

PRAY PLEASE FOR:

Holy Souls in Purgatory

God seated Jesus at his right hand in the heavens
(Ephesians 1:17-23) or Hebrews 9:24-28; 10:19-23.

WEEK AT A GLANCE (June 3-9)

Mon	8:00 pm	AA
Tues	1:00 pm	Finance Committee Meeting
	6:45 pm	Altar Servers Mini Putt
Wed	9:30 am	Rosary
	10:30 am	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion
	1:30 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting
	6:30 pm	Folk Choir Practice
	7:00 pm	Pastoral Council Meeting
Thurs	10:00 am	Rosary- Woodingford Lodge
	11:30 am	Jollymakers - Bingo
	7:30 pm	Liturgy Meeting
Fri	9:30 am	Divine Mercy Chaplet
	10:30 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	11:45 am	Benediction
Sat	8:00 am	Confessions
	9:00 am	CWL President's Meeting
	9:30 am	Confessions
Sun	PENTECOST SUNDAY	
	9:00 am	Sunday School
	7:00 pm	High School Ministry Meeting

Altar Server (June 4 & 6) Kieran Sawchuk



It has been a tradition of our Parish that we wear RED to all masses in Celebration of the Feast of Pentecost next weekend.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY – MAY 25/26

Regular Envelope	\$ 5145.20
Initial Envelope	\$ 5.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 160.00
Loose	\$ 619.80
Building Fund	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 6030.00



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (June 8/9)

Saturday (5 pm)

Commentator: Olga Patterson
 1st, 2nd Lector: Carla Matos, Linda Bertling
 Gift Bearers: Rosemary & Siobhan Couture
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Dave Bertling, Veronica Holly, Heather Campbell, Valerie Claessens
 Greeter: Veronica Holly
 Rosary: Adele Armstrong

Sunday (9 am)

Commentator: Mae Feeney
 1st, 2nd Lector: Brian O'Rourke, Miriam Schernekau
 Gift Bearers: Spanjers Family
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Mariola Pleli, Sara Leonard, Carol Van Moerkerke, Eric Van Moerkerke
 Greeter: Ann Schroder
 Rosary: Anne Stancek

Sunday (11 am)

Commentator: Teena Mendonca
 1st, 2nd Lector: Elizabeth Czomba, Kim Smith
 Gift Bearer: Larry Duyck
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Norbert Vanhooren, Helen Borbely, Darren Jayne, Nora Marie Bruder
 Greeter: Janet Guralski
 Rosary: Norbert Vanhooren



MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS (June 3-9)

Tues	7:00 pm	Lori Vanspronsen Steve Dertinger Pat McElhone George Knab Jr.
Wed	10:00 am	Joe & Flossie Fardella Jose Borges Mary Hamel
Thurs	7:00 pm	Ron Semenuk Irene Hasilo Alf Mintha
Fri	10:00 am	Nick Doneff John Schonberger
Sat	9:00 am	Deceased members of Helen Peacock Family
	5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Mary's
Sun	9 & 11 am	Parishioners of St. Mary's



Let your roots go down into Christ, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.
Colossians 2:7

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

JUNE 2, 2019

From the Desk of Father John

Fr Comiskey:

I would like to thank Fr Comiskey for covering the parish this weekend. As you may know, I am in Winnipeg this weekend for the Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon Peter - he visited our parish earlier this year. I find attending Ordinations to the Priesthood to very life giving!

Year of Prayer:

As I mentioned last weekend, Bishop Fabbro has announced a Year of Prayer asking for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, as we the Families of Parishes are established. Here in the parish, we be praying the Diocesan Prayer before each Mass. In next weeks bulletin, you will find the insert from the Diocese. The Parish Pastoral Council will be meeting next week to discuss this Year of Prayer and how we may celebrate it in our parish. Additionally, we are investigating how we may implement a deliberate approach to evangelization for our parish.

From the Diocese of London Website (dol.ca):

Pope Benedict XVI, when visiting one of the parishes in the Diocese of Rome, told the parishioners: 'Let us not wait for others to bring different messages, which do not lead to authentic life. You yourselves must become missionaries of Christ to your brothers and sisters wherever they live, work, study or pass their free time... Faith must be lived together, and the parish is the place in which we learn to live our faith as part of the "us" of the Church. Parishes, then, are called to be "missionary" — not to foreign countries — but first of all to those immediately around them".

