



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

56 Duke Street West, Kitchener ON N2H 3W7

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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

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

Registered parishioners, 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 tinychometakeout.com or email tinychometakeout@gmail.com for more information.



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Mass Schedule and Intentions

May 14 - 19, 2024

TUESDAY – St. Matthias

Acts 1.15-17, 20-26 John 15.9-17

12 noon For the Deceased Members of the Konrad Kessler Family

12:30 pm Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 pm

WEDNESDAY – ferial

Acts 20.28-389 John 17.11b-19

12 noon For the Intentions of Mike O'Reilly

12:30 pm Rosary

THURSDAY – ferial

Acts 22.30; 23.6-11 John 17.20-26

11:30 am Confessions until 11:50 am

12 noon For the Intentions of Marie Dvorak

FRIDAY – ferial

Acts 24.27; 25.13b-21++ John 21.15-19

12 noon For the Intentions of Bishop Douglas Crosby

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Acts 2.1-11 1 Corinthians 12.3b-7, 12-13 John 20.19-23

SATURDAY

4:00 pm Confession until 4:30 pm

5:00 pm ††Clarence & Mae Howard, †Sergio Matessich, †Mary Frankovic, For the Intentions of Letay Habtay

SUNDAY

8:30 am For Our Parishioners

11:00 am †Barb Harcourt-Azevedo

ITEMS NEEDED

Tiny Home Takeout is still in need of **men's and women's hoodies & spring jackets, men's underwear (M,L) and men's t-shirts (S,M,L)** for our unsheltered friends. Please drop them off in the bin at the back of the church by the bulletin board. Thank you!



PICTURE OF THE WEEK

We arrived safely in Fatima and had a good night's rest before offering an outdoor Mass for all of the intentions given to us by the parishioners at St. Mary's. There is great peace here and our Blessed Mother's presence is everywhere, bringing us the assurance that our prayers are being heard and that her Son is with us all. May her presence and peace also be felt in a special way in Kitchener as we keep you all in our thoughts and prayers this day. Blessings to you all! Fr. Toby



LOAVES & LAUGHTER WRAP UP

We had a terrific end to our Loaves & Laughter season this past Friday. Many thanks to our leaders, Andrew Z, Chef Amy, Janet, Fr. Raph and Fr. Toby, and to the 100 or so folks who came out at some point this past Fall and Winter. It was a joy to grow in faith and friendship, all while baking a variety of delicious breads! Stay tuned for updates on the group closer to the Fall.

MAY 12, 2024

MARILLAC PLACE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Join us as we support this Campaign, running from Mother's Day to Father's Day! Your donations provide vital support to Marillac's programs, offering housing, education, counseling, and more to those in need. If you wish to donate pick up a baby bottle at the doors of the church and fill it with loose change or scan the QR code on the poster on the bulletin board to take you directly to their donate page. For more information call 519-571-0722 x 2, email admin@marillacplace.ca or visit www.marillacplace.ca. Thank you for your continued support!

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



Greetings and blessings dear ladies! We invite you to join us next **Sunday, May 19th** in the church hall **following 11 am Mass**. We will be gathering together to Crown the image of Mary,

the Mother of Jesus, acclaiming Her as: "Mary, our Mother of God, our Queen, and our Mother of the Church". We pray that through her intercession we may achieve holiness of life and a deepened faith. Looking forward to seeing you and sharing Fellowship, Friendship and Prayer!

RESURRECTIONIST VOCATION MINUTE



A vocation is not a "job" God wants you to do, it is a "sign" God wants you to be. God will give us "signs" along the way, but we should realize that they are all supposed to point to the kind of life God is inviting us to live, the way God wants us to be a sign to others of the good news. Fr. Raphael Ma, CR, Vocation Team resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com

INVITATION TO CR'S COME & SEE DAY



How do I discern a vocation to Religious Life? If you're looking to understand God's plan for you, join us for the 'Come and See' day retreat on **Saturday, May 25th** here at St. Mary's. This retreat offers a chance to join community prayers, engage in discussions with three Resurrectionists, and meet other young people on a similar journey. For further details, please visit <https://resurrectionists.ca/vocations/come-see/>

ST. MARY'S GET INVOLVED FAIR

Weekend of May 25th / 26th. Are you looking to get more involved in our vibrant parish? After 5 pm Mass on Saturday, May 25th, and during our monthly coffee socials on Sunday, May 26th, representatives from various parish groups and ministries will be advertising their work and inviting new members and volunteers. You won't want to miss this opportunity to make new friends and make a big difference in our community!

CATHOLIC AMIGOS BBQ & BEADS

Tuesday, May 28th at 7 pm. Hey Catholic Amigos (young adults age 20 - 40), mark your calendars for our next get together. Learn two ways of making rosaries while enjoying Mediterranean style grill. See you there!

TINY HOME TAKEOUT GARDEN OPENING

Saturday, June 1st. Do you have a green thumb? The THT Garden is back this year and our big planting day is happening at 9 am on June 1st (lunch provided). The garden is located at 265 Westmount Road North, Waterloo, behind Resurrection College. Can't make the planting day? No worries! Chef Amy Cyr & Andrew Zettel will be hosting Friday morning drop-in gardening throughout the summer. Hope to see you there!!

Holy Family Croatian Catholic Church MINI EMMAUS 2024



Calling all Altar Servers, Youth Groups, and Young People from grade 2 to 12! Join us on **Saturday, June 1st from 11:30 am - 4 pm** for our second annual "Mini Emmaus" - a Waterloo

Deanery-wide afternoon of faith and fun! Represent your parish, compete against groups from other parishes, and discover what it means to be disciples! There is no cost for participants, and lunch and snacks will be provided. Scan this QR code to **register by May 26th**, and we hope to see you at this great event!



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CONFÉRENCE DES ÉVÊQUES CATHOLIQUES DU CANADA
CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

**Message to Catholic Families
from the President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops
on National Family and Life Week
13 to 19 May 2024**

Dear Catholic families,

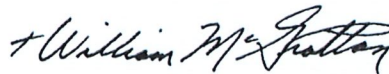
National Family and Life Week (NFLW) this year will take place from 13 May to 19 May 2024. The theme for this year is “Love hopes all things,” which is taken from Saint Paul’s hymn on love in 1 Corinthians 13.7: “[Love] bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.” This description of love is also at the heart of Pope Francis’s reflection on the dynamics of spousal and family love in the Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*, chapter 4. Through this theme, families are encouraged to cultivate, deepen, and renew Christian hope by drawing on scriptural reflection, family prayer, and the Sacraments.

The CCCB Standing Committee for Family and Life and its corresponding Office have developed a pastoral toolkit specifically designed for the “domestic church.” Each day of the NFLW 2024 celebrates a specific theme, accompanied by prayers and activities for different ages, cultures, and circumstances. The toolkit includes: the logo for the 2024 National Family and Life Week; catechesis; prayer intentions and daily activities for families and parishes; graphic resources with quotes on Christian hope for daily social media campaigns; as well as pastoral suggestions for a Mass to celebrate Family and Life.

Dioceses/Eparchies, parishes, and Catholic movements and associations are encouraged to make good use of the pastoral toolkit in their own planning of activities to mark this Week, which concludes on Pentecost.

May the Holy Spirit lead us into a “Love [that] hopes all things” during this Week. May our thoughts, words, and actions be inspired by the same Spirit, and may God hear the prayers of our Catholic families and grant them the hope that only He can give.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



The Most Rev. William T. McGrattan
Bishop of Calgary
President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops



10 April 2024