



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

56 Duke Street West, Kitchener ON N2H 3W7

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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER OF DIVINE MERCY

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 tinymhometakeout.com or email tinymhometakeout@gmail.com for more information.



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Mass Schedule and Intentions

April 9 - 14, 2024

TUESDAY – ferial

Acts 4.32-37 John 3.7b-15

12 noon For the Intentions of Mike O'Reilly

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm

WEDNESDAY – ferial

Acts 5.17-26 John 3.1-21

12 noon For the Intentions of Daniel Mueller

12:30 pm Rosary

THURSDAY – St. Stanislaus

Acts 5.27-33 John 3.31-36

11:30 am Confessions until 11:50 am

12 noon For the Intentions of Jason Santo

FRIDAY – ferial

Acts 5.34-42 John 6.1-15

12 noon ††Nancy & Casey Johnson

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Acts 3.13-15, 17-19 1 John 2.1-5 Luke 24.35-48

SATURDAY

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

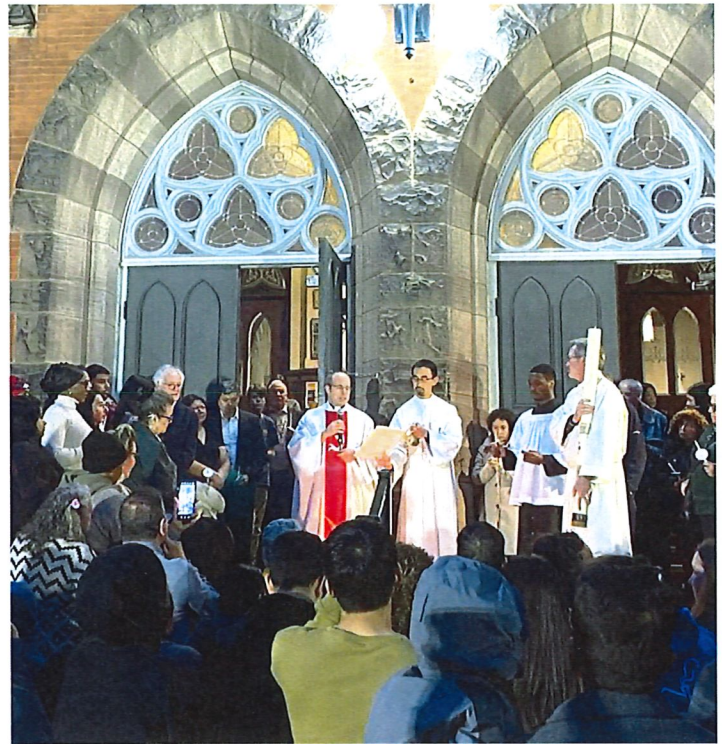
5:00 pm †John Loomis, †Joe MacDonald, †Betty Maxwell, †Sergio Matessich, †Tony Gunnewiek, For the Intentions of Garry Visneskie

SUNDAY

8:30 am For Our Parishioners

11:00 am For the Deceased Members of the Mae Hicks Family

PICTURE OF THE WEEK



It was such a blessing to have so many people celebrate with us at our Easter liturgies this past weekend, including the beautiful Easter Vigil on Saturday evening. May the light of Christ, rising in glory, bring joy, light & peace to you and your loved ones this Easter season!

PLANNED GIVING INFORMATION NIGHT

Have you considered leaving a portion of your estate to St. Mary's? Did you know there are ways to do this that could save you thousands in taxes? Or that with a few simple adjustments, the amount the church receives could increase by 20% to 50%? Join us on **Monday, April 15th at 5:30 pm** for a complementary meal in the church hall where Mac Graham, Financial Advisor and fellow parishioner will explain techniques to help your charitable gift go further. Chef Amy will be preparing the meal and can accommodate any dietary restrictions. **Please register by calling the parish office by April 10th** if you're interested in attending.

APRIL 7, 2024

Double Tree Inn, Kitchener

7TH ANNUAL KW TRIVIA CHALLENGE

Friday, April 26th. Guest MC Bryan Larkin (Dep. Commissioner RCMP) Team of 8 Registration - Early Bird \$360 After March 31st, \$399. **Proceeds to Tiny Home Takeout!** To register call 519-893-1504 or visit www.kitchenerkofc.ca

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING



St. Mary's depends entirely on the generosity of our parishioners. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to your parish intentionally and faithfully through scheduled monthly transfers

from your bank account. On the 15th day of each month, your account will be debited the amount you specify. These funds are then deposited directly in the parish's account. To enroll, pick up a brochure in the church or download the form from our website. For more information and questions, please contact the parish office.