This is the new evangelization spoken of us so often by St. John Paul II, Pope Benedict XVI and most recently, Pope Francis. This mission of evangelization, of proclaiming and living the gospel message, belongs to every baptized member of the Church.

More to follow

Fr John

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Teena Mendonca, Business Manager
Melissa Sioen, Secretary

Office Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri
(9 am - 12 pm, 1 pm - 4 pm)

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday Masses: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday, Thursday: 7:00 pm
Wednesday, Friday: 10:00 am
Saturday: 9:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday: 8:00 am -8:45 am & 9:30 am - 10:00 am or by appointment

Children's "Sunday School"

Oct to May, @ 9 am Mass

Catholic Schools

St. Joseph School: (519) 660-2783
Msgr. O'Neil School: (519) 660-2772
St. Mary's High School: (519) 675-4435

Baptism Preparation

Contact Father John, ext. 22

Weddings

By appointment, and 6 months notice



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is coming back this summer for one amazing week! Circle your calendars – St. Mary’s will be hosting a “Cool Kingdom Party” July 22nd – 26th! Vacation Bible School is open to all children entering JK/SK until grade 6 in September.

REGISTRATION FORMS TO ATTEND VBS

Registration forms (pink in colour) for children entering JK/SK this fall up until grade 6 are available at the back of the Church at the VBS display. The deadline to get your form in is July 1st. VBS fills very quickly and we can only take 80 campers – don’t delay!

VBS YOUTH LEADERS

If you have applied to be a youth leader at VBS you will receive an email or phone call to schedule an interview time this week. Please contact Mrs. Hanley for more info (519-842-3224 ext.23).

CAN YOU HELP VBS?

Here at the Cool Kingdom Party invitees will have the opportunity to sample some delectable food at the Royal Feasting Hall! If you could help out and stock the pantry that would be very gracious of you! We will need wagonloads and wagonloads of juice boxes to quench our thirst. Of course plastic tablecloths, small plates and napkins are in demand as well. If you want to donate some vegetables like cucumbers, watermelon or berries from your own stock that would be great – please contact Nicole at nickyh@rogers.com a week before the party begins (July 15th). Of course gift cards to grocery stores help us greatly to purchase all we need for our theme based snacks we make!

VBS WASHCLOTH SALES

Thank you for your generous support of our fundraiser! We sold out! you can purchase more washcloths at the office during office hours! All the money raised will go to providing all our campers saint cards to take home and supplies for VBS.



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School is a program for children who are age 3 (or toilet trained) until they enter grade 2 to help them learn the rituals of mass and hear the Gospel story in child friendly language, through craft and song. Father John, at the beginning of Mass, calls the children forward and they process to the Parish Centre with their leader and return to you during the offertory song. This year Sunday School will be available at the Sunday 9 AM Mass. For more information please contact Colleen Hanley (chanley@dol.ca) or call the office.



STEUBENVILLE UPDATE

We are getting super excited for Steubenville! Thank you so much for your generosity – we have 17 young people and 4 chaperones heading to Steubenville July 12-14th this year. The theme this year is Belong – we are all children of God! Please pray that the Holy Spirit moves to deepen our relationship with our God in a profound way. Our group has begun meeting to get to know one another and spend some time preparing our hearts for this extraordinary experience!

SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS

Msgr. O’Neil’s Year End Mass will be Thursday June 13th at 9 am at Msgr. O’Neil School. St. Joseph School’s Year End Mass will be Thursday June 20th at 9 am at St. Joseph’s School. Msgr. O’Neil Graduation Liturgy will be Monday June 24th at 6:30 pm at St. Mary’s Church. Everyone is welcome to attend!

HOW DO I BECOME CATHOLIC?

RCIA, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is the Church’s process for calling adults to a conversion of mind and heart and preparing them for a full and active life in the Church as disciples of Jesus. The process of becoming a mature Christian involves more than just learning about the faith of the Church. The RCIA aims to transform the entire person into an individual who has truly put on Christ Jesus. Our process will begin early in September, so if you are interested in entering into the process please contact Colleen Hanley (519-842-3224 ext. 23). The first step is just to meet over coffee and chat and share information.

