# ST. MARY'S CHURCH

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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. Tuesday 6:30 p.m. to Mass

#### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

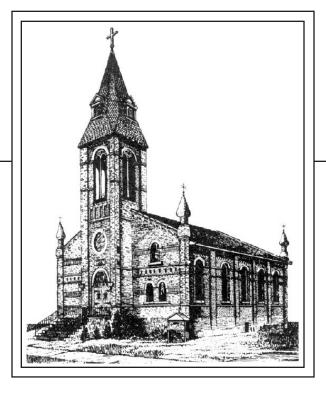
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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

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# 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 ssvpcollingwood.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

Grand Knight: Richard Mittermeier email: gk5793@ontariokofc.ca Collingwoodknightsofcolumbus.org The Knights of Columbus 4th Degree

Faithful Navigator: Domenic Sanfilippo 705-445 7615

# USHERS NEEDED AT ALL WEEKEND MASSES

Our parish is in need of men and women who would be willing to serve the parish at the Mass they regularly attend, to serve as an usher. The role is more than the taking up of the collection at Mass and involves arrival at Mass 15-20 minutes prior to the Mass time and assist any parishioners or visitors. The usher is often the first person visitors will meet and a welcome at the door goes a long way in making worshipers feel welcome. Of course, a parish's regular Mass attendees don't need to be welcomed to their own church but the usher extends a friendly good afternoon or morning to any and all who come for Mass.

Assisting all who comes to Mass is a worthy service to the parish and before God as hospitality is shown in assisting people with questions about washroom locations, visitor envelopes or any assistance they might need.

The usher who is serving at the Mass they regularly attend is first and foremost a worshiper that is fully involved in the celebration of Mass and not merely one who is doing their job.

We need at least four ushers per Mass. Please speak either to one of the ushers after Mass or to me, Fr. Charles.

One of the bonuses in being an usher is that you don't have to make out of the ordinary trips to church to fulfill a ministry outside of Mass, but are able to serve at the Mass you normally attend and only need arrive early and stay for a few minutes following each Mass. Please consider this important, visible and necessary ministry of service to your parish and God.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Training**

If you would be interested in becoming an usher, we will provide the training. The protocols that pertain to being an usher are known of course through a brief training course which also enables the new usher to have any questions they might have answered.

#### Screening

In keeping with the policies of the archdiocese and in every parish, every usher must undergo a simple Volunteer Screening Application, at no cost to the individual.

# CHURCH HOUSEKEEPING

As mentioned at all of the Masses last weekend, I would like to address the church entrance (that I call the North Vestibule) located by the statue of Our Lady. When the addition was put on the church in the 1980's, this door was necessary for parishioners to travel from the church to the parish hall or toward the back door of the hall. This vestibule also provides access to the only washroom on the upper floor of the hall and church. The only challenge we have is when parishioners happen to be late and come through this north door into the church, it is a distraction as all of the seated parishioners are facing in that direction.

So, the following requests are made to all parishioners:

1. Please try to be at Mass on time. Being late can become a habit (I know – I used to be late for everything) but is easily corrected with awareness and resolve. It is good

for liturgy and good for everyone when everyone is gathered as the church to celebrate the sacred liturgy of the Mass.

- 2. If you happen to be late arriving for Mass please go around to the front of the church and enter the church on the Elgin Street side through the main church doors. Kindly refrain from entering the church through the door on the north side by the statue of Our Lady. This ensures that the readings and the Eucharistic Prayer is not disturbed by movement close to the sanctuary.
- 3. If you are late for Mass and enter through the main church doors during the readings, please remain just inside the church doors and refrain from entering the church or going up to the balcony as the stairs make a great deal of noise and impedes the hearing of the Word of God. It is always best that no one is moving around during the readings. God is speaking to us, His people, so it is important that we are able to hear undisturbed.

# REFRESHER ON CATHOLIC CHURCH PROTOCOLS

#### Sing & Respond

The Second Vatican Council called for "the full and active participation of the whole Church", which is to say that if God did or didn't give you a great voice, sing anyway. Let your responses be more than a quiet whisper but truly a lifting up of the heart and voice to God in praise, thanksgiving and worship. We owe Him everything because He is our God and "it is right and just".

