



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

56 Duke Street West, Kitchener ON N2H 3W7

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## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

### 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. 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  
Enrique Matute – 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 Enrique at [enriquem.stmarys@gmail.com](mailto:enriquem.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](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  
(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](http://tinychometakeout.com) or email [tinychometakeout@gmail.com](mailto:tinychometakeout@gmail.com) for more information.



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## Mass Schedule and Intentions

**January 14 - 19, 2025**

### **TUESDAY - ferial**

Hebrews 1.1-6 Mark 1.14-20

#### **12:00 pm In Thanksgiving**

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1 pm

1:00 pm Jubilee 2025 Pilgrimage Hours until 3 pm

### **WEDNESDAY - ferial**

Hebrews 2.5-12 Mark 1.21-28

#### **12:00 pm For The Intentions of Sandy Malloy**

12:30 pm Rosary

### **THURSDAY - ferial**

Hebrews 2.14-18 Mark 1.29-39

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 Wladyslaw Szewczyk**

### **FRIDAY - ferial**

Hebrews 3.7-14 Mark 1.40-45

#### **12:00 pm For the Intentions of Marian, Natasha & Meran**

### **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Isaiah 62.1-5 1 Corinthians 12.4-11 John 2.1-12

### **SATURDAY**

**5:00 pm †Jean Visneskie, For the Intentions of Francis Neth, Garry Visneskie, Mathew Paul**

### **SUNDAY**

**8:30 am For Our Parishioners**

**11:00 am †Rene Douglas**

### **PIC OF THE WEEK**

Sister Barbara continues to warm hearts with her healing touch at A Better Tent City. Darren is one of many residents who continue to appreciate the care and while helping to clean, build, and fix things on site as a way for everyone to give back to the community. May God continue to bless these and so many other acts of kindness that help make things better!



### **ITEMS NEEDED**



We are 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.

## PILGRIMAGE HOURS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



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

Pilgrims from all over will be coming to visit St. Mary's for prayer and a special pilgrimage stamp for their prayer booklets. We are looking for volunteers to help with this. If you can spare 2 hours on a Tuesday afternoon and/or 1 ½ to 3 hours on a Thursday morning to be in the church and stamp the pilgrims books, please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church. Thank you!

## 2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES



Envelopes are still 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 will be available next weekend for pick up at the back of the church.

## 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!

## SHARE THE HOPE!



Please consider a donation to [abettertentcity.org](http://abettertentcity.org) to help the homeless find safe shelter and community. Thank you!

## 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 anniversaries, healing, comfort to those who are sick, deceased members of family and friends or 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 (8:30 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.

## RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE



In today's Gospel, the heavens open, and the Father proclaims Jesus as His beloved Son. The Father's words also form the foundation of our vocation. If you're discerning religious life or priesthood, remember that your identity is rooted in the Father's unconditional love. Recognizing that you are also His beloved gives you the strength to trust the steps ahead. How might this understanding help you say 'yes' to God's plan for your life? Fr. Pawel Szymanowski, CR  
[resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com](mailto:resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com)

## SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

The 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 Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for youth and adults. Visit our website for more information  
[hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/)

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## JUBILEE OF HOPE, 2025



Each month in the Diocese of Hamilton, we will pray for **Heros of Hope** – those members of our parishes and communities who offer hope to those in need by their ministries and service. During January, we pray for those who serve in Parish Ministries:

Lord God, by the grace of our baptism, you have given us new life in Christ and called us to serve as pilgrims of hope.

We pray in thanksgiving for those who have responded to your call to be leaders in our parish community and for the volunteers who dedicate their gifts for the building up of your Church and the service of their sisters and brothers.

Through their varied ministries, may they touch the hearts of all in our community who long for the hope, born of our Christian faith, that never disappoints.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## **St. Agnes Parish, Waterloo**

### EDUCATION CAFÉ

Families today can be faced with many challenges: mental health, addiction, division, financial stress and beyond. Even the strongest of families can suffer under the pressure. How can we draw on our faith to persevere with unshakeable **hope** despite the struggles? Join us on **Sunday, January 26<sup>th</sup> from 2 - 3:30 pm** with Teresa Hartnett, Director, Family Ministry, Diocese of Hamilton.

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## **In Front of Kitchener City Hall (skating rink)**

### CANDLE-LIGHT PRAYER VIGIL

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

## **The Chancery Office, Hamilton or ZOOM**

### RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIVE

Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on Friday evenings. Held 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](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com), or if you plan to attend in person and for the zoom link if joining online. We look forward to seeing you!

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## **St. Mark Parish, Kitchener**

### ALPHA 2025

**Thursday evenings, February 20<sup>th</sup> - May 1<sup>st</sup>, 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](mailto:stmarkalpha@gmail.com) or 226-748-3210.

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### SUPPORT FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy, does it feel stagnant or disconnected? Is it causing you constant stress? The solution is Retrouvaille – whose one purpose is to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves. It is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. For struggling couples, including those who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is **March 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>**. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email [1013r@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:1013r@helpourmarriage.org).