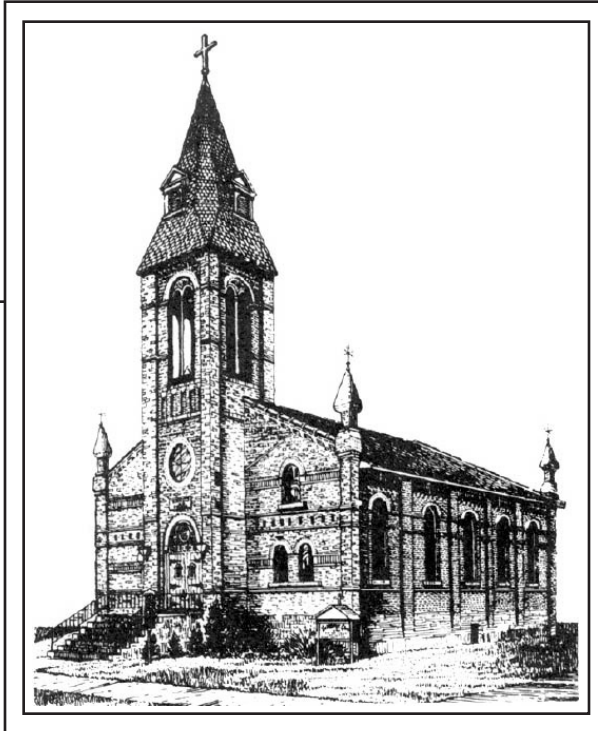


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## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 p.m.  
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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  
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## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN THE PARISH

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**BAPTISMS:** Please call the Parish Office.

**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.

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## October: Month of the Holy Rosary Pt. 4

There is just something about the Rosary that is so different from other forms of prayer. In some ways it seems so simple and childish in its repetition, its images and the reflection it draws us to consider.

Yet this simplicity in prayer and the invitation to repeat again our consideration of the most fundamental scenes from the Gospels, and the types that are so clearly visible and yet hidden from the sophisticate, are viewed as the miraculous manifestations they are and the mysteries they remain. The greatest minds of intellect in the history of the Church had a deep love for the Blessed Mother of God, and the Rosary has been prayed by the 'giants' of the world as they recognize their nothingness before the mystery itself that is God. Our lives are filled with repetition with each new day and each nightfall. The sun rises and sets, we breathe in and we breathe out, our heart beats within us in steady rhythm, and each new day presents us again with a fresh start as we live in the awesome presence of the Lord who is with us, as He promised. whether we pay attention to Him or not.

Our approach to the Kingdom, the mysteries of God and the world tell us that we must do so as a child.

*"He called a child, had him stand among them, and said, "I tell you the truth, unless you turn around and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven! Whoever then humbles himself like this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven." (Matt. 18:2-4)*

Let us be and do the child-like in praying the simple, known prayers in the repetition yet newness of our life in Jesus with the simplicity and contemplation found in the Rosary. The demons fear and hate it, the worldly dismiss it but the simply wise pray it with devotion and love to Jesus and through His Blessed Mother. Our Mother.

## THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

### THE BAPTISM OF JESUS IN THE JORDAN

John the Baptist, first cousin to Jesus, was foretold in Isaiah as the one who would cry out that the Messiah was coming and here. He recognized that he was a forerunner whose witness and voice would point to Jesus and not himself. *"I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not recognize, who is coming after me. I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandal!" (John 1:26-27)* John had already been baptizing for repentance of sin, but Jesus came to be baptized by him, not for sin – for Jesus had no sin as God in the flesh. His baptism was not from sin but *for* His ministry as Messiah. When John baptized Jesus in the Jordan river it would be the only time when baptismal water was blessed by the One who was baptized in it. This is attested to by the great manifestations of the clouds opening up (the heavens) and the Spirit coming down and resting on Jesus like a dove and the voice of the Father confirming who Jesus is – *"This is my one dear Son; in him I take great delight."* This manifestation is yet another example of the Trinity of Persons with Jesus in the Jordan, the Spirit coming down and resting on Him and the voice of confirmation from the Father.

### THE WEDDING FEAST AT CANA

Weddings are such a great celebration of family and friends gathered around a couple who are entering into union with one another for life. It connotes the bond of man and woman in a

committed relationship for life and the promise and fruit of children to come. Christ's relationship to the Church is seen in the marriage covenant. As guests, and not organizers or hosts, Jesus, His disciples and Mary, His Mother attend this wedding but it would seem that the party was ill prepared as the wine ran out. This symbol of joy, the wine represents our joy. What happens to us when our wine gives out? We, like Mary, turn to Jesus. *"Woman, what is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come."* We dare not call our mother's 'woman', yet Mary is that woman, the new Eve. Jesus, and Mary, knew that once He performed a public miracle, He's on His way to the Cross. And 600 liters of water became wine at Jesus' word. Joy is restored in an extravagant amount! And then, the Cross approaches.

