



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

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## **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](mailto:stmarys@rogers.com)**

**Website: [www.stmarysrcchurch.ca](http://www.stmarysrcchurch.ca)**

## **Our Parish Team**

Fr. Toby Collins, C.R. – Pastor  
Fr. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R. – Assisting Priest  
Penny Laurette – Administrative Assistant  
Robert Tasse – Music Director  
Tony D'Amato Stortz – Outreach Coordinator  
Amy Cyr – Chef, Kitchen Project Manager  
Andrew Olinski – Caretaker  
Nadine Green – A Better Tent City Site Coordinator

## **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 Tony at [tonys.stmarys@gmail.com](mailto:tonys.stmarys@gmail.com).

## **St. Vincent de Paul**

For assistance with groceries and other needs call 226-988-5915 weekdays, from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. For information on volunteering, please email Don McClure at [don@teambilton.com](mailto:don@teambilton.com).

## **Sunday Masses**

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

## **Weekday Masses**

Tuesday – Friday: 12:00 noon

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Thursdays: 11:30 – 11:50 am  
Saturday: 4:00 – 4:30 pm  
and by appointment

## **Eucharistic Adoration**

Thursday after Mass until 1:00 pm

## **Baptism and Marriage**

Please email the parish office for details.

## **Visits to the Sick**

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

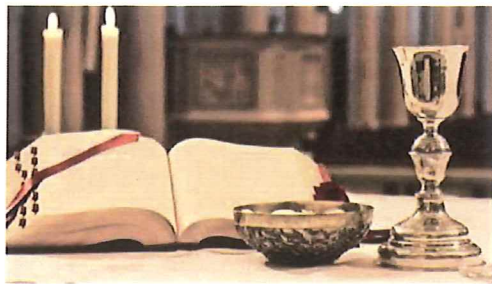
## **Tiny Home Takeout**

Everyone deserves a great meal, free of charge. Visit us Tuesday – Saturday from 5 – 6:30 pm and 'grab a bite, give if you can'! Visit [tinyhometakeout.com](http://tinyhometakeout.com) for more information.



## MASS INTENTIONS

### September 28 – October 3, 2021



#### **Tuesday – St. Matthew**

Ephesians 4.1-7, 11-13 Matthew 9.9-13

**12:00 pm For the Intentions of the Staff of St. Mary's**

#### **Wednesday – ferial**

Ezra 9.5-9 Luke 9.1-6

**12:00 pm For All the Residents of A Better Tent City**

#### **Thursday – St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)**

Haggai 1.1-8 Luke 9.7-9

11:30 am Confession until 11:50 am

**12:00 pm That the Truth of Residential Schools be  
Heard and For Healing and Reconciliation**

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm

#### **Friday – ferial**

Haggai 2.1-9 Luke 9.18-22

**12:00 pm For All Benefactors of St. Mary's**

#### **Saturday – ferial**

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

#### **TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Numbers 11.25-29 James 5.1-6 Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48

**5:00 pm †Sr. Anne Rektor, SSND, †Carol DeVilliers**

#### **Sunday**

**8:30 am For Our Parishioners**

**11:00 am For the Intentions of Ed Sikora**

#### **OFFERTORY – September 18/19, 2021**

Sunday Envelopes & Loose	\$3,930.00
Building Fund	\$200.00
Debt Fund	\$65.00
Needs of the Canadian Church	\$210.00
Cura Pastorum	\$5.00
Mission Appeal	\$5.00

***Thank you to all our Parishioners, Visitors and  
Benefactors for your generous support!***

## **NATIONAL DAY OF TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30<sup>th</sup>**



What is it?

In recognition of the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30<sup>th</sup>, St. Mary's has partnered with Anishnabeg Outreach, a local non-profit that "provides Indigenous people with access to culturally appropriate services and strives to support individuals with direction and assistance to overcome barriers." (Source: <https://aocan.org/about-us/>)

Through our partnership, St. Mary's is raising funds to directly support beading skills training for Indigenous people so they can become self-employed artisans. Our goal is to sponsor 10 Indigenous people in our community. To do this, we need to raise \$1,500. Every \$150 raised covers the cost of training and enablement of one Indigenous person to learn this culturally appropriate and profitable handicraft.

We hope and pray that this initiative born of the partnership between St. Mary's and Anishnabeg Outreach will be the first of many. We aspire to grow and deepen the relationship between us on a foundation of ongoing support and mutual respect.