#### Say "Amen".

When you approach the reception of Jesus in the Eucharist, the priest says to you: "The Body of Christ". Your response should be a clear "Amen". Increasingly, many of the faithful either whisper an 'amen' or say nothing at all. Your "Amen" means that you agree, you accept that you are receiving the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus.

#### Communion in the Hand



Catholics are permitted to receive Holy Communion in the hand or on the tongue. If receiving in the hand, both hands should be flat and open with the hand you eat and write with on the bottom so that when the Host is placed in your open hand, you can carefully take it from your hand with the hand you eat and write with. For right-handed people, your right hand would be on the bottom and your left hand would

receive the Host.

While this article may not be according to what I usually write and place in the bulletin, the things we do during the Sacred Liturgy of the Mass make all the difference in the world in the way we serve, worship, pray, receive, give and live in the Church and in the world as the body of Christ. (Fr. Charles)



 $Tues\; Feb\; 4^{th}$ 

6:30pm to Mass Confession 7:00pm +Mary Villa

Requested by Tina & Family

 $Wed\;Feb\;5^{th}$ 

8:30am + Marie & Denis Fonseka

Requested by Rupika & Family

+ Paul Gerynowicz

Requested by the Cudney Family

Thurs Feb 6th

8:30am Prayers for Carmelites in

Formation

Requested by Fllo MacRae

Fri Feb  $7^{th}$ 

7:30am HOLY HOUR
8:30am +Emilia & Ted
Requested by Eva
+Claude Belcourt

Requested by Cudney Family

Sat Feb 8th

3:30 to 4:00pm Confession 4:30pm +Gene Cudney

Requested by Jon & Christina

Sun Feb 9th

9:00am +Anne Van Boxmeer

Requested by the Family

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, Mary Little, Yvonne Grimm, Janine Wright, Anne Johnston, Dorothy Shaughnessy, Rose Flanagan, Norma Still.

# Please Pray for the Recently Deceased

Michelina Iadinardi



# The Sanctuary Lamp Burns

For the Intentions of St. Mary's Parishioners Feb 2<sup>nd</sup> to Feb 8<sup>th</sup> 2025



## **COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR**

February 22, 2025

# We need your help!

We are inviting you the parishioners to either join our team, or support someone who is walking. The funds raised will support youth at risk of homelessness in the areas of Collingwood, Stayner, Wasaga Beach and Thornbury.

## Please support us as you can!

Simply **DONATE OR JOIN** our team St. Mary's Angels, to show you care! By going to <a href="mailto:cnoy.org/Collingwood">cnoy.org/Collingwood</a> and look for our team name.

If you require further information just give me a call at the parish office, and I will put you in touch with Cara, or you can email Cara at caraprimab@gmail.com
Thank You.

### ST. MARY'S POT LUCK DINNER

Following the 4:30 p.m. Mass on *Saturday, February 15*, **2025** at 5:45 p.m., in the parish hall, everyone is welcome to a potluck dinner with your fellow parishioners. We have an occupancy limit of 100 people. Please use the sign-up sheets in the hallway to let us know that you are coming and what you will contribute to the potluck dinner by February 9, 2025. For more information, please see the parish poster. Please remember to bring your own plates & cutlery as well. More questions? Contact <a href="mailto:carolhjohns@gmail.com">carolhjohns@gmail.com</a>. Hope to see you there!

#### **CONFIRMATION INFORMATION**

St. Mary's parish is inviting you to register your child for the preparation and celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation in the coming months.

## **REGISTRATION**

There will be two opportunities for parents to attend (with their child candidate) one of the two following meetings.

SUNDAY, March  $2^{nd}$  at 12:30 pm in the church OR

# WEDNESDAY, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the church WHAT TO BRING TO THE MEETING

Your child candidate

<u>A copy</u> (not the original) of your child's <u>Roman Catholic Baptismal Certificate</u> (eligibility for sacraments in the Catholic Church is only to those who are baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, proven by certificate.

PLEASE NOTE: Registration can only take place if you have provided a copy of a Catholic Baptismal Certificate.

\$50.00 Registration donation

The  $\underline{\text{completed Registration form}}$  – go to our parish website and download the form, fill it out and bring it to the parent meeting.

### SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this weekend for our Building & Maintenance.

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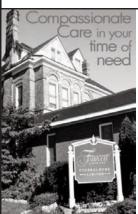
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