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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m. Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:30 to 4:00 p.m. or by appointment.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 11:00 a.m. - 12 noon

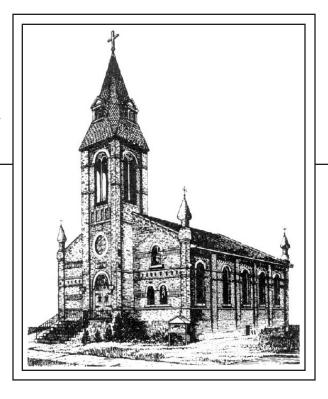
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Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN THE PARISH

BAPTISMS: Please call the Parish Office.



Every Friday: HOLY HOUR

7:30 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul President:

Michael Quinn Tel: 705-444-0999 ssypcollingwood.ca

HOLY COMMUNION FOR SICK, SHUT-INS: Holy

Communion is brought regularly to sick and shut-ins. Please notify the rectory.

MARRIAGES: Couples planning to get married must contact a priest one year in advance for an appointment. They must also receive personal preparation for entering marriage. Please do not book the time and place of your reception before your appointment with the priest.

If either party has gone through any form of civil or religious marriage with another person, the priest is not permitted to set a date for the wedding until the Bishop's Office has been consulted.

PARISH REGISTRATION: All parishioners should be registered. Registration cards can be found in the Church foyer or at the parish office. Would you kindly notify the office when you are moving out of the parish.

BULLETIN NOTICES must be received at the parish office by Tuesday at noon. Announcements will appear for no more than two weeks, and should contain only pertinent information. Please be brief.

Catholic Women's League

President: Carol Johns email: info@collcwl.ca 647-241-4699

The Knights of Columbus 3rd Degree

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WHEELCHAIR NEEDED

Most parish churches have a folding wheelchair for use should a parishioner fall ill at church or to assist those who may have ambulatory problems with walkers and even

the handicap ramp itself. If you have a decent foldable wheelchair in good shape and you'd like to donate it to St. Mary's, kindly contact the parish office and we can arrange either a drop off or pick up. Thank you.

HOLY HOUR - Friday's at 7:30 am



Every Friday morning from 7:30 am we have a Holy Hour in the church where the Eucharist is visibly displayed for silent communal adoration followed by Mass at 8:30 am. The idea of the "hour" derives from the scene in the Gospels before Jesus was arrested and

the following day crucified. In the Garden of Gethsemane with Peter, James and John, Jesus undergoes great emotional and mental anguish alone as his death looms near and He prays to his heavenly Father, and all the while his disciple's sleep. Jesus asks them, "Were you not able to stay awake for one hour?" Mark 14:37 The "hour" in sacred scripture is always related to evil (when evil would seem to have triumphed in the death of Jesus on the Cross) when the Devil has his hour but God has his Day, as in "The Day of the Lord." In silence we look at Jesus which leads us to an even greater appreciation of receiving him at Mass in the reception of the Holy Eucharist. With so many retired members of our parish it would be good for anyone, particularly those who have never attended an 'hour' with Jesus, to come and do so. It is the activity of the saints and all who desire to become one, as we ought. (Fr. Charles)

JESUS IS THE MAIN EVENT

"There are so many serious changes unfolding in the world right now that it is almost impossible to keep up with them. Because of these "signs of the times," I have dedicated a portion of this website to occasionally speaking about those future events that Heaven has communicated to us primarily through Our Lord and Our Lady. Why? Because Our Lord Himself spoke of future things to come so that the Church would not be caught off guard. False messiahs and false prophets will arise, and they will perform signs and wonders so great as to deceive, if that were possible, even the elect. Behold, I have told it to you beforehand. So if they say to you, 'He is in the desert,' do not go out there; if they say, 'He is in the inner rooms,' do not believe it... (Matt 24:24-26). He called us to "Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test," adding, "the spirit is willing but the flesh is weak."

My people perish for want of knowledge! ... I have told you this so that you may not fall away... (Hosea 4:6; John 16:1)

But Jesus never dwelt upon these things. Likewise, there is a risk that in fixing our eyes upon the distant and uncertain horizon rather than Jesus, we can quickly lose sight of what is most important, what is most necessary, what is most essential in the present moment.

When Martha greeted Jesus with the news that Lazarus had been dead for several days, He responded: "Your brother will rise." But Martha replied: "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." To which Jesus said,

I AM the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this? (John 11:25)

Martha's eyes were fixed on the future horizon that moment instead of the Lord's presence. For right then and there, the Creator of the Universe, the Author of Life, the Word Made Flesh, the King of kings, the Lord of lords and Conqueror of Death was present. And He raised Lazarus right then and there.

So too, in this moment of uncertainty, confusion, and darkness that has descended upon our world, Jesus says to you and me: "I AM the Era of Peace; I am the Triumph; I am the Reign of the Sacred Heart, right here, right now... Do you believe in me?" Martha replied:

Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world. (John 11:27)

You see, the main event is not coming—it is already here! <u>Jesus</u> is the main event. And so, what is most necessary at this moment is that you and I fix our eyes upon Him who is "the leader and perfecter" of our faith. Everything I have said or written in over 1200 writings comes down to one word: <u>Jesus</u>. If I have spoken of the future, it's so that you may turn your eyes to the Present. If I have warned of a <u>coming deceiver</u>, it is so that you may encounter the Truth. If I have talked about sin, it is so that you may know the Savior. What else is there?

