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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

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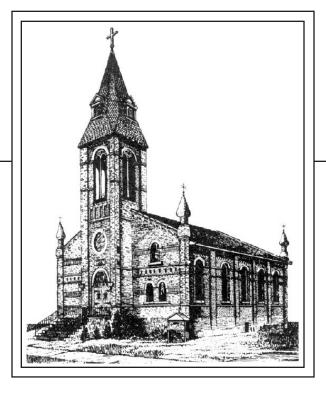
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Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

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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

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MAY: THE MONTH OF MARY

May is the month of Mary, an annual time allotted specifically of focus to our relationship with the Blessed Mother. Our Lady has so many fitting and worthy titles given her by the Church throughout history, many of them originating in approved appearances she has made along with their messages which always point to her Son and not to herself. As it has been said of her, "She is the moon that reflects the sun (Son). When we look to her she is our Mother yet still always points us to her Son, Jesus. And from the beginning of salvation history she is the one who was given to us by Jesus Himself from the pulpit of the Cross when he said to her with the Apostle John standing next to her, "Woman, here is your son. Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home." (Jn 19:26b-27) Jesus gives each of them to the other; one as a disciple – John and the other as the Mother of us all. John represents you and me as we are given her who is to be called "Our Mother". We all have a mother on earth and a Mother in heaven. Our Cardinal Archbishop has penned the following letter to us, the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto, addressing Mary as Mother.



Message for the Month of the Blessed Mother 1 May 2025

His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord, May Jesus and Mary be in your souls.

I am writing to you at the beginning of the month dedicated to the Blessed Mother. When we call Mary "Our Mother" or "Mother Mary", we simultaneously acknowledge her as the Mother of God, and as our mother. As Mother of God, Mary is the favoured one who bore the Second Person of the Trinity in her heart and in her womb (Lk 1:28-36). As our mother, she is the one given to us by Jesus himself on the Cross as our spiritual mother (Jn 19:25-27). With these three simple words, Our Blessed Mother, we recall both the Annunciation and The Crucifixion. There is an undeniable profundity and simplicity that accompanies authentic Marian spirituality and devotion, that I am inviting you to take up with greater vigour this month.

During this Holy Jubilee Year we have been called to live in hope, finding hope in God and His actions in the world (cf. Spes non Confundit, 7). Pope Francis calls Mother Mary "the supreme witness" to hope. She is the mother who pondered God's will, who never gave into despair or a sense of abandonment, who looked to the future of eternal bliss, and who selflessly gave herself to the will of God out of love (cf. CCC, 1818). As Mother of Hope, Mary is also Stella Maris, "the sure hope that, amid the

tempests of this life, the Mother of God comes to our aid, sustains us and encourages us to persevere in hope and trust" (Spes non Confundit, 24). As the first and most perfect disciple of Our Lord, Mary is the shining "star" in the sea of life. When the waters of this life become rough and threaten to drown us, Mary helps us to navigate this adversity toward her Son the source of our hope, the harbour of salvation.

When we speak about Mary the superlative is always used because she is the example par excellence. "She shows forth the victory of hope over anguish, of fellowship over solitude, of peace over anxiety, of joy and beauty over boredom and disgust, of eternal visions over earthly ones, of life over death" (Marialis Cultus, 57). As Pilgrims of Hope, we root ourselves in Jesus Christ and seek Mary's intercession.

At the beginning of March, I invited the faithful of the Archdiocese of Toronto to consecrate themselves to Our Blessed Mother on the Solemnity of the Annunciation. This invitation followed the request of Our Holy Father who also asked that all the faithful renew their consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary annually on the 25th of March (Pope Francis, General Audience, 22 March 2023). If you missed the opportunity on that Solemnity, the memorial of Our Lady of Fatima (13 May), Mary, Help of Christians (24 May), or the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (31 May) would be appropriate days to either consecrate yourself to Mother Mary or renew your consecration to her Immaculate Heart. As a communal recognition of our month-long devotion to Our Blessed Mother, on 31 May 2025, A Day with Mary, at Villanova College in King City will be celebrated. This Marian day is family-friendly with planned events and activities for the young and young at heart. I will be presiding over the concelebration of the Eucharist on that day and would like to ask that you please join me. During the month of May we seek the intercession of Our Lady, Mother of Hope, and ask her to help us see with the eyes of faith and devotion: the beauty and splendour of God in our midst and in the world.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, during the entire month of May - the month of Mary - I encourage you to take the time to get to know Our Lady better by reading about her, talking to her, seeking her help and celebrating with us on 31 May.

