by local journalists, many of whom are friends of the local Christian and Interfaith communities. Details and advance tickets are available from <https://www.ink-stainedwretches.org/film-festival.html>



**Catholic Education Week
2024 begins on Sunday, May
5th.** The Catholic schools in
our parish will engage in a

series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to learn about the various celebrations that are happening in your children's school, and are welcome to attend, if possible. This year's Catholic Education Week theme is, "*We are called to love*", and is grounded in our Holy Scriptures: "*If we love one another, God lives in us.*" (1 John 4:12). With joyful anticipation of the Jubilee Year of 2025, we are inspired by Pope Francis announcing the theme of "*Pilgrims of Hope.*" With open hearts of love, we can continue to "*fan the flame of hope*" for a bright future.

St. Agnes Parish, Waterloo

2,000 HAIL MARY'S DEVOTION TO THE BVM

Saturday, May 11th. The day begins at 7:30 am, and we anticipate the devotion will finish by 7:30 pm. Join us for all or part of the day. For information contact Marilynne at canadianrosarybrigade@gmail.com

350TH ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE TO QUEBEC

This year marks the 350th Anniversary of the founding of the Catholic Church in Canada, with the establishment of the Archdiocese of Quebec. To mark this occasion, a Diocesan pilgrimage has been planned to take place from July 13 - July 17th, 2024.

The pilgrimage will include a visit to the Cathedral Basilica of Notre Dame in Quebec City and the Holy Door, visits to the sites made famous by the saintly founders of the Canadian Church, visits to St. Anne de Beaupré, Notre-Dame-du-Cap in Trois Rivières, Notre Dame Basilica and St. Joseph's Oratory in Montreal. The five-day pilgrimage will include guided tours exploring Quebec's religious and cultural heritage and will be led by Monsignor Murray Kroetsch, Vicar General and Chancellor of the Diocese of Hamilton.

Registration deadline is April 30th. For more information, please contact Matthew Trafford at the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis 905-528-7988, x 2339 or email:

<mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com>

St. Anthony Daniel Church Parking Lot, Kitchener



Signs of spring, the snow is gone, the robins are back, the umpire hollers "Play Ball" and the return of the very popular Kitchener Knights of Columbus Annual Great Big Spring Clean-up. Set to go on **Saturday, May 4th from 8:30 am - 1 pm**. Bring your discarded and unwanted electronics and scrap metal. We will be collecting all your old electronics, televisions, computers, laptops and cellphones. Bring your scrap metal, including copper, stainless steel and brass. You can pick up a bottle of the delicious Knights of Columbus locally produced maple syrup and the ever popular Girl Guide cookies. Aid the Knights by helping to raise the funds for local charities. For further information contact: Dave Hudder: [519-575-3614](tel:519-575-3614)---hudderconnie3@gmail.com or Reinhart Schreiter: 519-570-3469---rkschreiter@hotmail.com