Whom else have I in the heavens? None beside you delights me on earth. Though my flesh and my heart fail, God is the rock of my heart, my portion forever. But those who are far from you perish; you destroy those unfaithful to you. As for me, to be near God is my good, to make the Lord God my refuge. (Psalm 73:25-28)

The main event is not earthquakes, famines, or plagues; it is not the triumphs of which Our Lady has spoken; it is not really even Heaven at the end of our lives. Rather, it is her Son, Jesus. Here. Now. And He gives Himself daily to us in both His Word and the Eucharist.

...every day in the prayer of the Our Father we ask the Lord: "Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven" (Matt 6:10).... we recognize that "heaven" is where the will of God is done, and that "earth" becomes "heaven"—i.e., the place of the presence of love, of goodness, of truth and of divine beauty—only if on earth the will of God is done. —POPE BENEDICT XVI, General Audience, February 1st, 2012, Vatican City; cf. Hymn to the Divine Will

So, do not be worried or anxious about tomorrow, brothers and sisters. The Main Event is already here. And if you fix your eyes upon Him now, you will actually become the most significant sign on the horizon of tomorrow.

You will be the dawning of a new day, if you are the bearers of the Life, which is Christ! —POPE JOHN PAUL II, Address to the Young People of Apostolic Nunciature, Lima Peru, May 15th, 1988; www.vatican.va



Tues Sept 24

7:00pm +Gene Cudney

Requested by Knights of Columbus

Wed Sept 25

8:30am +Michael Fay

Requested by the Family

Thurs Sept 26

8:30am +Dorothy Dynes

Requested by Mary Cudney &

Family

Friday Sept 27

7:30am Holy Hour

8:30am +Kathy Usas Vinski

Requested by Georgina Skarjak

Sat Sept 28

3:30 to 4:00pm Confession

4:30pm +George Gerynowicz

Requested the Cudney Family

Sunday Sept 29

9:00am For the People

11:00am +Mato Krajinovic

Requested by Michael & Diana

Krajinovic

Please Pray for the Sick

Margot Brandreth, Jean Ferguson, Fred Coulson, Hilary Joseph, Henry Niepalla, Kaz Watroba, Albert Sant, Teresa & Feliks Kosierb, Patrick McKee, Elizabeth Pavilsa, Joseph Crupi, Vera Petrovic, Ashley Zavitz, Alex Poirier & Family, Tammy MacDonald, Anita Taglione, Denis Fennessy, Mary Little.

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased

Ornella Sorensen

The Sanctuary Lamp Burns for The Intentions of St. Mary's Parishioners From Sept 22nd to Sept 28th 2024



Regular Collection Sept 15th \$4069.00 (Inc PAG)

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Archbishop Leo encourages you to help your neighbour



"We see and feel the pain of those struggling to feed their families, and it moves us deeply," says Archbishop Francis Leo.
"Proverbs 22:9 reminds us, 'The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.' Our faith calls and challenges us to be the beating heart and outstretched hands of Christ himself, extending his love and compassion to those in need. Together, we will continue to bring hope and dignity to our community, to those who suffer thus making a concrete difference in the lives of our neighbours."

Please share your blessings by making a contribution at sharelife.org/donate or our parish using a ShareLife envelope. Thank you for living the Gospel.

Canada Needs our Lady Public Square Rosary Crusade

My name is Cara O'Hearn. I am a regular parishioner of St Mary's and a member of the CWL. This year I have chosen to become a rosary rally captain for the Canada needs our Lady Campaign. I will be leading a public square rosary to which you are all invited. The event will take place October 12, 2024 at 12pm (which is close to the date and time the miracle of the sun was witnessed by 70,000 people in 1917) The location is Harbourview Park in Collingwood On and meeting place will be near the McDonald's on First street where there is a parking lot right behind the restaurant. There will be a sign up sheet for those interested. Bring your rosary! In addition, there will be a special rosary making activity for children and families after our prayers.

Second Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada. Sept 28th & 29th

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada: Supporting Bishops in Their Pastoral Mission across the Country the Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada will take place next weekend, Sept. 28 and 29. This annual initiative is an important opportunity for the faithful to actively support and assist the bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. Please support the Collection. We thank you in advance for your generosity and continued commitment.

This Sunday is Stewardship Sunday

The Lord gives every single one of us gifts for the building up of the Kingdom of God in our parish communities. As stewards, one of the most important gifts God has given us is our very lives - the time we have in this world, entrusted to each of us in our brief journey through life. Joy in life comes from using our God-given gifts creatively and fruitfully, for the glory of God and in the service of our neighbour, and from celebrating the differing gifts of the people around us. Please watch this homily by Archbishop Francis Leo and then prayerfully reflect on how you may be of service to others. See: https://shorturl.at/YRMgN

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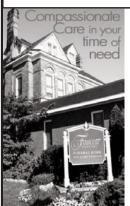


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