NEW TO ST. MARY'S?



St. Mary's Parish is a vibrant and growing community of faith. Our parish is happy to welcome all who visit us and share in Christ's life - especially at Sunday Mass.

We welcome the talents and abilities of our parishioners who participate in all our parish groups. We invite you to submit a Registration Form, located at all church entrances and on our website. Once completed, the form can be placed in the collection basket, mailed, or emailed. A minimum of 6 months as a registered parishioner is required when you or members of your family wish to prepare to receive the sacraments (ie: baptism, marriage, etc) at St. Mary's. In order to keep records up to date, we ask you to notify the parish office when there is a change of address or telephone. All information supplied remains confidential and is for the sole use of St. Mary's. For more information, contact the parish office, 519-576-3860, stmarys@rogers.com or visit stmarysrcchurch.ca.

RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE



Although the Apostles had heard witnesses proclaim that Jesus had risen, they were still consumed by fear. They had "locked the house and their hearts" (St. Peter Chrysologus). Their minds were darkened with grief. Yet, another encounter with Christ and His words, "peace be with you", completely transformed their state. Is there an area where you need such peace? Christ continues to infuse our lives with peace and courage, empowering us to proclaim His message of hope. Fr. Pawel Szymanowski CR, Vocation Team; resurrectionistvocation@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. Michael Parish Centre, Waterloo SEPARATED / DIVORCED SUPPORT

After a separation or divorce, you may be feeling isolated or need of support and healing to adjust to your new life? Come together with others to realize there is a 'second act'. Join us on the **3rd Tuesday of every month - 7:30 - 8:30 pm - April 16th, May 21st, June 18th**. Feel free to come early and join our Parish in prayer at 7 pm Mass. To register: call 519-884-9311, or email: parish@stmichaelw.ca

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Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph **STEP/BLENDED FAMILY: SMART STEPS FOR BUILDING FAMILY**

Are you a parent or stepparent adjusting to blended family life? Smart Steps offers practical insights and suggestions on how to make the relationships work well for all. The next session will be held on **Saturday, April 20th from 9:15 am - 3:30 pm**. Cost is \$50 per person and includes lunch. Register at hamiltondiocese.com and look under Upcoming Events. For more information, contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

St. Anthony Daniel Parish Life Centre **ANNUAL CWL CARD PARTY**

Wednesday, April 24th. Doors open at 11:30 am with lunch served at 12 noon. Cost is \$20/person. For tickets contact the parish office at 519-893-6960 or Linda Howey at 519-893-2534.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

Thursday, April 25th. Join us from 7 – 9 pm for the screening of **Bigger Than Us**. The film follows youth activist Melati Wijsen as she travels the world to meet other young activists like herself, striving to make the world a better place. Guest speaker Peter Mahfouz from Caritas Lebanon will speak to his work supporting youth initiatives in Lebanon and the strength of young people in supporting their communities. **The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom**. Register at: <https://reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com/> A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace.

Liuna Station, Hamilton

VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2024

The Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to gather on **Wednesday, May 15th** to celebrate the service of our Priests, Religious Brothers and Sisters, Permanent Deacons and Consecrated Virgins Living in the World. Doors open at 6 pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. Please contact serrahamilton1965@gmail.com for tickets and more information. Co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.

Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton **DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 26th at 1:30 pm**. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is available online at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming Events.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Parents are the most influential people in their children's lives. Even in the teen years, when peers become so important, parents are still influencing their children in almost every way. As their role model, it is important to ask yourself if what your children are seeing and hearing from you is how you would like them to act and speak. Do you speak kindly to family, friends and strangers? Do you limit the amount of time you engage on your phone and/or tablet/computer? Do you show them that you rely on God through prayer, attending Mass and talking about times God has helped you through? Your children are watching you to know how to act and behave, so look inward at how you act and speak and be sure you are the person you want your child to become.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

When we marry, we gain a spouse and his or her family. It is essential that we agree to ensure that we, as a couple, have the most important connection and that we remain united as a family unit when stresses with extended family arise. This means coming to agreement with each other on items such as how to celebrate holidays and traditions, the raising of children and other areas that directly impact us as a couple, even when family wants to have input. Our families can provide wonderful support to our marriage, but we must remember that the essential relationship is between our spouse and ourselves.