In addition to our fundraising efforts, St. Mary's will make orange ribbons available to parishioners and visitors to our church. These ribbons are worn to demonstrate and help raise awareness of the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation and the history and current realities of colonization and its impacts on Indigenous people and their ancestors. An explanation of the use of the colour orange and the symbolism of the orange T-shirt is posted on our Facebook page.

How does it help?

We know that many of St. Mary's parishioners and extended community members are eager to find ways to make a positive impact on the lives of Indigenous people here in Block Two of the Haldimand Tract (Kitchener-Waterloo). By sponsoring culturally appropriate skills development for Indigenous people through our partner, Anishnabeg Outreach, those giving donations are investing directly in the livelihoods of those most in need.



Ribbon-based awareness campaigns have become a powerful way to raise awareness and show support for a variety of issues. We believe that wearing orange ribbons will help to raise awareness about the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation and the colonial history that necessitates this new Federal day of reflection. The ribbons are an outward symbol of an individual's awareness and support as well as an object to spark conversations with those who are unaware.

### CONCERNED LAY CATHOLICS



Concerned Lay Catholics is an organization that has formed in light of the sexual abuse scandal that has damaged the credibility of the Catholic Church's witness. Their mission is to respond to the

Canadian Catholic Bishops' call for healing, reconciliation and transformation to revitalize the Church through new, more collaborative forms of ministry.

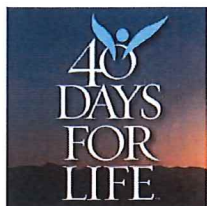
They do this by promoting healing and reconciliation for abuse survivors; empowering lay leadership and addressing clericalism; fostering transparency and accountability; engaging and collaborating with like-minded individuals and groups who share this vision. Please consider learning more about the good work they are doing.

Their website is: <https://concernedlaycatholics.ca>

Their newsletter can be found at:

<https://mailchi.mp/.../concerned-lay-catholics-notes-from...>

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE



September 22<sup>nd</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup>. Join us in prayer and witness for the weakest members of our Nation, the unborn. We will stand across from Freeport Hospital where abortions are performed, from 7 am to 7 pm

daily. To register for hours call 519-748-5548 or visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/kitchener> or email [paddym@golden.net](mailto:paddym@golden.net). Thank you for your prayers and support of the unborn.

### KITCHENER PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

The eighth annual "Rosary Rally" is planned to take place at the Victoria Park Clock Tower (field next to it) on Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-3:00 pm. There are a few parking spots on David St. next to the field near the Tower. Unfortunately, there are no longer any parking spots on Joseph St. near the Tower.

Last year, on October 10<sup>th</sup>, there were 351 Rosary Rallies throughout Canada organized by "Canada Needs Our Lady". The target for this year is 600 Rosary Rallies throughout Canada.

For more information visit

<https://canadaneedsourlady.org>

### MASS INTENTIONS

To ensure that everyone's desire regarding Mass Intentions is satisfied, you are encouraged to make your requests known as soon as possible. All intentions are on a first come basis. The offering of Mass for special intentions such as wedding anniversaries, for healing, for comfort to those who are sick, for deceased members of family and friends, for personal intentions, in thanksgiving for favours received, for a special intention, etc., is an act of deep faith and a desire to unite oneself with Christ in the mystery of the Eucharist. **Families may request 1 Sunday Mass (8 or 11 am), and any number of Weekday Masses each calendar year.** Multiple Intentions are available on Saturday at 5 pm Mass. Please visit our website and see if your preferred date(s) is available. Thank you.

### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Pre-authorized giving is an option at our parish for your Sunday donations. If you have yet to consider this method of giving, we encourage you to reflect on whether pre-authorized giving is a good option for you. The parish benefits from this method of giving by receiving regular, dependable contributions, by a reduction of paperwork, and in the ability to more effectively plan parish programs and activities. You benefit from the convenience of having your offering automatically contributed to the parish on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of each month and continuing to support the parish even when you are away. Please look for the brochure and authorization form at all doors of the church or contact the parish office for more information.



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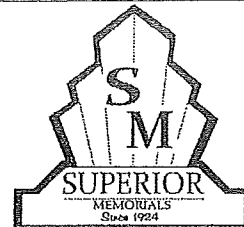
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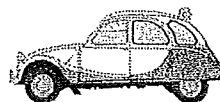
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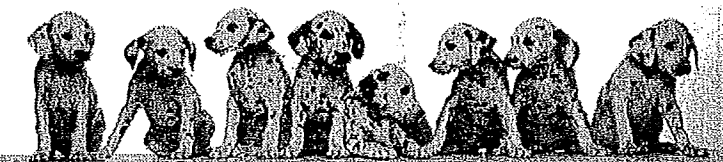
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