Finally, I humbly urge all the faithful in the Archdiocese of Toronto, our families and parishes, schools and other faith, religious and ecclesial communities and institutions, to embody certain qualities of Mary's life and devotion. How do we look to her example and learn to be true and credible believers and witnesses in our families? How do we turn to her and be inspired as our model of unwavering hope at work or at school? How do we emulate that "love beyond all telling" in our communities, which animated her personal life, her vocation, her involvement in her community of faith and her daily living? There is no better role model in living authentically and with passion and devotion the Christian life than the Mother of God, our spiritual mother, our life, our sweetness and our hope.

Blessings upon you in Jesus with Mary!



Tues May 13th

7:00pm Intentions of Guerrero Family & for the

Souls of Epifania & Guildermo Andaya

Wed May 14th

8:30am +Jean Ferguson

> Requested by Jayne Williams +Margaret & John Forget Requested by Barb Gal

Thurs May 15th

8:30am +Ianina Gal

Requested by Daughters & Grandchildren

Fri May 16th

7:30am **Holy Hour** 8:30am +Helen Adams

Requested by David & Heather Adams

Intentions of Linda Iaboni & Family

Requested by Barb Gal

Sat May 17th

8:30am **Unannounced Mass**

3:30pm Confession

4:30pm +Ted Van Boxmeer

Requested by Mary Thompson & Family

Sun May 18th

9:00am +Stanislav & Jadwiga Jamroz

Requested by Jamroz Family

For the People 11:00am

Please Pray for the Sick

Fred Coulson, Hilary Joseph, Albert Sant, Teresa Kosierb, Elizabeth Pavilsa, Alex Poirier & Family, Tammy MacDonald, Anita Taglione, Mary Little, Yvonne Grimm, Janine Wright, Anne Johnston, Dorothy Shaughnessy, Rose Flanagan, Norma Still, Pat Ironside-Mayes, Bev Underhill.

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased



The Sanctuary Lamp Burns For the Parishioners of St. Mary's

May 11th to May 17th

Regular Collection Inc PAG \$4373.85



The Funeral Mass for Jim Marshall will take place here at St. Mary's on Friday May 16th at 10:30am. Jim passed away on March 6th, 2025

4th Sunday of Easter **World Day of Prayers** for Vocations



Mother's Day May 11, 2025

Sow the seeds of hope for the next generation

The future of the Church depends on men and women heroically answering God's call. When you support ShareLife, you enable the discernment, formation and education of those who will serve in our parishes through the Office of Vocations and seminaries. Your kindness makes it possible for future priests to attend St. Augustine's Seminary and the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary where they learn to tend to the Lord's vineyard and work for the salvation of souls. In addition, St. Augustine's Seminary educates permanent deacons and lay people serving our parishes. Thank you for your prayers and commitment towards young people on their journeys of faith.

Thus far, we have raised \$17,250.95 toward our goal of \$46,500.00. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

An Evening of Jubilation & Praise St. Michael's Choir School Concert

St. Margaret's Parish in Midland, as part of their 2025 Year of Jubilee celebration will have the honour of hosting the St. Michael's Choir School for a concert on Friday May 30th at 6:30pm.

Tickets can be purchased online at

https://square.link/u/otwi5)WR or by contacting Deacon Tim Dunlop at 705 528 2927 or Katie Goulbourne at 705 529 9537. Tickets are \$50.00

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus unfortunately must inform you that we had to cancel the Italian Dinner that was scheduled for Saturday May 10th. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused. Anyone that has pre purchased a ticket will be fully reimbursed. We will keep you informed on any upcoming events. Thank you.



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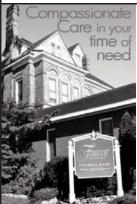
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