



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

56 Duke Street West, Kitchener ON N2H 3W7

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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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
Deacon Richard Olson
Penny Laurette – Administrative Assistant
Robert Tasse – Music Director
Amy Cyr – Chef, Kitchen Project Manager
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 the parish office at stmarys@rogers.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

Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage Hours

As a designated Pilgrimage Site, St. Mary's will be open for special pilgrimage hours during the Jubilee Year of Hope in 2025. Tuesday's from 1:00 – 3:00 pm and Thursday's from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

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

January 28 – February 2, 2025

TUESDAY – St. Thomas Aquinas

Hebrews 10.1-10 Mark 3.31-35

12:00 pm For the Intentions of Brian Kroetsch

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1 pm

1:00 pm Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage Hours until 3 pm

WEDNESDAY - ferial

Hebrews 10.11-18 Mark 4.1-20

12:00 pm For The Intentions of Bob Watson

12:30 pm Rosary

THURSDAY - ferial

Hebrews 10.19-25 Mark 4.21-25

9:00 am Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage Hours until 12 pm

11:30 am Confession until 11:50 am

12:00 pm For the Intentions of Catherine Mackid

FRIDAY – St. John Bosco

Hebrews 10.32-39 Mark 4.25-34

12:00 pm †Jeyakumar Shirivani & †Puspa Natho

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Malachi 3.1-4 Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18++ Luke 2.22-40

SATURDAY

**5:00 pm †Corazon Monta Abella, †Michael Fisher,
†Helma Berschl, For the Intentions of
Lulu Regimbal, For All Priests & Nuns**

SUNDAY

8:30 am For Our Parishioners

11:00 am †Domenico Mirotta

PIC OF THE WEEK

The croissants were a hit! We had a great time making them from scratch last Friday and sharing our uplifting stories of hope. Always lots of laughter too! Hope to see you any Friday at "Loaves and Laughter" starting at 7 pm in the Church Hall.



ITEMS NEEDED



We are still in need of **men's mitts and gloves and men's and women's winter coats and boots**. Bring them down to the church hall between 10 am – 7 pm Tuesday to Saturday or put them in the bin at the back of the church. Your generous donations are what keeps our resource room open and available for the most vulnerable of our neighbours.

SHARE THE HOPE!



Please consider a donation to abettertentcity.org to help the homeless find safe shelter and community. Thank you!

2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



This is the last weekend that envelopes will be available for pick up at the back of the church! If you would like to begin using envelopes or if you are presently using envelopes and have any changes to your address or other information, please contact the parish office as soon as possible so we can update our records. **Please DO NOT use 2024 or previous years' envelopes** as numbers have changed. Thank you.

2024 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS



Receipts are available at the back of the church. They are in alphabetical order for your convenience. **PLEASE take yours whether you need it or not.** Any receipts not picked up by February 16th will have to be mailed. Help us save postage costs! Thank you.

LOAVES & LAUGHTER

Join us on **Friday nights at 7 pm in the church hall** to bake artisan bread. This is a FREE, weekly, all ages activity. We share great stories and funny moments, while growing together as a community. C'mon out and give it a try!

COFFEE SUNDAY!



Join us downstairs in the church hall for coffee, tea, juice & cookies **after the Sunday morning Masses this weekend.** It's a great opportunity to meet some new friends & reconnect with folks in our parish. There will be

cookies offered for takeout after the 5 pm Mass this Saturday. If you'd like to help organize and serve at parish social events, please email the parish office stmarys@rogers.com.

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN...

CATHOLIC AMIGOS

Soup for the Soul



Tuesday, January 28th at 7 pm. Calling all Catholics in their 20's and 30's! You are invited to help us figure out the answer for "What's up with wellness?". We'll see you in the parish hall and will dine on soup for the soul.

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



Sunday, February 2nd. The traditional ceremony for the blessing of candles will be at the beginning of all Masses. If you have candles that you wish to have blessed, please bring them to any of the Sunday Masses next weekend.

FEAST OF ST. BLAISE



As this Feast falls on a Monday this year, those who wish to have their throats blessed may come forward **after any of the Sunday Masses next weekend February 1st/2nd.**

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



On December 15th our CWL council voted to disband effective December 31st, 2024. While this decision was not made lightly by those who attended the meeting, we offer our heartfelt gratitude for the countless ways they have served our parish community over many decades. For those of you who wish to continue being a member of the CWL you may consider transferring your membership to another Parish Council where you can continue to strengthen the League's mission and ensure its future vitality.

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RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE



Luke highlights that Jesus returns to Galilee filled with the Holy Spirit, ready to begin His ministry. Similarly, we are invited to let the Spirit shape our hearts, drawing us into

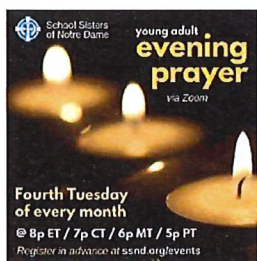
holiness and service. Discerning your vocation means asking: Where is the Holy Spirit leading me to share Christ's good news? Will you answer that invitation with trust and courage? Fr. Pawel Szymanowski, CR; resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

This Third Sunday of Ordinary Time marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. This year, within the context of the Jubilee, we celebrate the Sacred Scriptures as a great source of hope for all the faithful. The Diocese of Hamilton has prepared a variety of resources for youth and adults. Visit

hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/ for more information

YOUNG ADULT EVENING PRAYER



Young adults ages 18-45 are invited to pray online together with members of the School Sisters of Notre Dame, North American Vocation Team, other sisters and young adults from across the U.S. and Canada,

on Tuesday, January 28th from 7 - 8 pm Central Time (8-9 pm Eastern Time) via Zoom. Experience evening prayer in the gentle rhythm of the Liturgy of the Hours (psalms, scripture and intercessions), with time for faith sharing in breakout groups. Please register in advance for the Zoom link at <https://ssnd.org/events/>. For questions, please contact sisters@ssnd.org.

In Front of Kitchener City Hall (skating rink)

CANDLE-LIGHT PRAYER VIGIL

Tuesday, January 28th at 5 pm for 1 hour. Please see the poster on the bulletin boards. For additional information contact Jane at 519-746-5433.

St. Anthony Daniel Church, Kitchener

THOMAS TOAST

The Communio Circle of the Diocese of Hamilton invites you to our annual Thomas Toast event on **Tuesday, January 28th starting with Mass on the Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas at 7 pm.** At 7:30 pm we will gather in the hall for a social with food and a talk prior to the toast by Fr. Mark Morley, Vocations Director, Diocese of Hamilton. For more information visit: communiohamiltondiocese.org, or contact Fr. Mark Morley: mmorley@communiohamiltondiocese.org, or Deacon Charles Fernandes: 519-923-0454.

The Chancery Office, Hamilton or ZOOM

RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIVE

Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person or by ZOOM. Register for the sessions here: <https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home>, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com. We look forward to seeing you!

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ALPHA 2025

Thursday evenings, February 20th - May 1st, 6:30 - 9:15 pm. Alpha is an 11-week program that brings adults together for conversations about life, faith and Jesus. It's an opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed setting. We start each session with a delicious home-made meal. After dinner, we watch a video and then break into small groups to ask questions, share thoughts and explore answers. All are welcome! For more information or to sign up, please contact Ron Denomme at stmarkalpha@gmail.com or 226-748-3210.