

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

56 Duke Street West, Kitchener ON N2H 3W7

Under the Administration of The Congregation of the Resurrection

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THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Welcome to St. Mary's Parish!

No matter who you are or where you're from, we extend to 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
Deacon Richard Olson
Penny Laurette – Administrative Assistant
Robert Tasse – Music Director
Amy Cyr – Chef, Kitchen Project Manager
Erin Kloos – Outreach Co-Ordinator
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 Erin at erink.stmarys@gmail.com.

Visits to the Sick

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

St. Vincent de Paul



Reach out to ssvp.cupboard@gmail.com to volunteer, inquire or donate with e-transfer. For grocery/other assistance call or text 226-988-5915 Monday – Friday.

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

Thursday: 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 Mass

Baptism and Marriage

Registered parishioners, please email the parish office at least 6 months before the required date for details.

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.

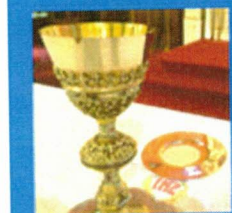


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Mass Schedule and Intentions

April 7 - 12, 2026

TUESDAY – Easter Octave

Acts 2.36-41 John 20.11-18

12:00 pm For the Intentions of the Curran Family

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm

WEDNESDAY – Easter Octave

Acts 3.1-10 Luke 24.13-35

12:00 pm For the Intentions of Helen Carrier

12:30 pm Rosary

THURSDAY – Easter Octave

Acts 3.11-26 Luke 24.35-48

11:30 am Confession until 11:50 am

12:00 pm For the Intentions of the O'Reilly Family

FRIDAY – Easter Octave

Acts 4.1-12 John 21.1-14

12:00 pm †Marie, †Jack & Paul Higgins

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Acts 2.42-47 1 Peter 1.3-9 John 20.19-31

SATURDAY

5:00 pm †Richard Wendling, ††Wolfgang & Mary Anne Dienst, ††Joe & Mae MacDonald, †Joseph Freiburger, †Kenneth Castillo, †Debbie Vicente

SUNDAY

8:30 am For the Intentions of Ella Kump on Her 90th Birthday

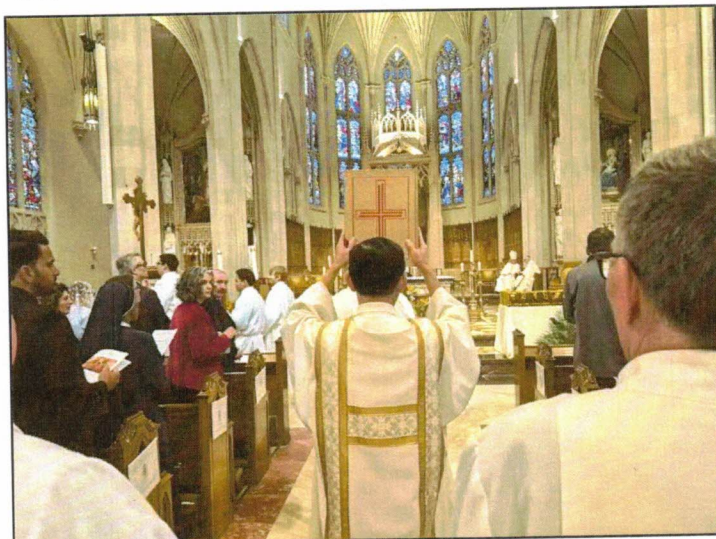
11:00 am For Our Parishioners

PARISH OFFICE EASTER HOURS

The parish office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 6th and will reopen on Tuesday, April 7th.

PIC OF THE WEEK

Happy Easter everyone! May we always remember that we embrace the Paschal Mystery so that we can become the face of Easter to the world, to be an Easter people as we proclaim the Resurrection (within or outside of the church) in order to lift others up to new life..



EASTER SUNDAY SOCIAL



Join us for a very special edition of our monthly Sunday Social **this Sunday April 5th** in the church hall, **after the 8:30 and 11 am Masses**. Featuring both a kids and adults cookie making

station where you can decorate a sugar cookie with easter sprinkles and chocolates - and stay to enjoy them with a hot tea, or a coffee. Looking forward to seeing you there!!

