

PRAY PLEASE FOR:

Patrick Cogan, Marcel Verstraeten, Doug Hunt & Anne Kormos

You have approached the city of the living God (Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a).

WEEK AT A GLANCE (September 2- 8)

Mon	OFFICE CLOSED- LABOUR DAY
	8:00 am CWL Meat & Apple Pie Prep
	8:00 pm AA
Tues	8:00 am CWL Meat & Apple Pies
Wed	8:00 am Centrefest Prep (Kitchen)
	9:30 am Rosary
	10:30 am Our Lady of Perpetual Help and Devotion
	1:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting (Parish Hall)
Thurs	10:00 am Rosary- Woodingford Lodge
	7:30 pm Liturgy Meeting
Fri	9:30 am Divine Mercy Chaplet
	10:30 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	11:15 am Benediction
Sat	8:00 am Confessions
	9:30 am Confessions
	11:00 am Centrefest Prep (FLPC)
Sun	12:30 pm CENTREFEST

*Knights of Columbus Can Collection
SSVP Collection & Food Bank*

MASS TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS (Sept 2-8)

Tues	7:00 pm	Mary Hamel Maria Boruzs Joe Drotos Steve VanQuaethem
Wed	10:00 am	Jose Borges Irene Hasilo Joe Jansen
Thurs	2:00 pm 7:00 pm	Tillsonburg Retirement Centre Ron Semenuk Maria Sam Nguyen Dave Mulholland
Fri	10:00 am	Deceased members of Helen Peacock Family Wayne MacFarlane Jayne Gignac
Sat	9:00 am	Monsignor O'Neil Mikenas Family Gignac Family
Sun	5:00 pm 9 & 11 am	Parishioners of St. Mary's Parishioners of St. Mary's

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (Sept 7/8)

Saturday (5 pm)

Commentator: Carla Matos
 1st, 2nd Lector: Linda Bertling, Jerry Claessens
 Gift Bearers: Rosemary & Siobhan Couture
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Yvonne DeBrabander, Heather Campbell, Valerie Claessens, Rosemary Couture
 Greeters: John & Adele Armstrong
 Rosary: Helen Borbely

Sunday (9 am)

Commentator: Marlene Kirwin
 1st, 2nd Lector: Michael Jaffray & Karin Lansink
 Gift Bearers: Patrick, Patricia & Dan Benoit
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Margaret Tops, Vicky Luki, Kate Norman, Steve Spanjers
 Greeters: Elaine & Doug Hill
 Rosary: John Oliveira

Sunday (11 am)

Commentator: Kathy Holly
 1st, 2nd Lector: Janet Guralski & Audrey Jayne
 Gift Bearer: Larry Duyck
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Jennyl Hamilton, Alex Hanley, Ana Jayne, Darlene Papaioannou
 Greeter: Linda DeSutter
 Rosary: Norbert Vanhooren

Altar Server (September 3 & 5) Danika Varga

WEEKLY OFFERTORY – AUG 17/18, 2019

Regular Envelope	\$ 4,838.00
Initial Envelope	\$ 20.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 5.00
Building Fund	\$ 825.00
Loose	\$ 243.25
Total	\$ 5,931.25

WEEKLY OFFERTORY – AUG 24/25, 2019

Regular Envelope	\$ 4,769.50
Youth Ministry	\$ 115.00
Building Fund	\$ 55.00
Loose	\$ 285.35
Total	\$ 5,224.85



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

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOHN

It was 35 years ago that Anita McKay began to play the organ and lead the Sunday morning choir here at our parish. She has also been there for the many important "life" moments of our families. In addition to providing music for many of our families' Marriages and Funerals, she has been part of numerous Baptisms, First Communions and Confirmations!

On this occasion, we thank her for sharing her talents with us and we owe her a depth of gratitude for her faithfulness to this very important ministry in our parish! (Just in case you think that this expression of our appreciation is in any way indicative of the fact that she is planning on retiring, perish the thought!) We look forward to being blessed by her ministry for years and years to come!

Thanks so Much.
Fr John (on behalf of the Parishioners)

GROWING IN THE SPIRIT OF OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

We are excited to offer to the parish "Growing in the Spirit of Our Catholic Faith" this fall. It's not a new program or a series; rather it is simply an opportunity for you to grow. "Growing in the Spirit of Our Catholic Faith" will be an offshoot of the RCIA process – you come and listen to a presentation then spend some time in discussion how the Holy Spirit is calling you to grow in your faith. Presentations will focus on calling you to conversion of mind and heart, confirming your baptismal call, going deeper into our rich Catholic faith to be full and active missionary disciples. It will begin Thursday October 3rd at 7:30 pm following the 7 pm daily evening Mass. You will receive a schedule with all the different presentations and you can choose to be present for all or just some of them – you determine what you need to hear to grow in the Spirit of our Catholic faith. After each presentation those "Growing in the Spirit" will have the opportunity to have table discussions, ask questions, etc. There is no cost to attend but you will have an opportunity to purchase resources if you wish to. For planning purposes you will need to register – for now there are blue registration forms at the back of the Church by the main doors for you to complete and return to the rectory office or mail slot. Deadline to register is Friday September 20th. Any questions please contact Colleen Hanley at the office.



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Teena Mendonca, Business Administrator
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

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Our Sunday school program will resume Sunday September 22nd. 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 only at the Sunday 9 AM Mass. If you are interested in being an adult leader or youth helper starting in the fall at Sunday School please contact Colleen Hanley at chanley@dol.ca or 519-842-3224 ext. 23.