### THE PROCLAMATION OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD (HEAVEN)

Jesus so often spoke of the Kingdom He had come to establish and we know that it is many things because He always referred to it through analogy: The Kingdom of God is like... I'm not sure why but one of my favorite examples from Our Lord is: *"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure, hidden in a field, that a person found and hid. Then because of joy he went and sold all that he had and bought that field."* The man invested everything he had for the sake of the found treasure, which is to say, he discovered that which is the highest, the greatest, the most glorious and beautiful – God Himself – and he places that revelation and truth first in his life. He is a new creation.

### THE TRANSFIGURATION

The Transfiguration of Jesus, when He manifested His true nature to three apostles for the first time, is a stand-alone revelation found in all three synoptic Gospels. It is glorious in that these men witness Jesus as He really is appearing in dazzling white and conversing with two Old Testament figures, Moses and Elijah. As with all incredible experiences, the three want to preserve the scene and keep it going, yet Jesus revealed Himself to them in this way in order to give them something unforgettable to hold on to later on when they are faced with the scandal of Jesus' Cross. This magnificent, unbelievable and unearthly manifestation would help them, and us, in perceiving, glimpsing, this awesome glory that is to come not only for Christ but for them, for us.

### THE INSTITUTION OF THE EUCHARIST

The lasting gift and Real Presence of Jesus given at the Last Supper, the night before Jesus died, was the gift of Himself. The Spirit would be given at Pentecost which would enable us to live the life of Jesus empowered with the manifold gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit, but Jesus would walk the earth no longer. His ascension into heaven proves this fact and He has not appeared among us as He did with His apostles since. But His PRESENCE would be made manifest in what He instructed His apostle and the Church to do until the time He judges the world. In the meantime, we hear in every language and tongue those words He pronounced to the Apostles: THIS IS MY BODY. THIS IS MY BLOOD. DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME. For the last two millennia, these words have been pronounced by priests the world over and the children of God have been fed with Christ Himself, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. Many today do not come to this incredible gift of Jesus Himself because, when it comes right down to it, they don't see Jesus in this great sign nor do they believe it. Lord, help our unbelief! (Fr. Charles)

**MASS**  **SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

Tues Oct 29 <sup>th</sup>	+Gene Cudney Requested by Kim Flanagan
Wed Oct 30 <sup>th</sup>	+Peter Petrovic Requested by Vera Petrovic
Thurs Oct 31 <sup>st</sup>	+Barbara Sullivan Requested by the Kromer Family
Fri Nov 1 <sup>st</sup>	
7:30am	Holy Hour
8:30am	+Terry Barretto Requested by Isabella Barretto Intentions of Maria Consuelo Requested by Rebecca Wedge
Sat Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
3:30 to 4:00pm	Confession
4:30pm	+All souls
Sun Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup>	
9:00am	+Margot Brandreth Requested by Society of St. Vincent de Paul
11:00am	For the People

***Please Pray for the Sick***

Jean Ferguson, Fred Coulson, Hilary Joseph, Henry Niepalla, Albert Sant, Teresa & Feliks Kosierb, Elizabeth Pavilsa, Ashley Zavitz, Alex Poirier & Family, Tammy MacDonald, Anita Taglione, Denis Fennessy, Mary Little, Yvonne Grimm, Joyce Mittermeier

***Please Pray for the Recently Deceased***

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There will be a second collection for our building and maintenance next weekend November 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION/FIRST COMMUNION**

St. Mary's Parish will be holding Parent Information Meetings at the end of this month, October for information regarding the sacraments of both First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. We will offer two dates, please choose **one**.

**Sunday October 27<sup>th</sup> @ 12:30pm in the Church**

**Wednesday October 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm in the Church.**

Please bring the following to the registration meeting:

- Your completed registration form which can be found on our website stmaryschurchcollingwood.ca
  - A photocopy NOT the original of your child's Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate.
  - A \$50.00 registration donation
- Only those children who are already baptized in the Roman Catholic Church are eligible for the sacraments in the Roman Catholic Church

**Important Note:**

Registration will close after the second offered parent meeting. Those who inquire after this date will have to wait until the following year to celebrate these sacraments.

Please call the parish office for further information

**SENIOR WISH – BAGS OF LOVE**

Christmas Senior Wish are resuming their *Bags of Love* Campaign for seniors who reside in long-term care and in the community who would otherwise not receive gifts. This is our third year involved in this campaign and it has been a huge success.

If anyone would like to adopt a senior, or if you know of a senior who would benefit from this program, please don't hesitate to contact Senior Wish at 705-331-3961.

St. Mary's will be putting a drop-off box in between the hall and the church to support Senior Wish. A list of items will be on the bulletin board for anyone who would like to help a senior. **The deadline for drop off here at the church is the weekend of Nov 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Any donations after that can be dropped off at the Fire Hall on High St. This is such a wonderful thing to do for the seniors in our community who would otherwise not receive anything.**



**MISSALS**

Missals are available for purchase in the little store at the back of the church, or from the parish office. The cost is \$7.00. Please put money in the box provided. Thank You



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