REQUESTS FOR THE COMMUNITY CLOSET

Men's & Women's
Sweat Pants &
Joggers
Men's & Women's
Hoodies
T-shirts

Winter Boots,
Mitts, hats,
Men's winter coats
Thick/Wool socks
Men's Jeans

Toiletries
Women's
Underwear
Men's Boxers
Sleeping Bags
Tents

Drop off anytime between 10 am to 7 pm any Tuesday to Saturday or place in the bin at the back of the church



FRIDAYS AT ST. MARY'S – COOKING TIPS

April 10th at 7 pm in the church hall. Join Chef Amy for live cooking demos and interactive lessons. Whether you're just starting out or looking to sharpen your technique, this is a flavourful opportunity to learn, create, and grow in a fun, welcoming environment.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. On **Sunday, April 12th** we will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy after the 8:30 am Mass.

VOCATION MINUTE



If Christ has not been raised, our faith is in vain," says St. Paul. We believe because Christ is risen — not only as a distant event in the past, but as a living reality among us here and now. All believers are called to witness to the Risen Christ and the new life He gives; in the Congregation of the Resurrection, we live this call in a particular way, bringing His life-giving love to a world that desperately needs it. Is the Risen Lord calling you by name to share in this mission, to be a witness of the transforming power of His Resurrection in our suffering world? Fr. Michal Kruszewski, CR resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com

TUNES FOR TINY HOME TAKEOUT

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported Tunes for Tiny Home Takeout last Saturday! A total of \$2,250 was raised with your generosity! We are deeply grateful to the Laurier Music Community for putting on such a lovely concert and sharing their talents with us.

RESURRECTIONISTS AND THE LAITY SURVEY

The Congregation of the Resurrection, of which religious community our Pastor and Associate Pastor are members, is conducting a survey in all parishes in which Resurrectionists minister. The survey's purpose is to find out how lay people have collaborated with Resurrectionists in the past, how we are collaborating now, and how we could increase our collaboration in the future. Paper copies of the survey and more information will be available at the entrance of the church on the weekend of April 18/19, or you can access the electronic version of the survey now by scanning the QR code in this bulletin. Surveys will be due back by Sunday, May 3rd, and a Synodal Gathering will be held to discuss the survey findings on Saturday, May 23rd (details can be found in the survey). Thank you for all you do for this parish, and for taking the time to collaborate with the Resurrectionists by taking this survey!



St. Louis Parish Gym, Waterloo SENIOR INFORMATION FAIR

All are invited **Saturday, April 18th from 1 - 4 pm.** This is a great opportunity to meet over 30 professionals from many areas impacting seniors' lives to ask questions about what is available to help. Admission and refreshments are free. Sponsored by St. Louis Ministry to the Elderly and St. Louis CWL. For information contact StLouisSeniorFair@outlook.com or Cecilia, 519-572-5435.

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March 30, 2026

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

“Peace be with you!” (Jn 20:19)

With these words, the Risen Lord greeted His disciples after His Resurrection. With these same words, He greets us today; quietly, gently, yet with steadfast presence. Into our worries, fears, and uncertainties, Christ comes and stands among us, offering His peace.

This Easter is especially meaningful for me, as it is my first with you as your bishop. I give thanks to God for the gift of being your shepherd and for the grace of celebrating the Resurrection among you. It is a joy to walk with you in faith and to proclaim together that Christ is risen.

This year, our joy is even greater as we welcome an extraordinary number of new Catholics, men and women who, through Baptism, are born into new life in Christ. Their “yes” to the Lord is a powerful witness. It reminds us that the Risen Lord is still calling people, still renewing lives, still making all things new.

The peace He offers is not like the peace the world gives (Jn 14:27). It is not fragile or passing, but a gift that takes root within us and transforms us, so that we may become witnesses of hope. As Saint Paul reminds us, “If Christ has not been raised, your faith is in vain” (1 Cor 15:17). But Christ is risen and this changes everything.

Easter invites us not so much to understand everything, but to trust and believe. Like the first disciples, we may not always recognize Him right away. Yet through prayer, His Word, and the Eucharist, we discover that He is already with us, calling us by name and walking beside us and slowly, His peace fills our hearts. It changes how we see others, how we respond to difficulties, and how we live each day. We become, in quiet but real ways, witnesses of His presence, bringing patience where there is tension, kindness where there is hurt, and light where there is darkness. Our world deeply needs this peace: the faithful presence of those who know that Christ is alive. Each of us is called to carry this peace into our families and communities.

May this Easter renew in us faith that Christ is truly Risen, that He is with us, and that His love is stronger than anything we may face.

I wish you a blessed and joyful Easter!

† *Joseph Dabrowski*, CSMA

Most Rev. Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA
Bishop of Hamilton

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