ALTAR SERVERS

Our Annual Mini-Putt Tournament is scheduled for Tuesday June 4th! We will begin with Mass at 7 pm, followed by a game of mini-putt and then some yummy ice cream! Sign-up forms will be coming to your emails – please return by June 2nd!

HAVE YOU MOVED ?

If you have changed your address or in the process of moving, don’t forget to notify the parish office. You can reach us at stmarytils@dol.ca.

ST. MARY’S HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORMS

Are you in need of uniform pieces for St. Mary’s High School in Woodstock? Please contact Colleen Hanley 519-842-3224 Ext. 23 to check out all the donated uniforms pieces from past St. Mary’s students.

EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

Thank you for your generous donations for Easter Flowers. We have been able to keep fresh flowers by the altar and tabernacle for the entire Easter Season (six weeks)! We will have fresh flowers for Pentecost and Corpus Christi as well. Thank you for helping to make our worship space so beautiful!

PRAYER CHAIN

A powerful home-based network prayer ministry for intentions requested by parishioners. Call Bonnie De Decker (519) 913-3533.

PRAYER CHAIN YEAR-END POTLUCK

Prayer Chain Year-end Potluck, Wed. June 5th, 5:30 pm, 109 Valleyview Lane (phone # 842-2921). The rain date will be Wed. June 12th pm.



BISHOP’S DINNER FOR LONDON & SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES

The eleventh Annual Bishop’s Dinner for London & Surrounding Communities will be held on Wednesday, June 12 at the London Convention Centre. This annual event gathers our community with Bishop Fabbro in a “Celebration of Faith, Friendship and Charity” to raise vital funds for Vocations London and St. Peter’s Seminary. This year we welcome three-time Juno nominee Emm Gryner with her band. For tickets or sponsorship information, please email Mrs. Frances Barnard at bishopsdinner@dol.ca or phone 519-432-1414 or 1-888-548-9649, ext. 255.

MERLIN SHRINE PILGRIMAGE

Bishop Fabbro and Bishop Dabrowski invite the faithful to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Rosary on Tuesday, July 16. The day will begin with lunch at noon, followed by a concert performed by the Wallaceburg LifeTeen band at 1:00pm. A rosary procession will take place at 1:30 pm, followed by Mass celebrated by Bishop Dabrowski and benediction at 2:00 pm.

WE ALL WIN

Just want to remind those who buy those tickets they are available to one and all. Either from a Knight or the Credit Union in Tillsonburg. One ticket gets you 52 chances to win and you can win more than once.

PRIEST PENSION FUND COLLECTION

This weekend in the bulletin you will find information about the Priest Pension fund and an envelope to contribute to the fund. The Priest Pension collection Fund date is June 15/16 - Father’s Day weekend. Please also keep all our priests in your prayers. We have included a Prayer for Priests for you as a parish to pray. Your generosity is a sign of the care and affection that we feel for our priests, who retire after many decades of having ministered to our spiritual needs. Our priests give us a lifetime of service, this Father’s Day let’s give back!

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Praise to you, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for in your infinite love you care for your people by the ministry of priests.

May their faithful service bring lasting good to your Church and great happiness to them. Help them to do what is right, that by their teaching and living we may grow in the knowledge of your love.

As our priests instruct your people, enlighten them with the wisdom of Christ the Teacher.

As they preach your Word and celebrate the sacraments, sanctify them with the holiness of Christ the High Priest.

As they face weakness, suffering and discouragement, strengthen them with the grace of Christ the Life-Giver.

As they work for peace, unity and healing in your Church, uphold them with the courage of Christ the Reconciler.

Giver of all good gifts, make the ministry of our priests a spiritual offering pleasing to you, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SCENT SENSE

We appreciate that all our parishioners are aware of allergies and sensitivities to strong perfumes and scents. Thank you for your consideration.



May your life be blessed in holy union with Christ and with one another.

Congratulations to:
Michael Mc Corquodale
&
Mandy Cannon