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.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation is usually conferred on youth in grade 8. If your family has a young person entered into grade 8 this year, you do not want to miss the Confirmation Family Information Night on Thursday September 19th at 7:30 pm, the meeting will follow the 7 pm Mass and will be in the Church. You will be given information concerning the sacrament, the process and registration packages. If you cannot attend but have a family member interested in being confirmed, please contact Colleen Hanley (519-842-3224 ext.23).

DO YOU WANT TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER?

Youth currently in grade 4 and up are most welcome to become altar servers. We will train you to assist at the altar during weekday and Sunday masses, weddings, funerals, special feast days and Holy Week. If you, or someone in your family, are interested in this rewarding ministry please complete the green sign up sheet at the back of the church by the main doors or contact Mrs. Hanley at chanley@dol.ca. Our Orientation & Training Night will be Tuesday October 1st at 6:30 pm in the church for all new and experienced altar servers.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION

The Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion are normally celebrated in grade two. If your family has a child entered into grade two this year, you do not want to miss the Parent Only meeting on Wednesday September 18th at 7 pm in the Church. Information about the program, dates and registration packages will be available at the meeting. If you cannot attend but have a family member interested in celebrating the sacraments of First Reconciliation and Communion, please contact Colleen Hanley (519-842-3224 ext.23).

FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Weekly Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays will resume Friday September 6th immediately after the 10:00 AM Mass and end with Benediction at 11:15 AM. For more information contact Fr. John.

CELEBRATE THE WORD

Our CELEBRATE THE WORD Sunday Reading Reflection Group will begin meeting again weekly on Tuesday September 17th from 1:30 to 3 pm. Please come and join us as we share our faith and life together in a friendly setting of respect and caring and especially prayer. Always lots of laughs and sometimes a tear or two. New faces "always more than welcome"!!! These get togethers are set up so that you can come as you are able. They will continue to about the end of May. Hopefully we will be able to meet in room 4 at the Centre, if not, God will provide. For further info call me at 519 879 6843.

KIDNEY WALK

We will be participating in the Kidney Walk on September 29, 2019 and our teams goal, in memory of our Son/Brother/Uncle and Friend Dylan D'Hulster and his counter part Ed DeSutter is to raise \$3000 but we can't do it without your help. Please join us in raising money for a great cause by sponsoring the campaign. Ed and Dylan were instrumental in getting the Dialysis Unit at TDMH. You can sponsor out team by going to Kidneywalk.ca or leave a sponsorship at the Church office marked "Kidney Walk". Help us raise a record-breaking \$1 million for The Kidney Foundation. Thank you in advance for your generosity, Greg and Anita D'Hulster & Family and Linda DeSutter and Family.



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CENTREFEST 2019 UPDATE

Mark your calendar for **Sunday September 8, 2019** for our Annual Fundraiser for the Father Langan Parish Centre. This event will be held after the 11:00 am Mass. Serving of the meal starts at 12:30 pm. Tickets for the Pork BBQ are now available and we will start selling these tickets after all weekend Masses August 31/September 1. Tickets are available prior to these dates at the Parish Office during regular office hours or by calling (519) 842-4774. Tickets will be available at the door September 8th. Good news - no change in the price for this wonderful meal - \$15.00 for Adults (13 yrs. & up) & \$6.00 for children (6 - 12 yrs.)! There will be a 50/50 cash draw the day of the event. We welcome the parishioners of Sacred Heart, Langton & St. Michael's, Walsh to join us for the event!



CWL MEAT & APPLE PIE SALE

St. Mary's CWL is taking orders for Meat & Apple pies. The cost is \$4.00. To place an order, please call: Nora Marie Bruder at 519-842-8460 or Irene Gubesch at 519-842-3312.



SUNDAY CHOIR

The Sunday Choir begins Sunday September 15th at the 9:00 am mass. New voices welcome!



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.

SACRED HEART CHURCH INGERSOLL ACTS: THE SPREAD OF THE KINGDOM

The Acts of the Apostles is the story of how a few Christians empowered by the Holy Spirit were chosen to bring Christ and the Good News to the ends of the earth. Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom is a Bible study that traces how the gospel witness spread outward in waves from Jerusalem and reveals how the seeds of Church structure and authority took root. It shows how the joys and struggles of the early Christians in living the life of Christ apply to us today. We will begin a twenty-week Bible study Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom on Wednesday September 25th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation by Jeff Cavins followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information or to register, contact Martin Roelands at 519-495-6740 or roelands.martin@gmail.com.

FORMED

PICK FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

FORMED RECOMMENDATIONS

FEATURED IN SEPTEMBER PRAYER

LECTIO PRAYER

ARE THE SAINTS AWARE OF OUR PRAYERS? READY REASONS WATCH

DISCERNING GOD'S WILL FR. LARRY RICHARDS LISTEN

Prayer YOUTH

DEEP CONVERSION DEEP DRAWER READ

Let's Pray! A Lesson on Prayer FOR CHILDREN

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PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND & JORDAN

Under spiritual guidance of Rev. Thomas Kuriacko, pastor of Sacred Heart, Langton & St. Michael's, Walsh, on October 18-29, 2019- 12 days CA \$3990. (taxes & tips Incl.) Travel arrangements by QS Travel & Tours Inc. affiliate of Queen Syrena Travel Inc. Telephone # 905-412-3355 or 1-800-565-3619. www.qstours.com.



We welcome into our faith community through the waters of baptism: **Maren Melia Chapais**. May her and her family always be guided by the Lord.