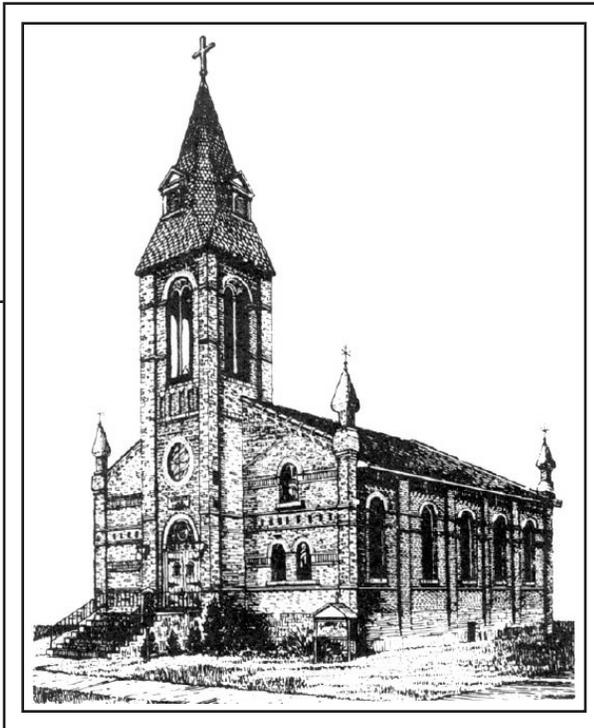


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**PARISH REGISTRATION:** All parishioners should be registered. Registration cards can be found in the Church foyer or at the parish office. Would you kindly notify the office when you are moving out of the parish.

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## IMMIGRATION HELP NEEDED

One of the community advantages of a parish is that many people, perhaps unknown to others, have more direct connections regarding immigration matters. I am aware of two families of parishioners who have faced difficulties in their efforts to stay in Canada. Since government departments are large and complex, individuals can easily fall through the cracks or become victims of system irregularities. A more direct connection is very helpful in these cases, providing assistance to those navigating immigration into Canada.

If anyone knows someone I can speak to directly on behalf of these two families, I would appreciate you contacting me through the parish office so that we can work together to help.

*"I was a stranger, and you welcomed me." (Matt. 25:35c)*

SAINT MARY'S PARISH, COLLINGWOOD  
LENTEN PARISH MISSION

Guest Speaker: Mark Mallett

Mon. Mar. 9 / Tues. Mar. 10 / Wed. Mar. 11  
each evening at 7:00 pm. in the church

I have personally known Mark Mallett for the past 8-years after I invited him to my former parish, St. Leo the Great, in Brooklin, Ontario, to give a three-day Mission. The following year I was privileged to have Mark join some of our parishioners on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. For me, a speaker who talks on matters of the faith must first and foremost have a deep love for Our Lord Jesus Christ. An educated person can read texts and speak on them and still have no direct connection to them and their truths in relationship. But Christ is all about relationship, close, loving relationship. He said, *"Whoever has my commandments and observes them is the one who loves me. And whoever loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and reveal myself to him."* (Jn 14:21)

Mark's love for Jesus is not only evident in the life he lives and gives for the good of the Church, but also is visible in the powerful and beautiful way he speaks about Jesus in his **THE NOW WORD** found on [thenowword@markmallett.com](mailto:thenowword@markmallett.com) and in the songs he has written and performed. He is a prophets' voice in our time, calling us out of the stagnant ways of the world to the heart of Jesus Christ.

In writing regularly to such a vast audience globally, Mark addresses so many contemporary issues that effect man's response to God. His blog also attracts some who would debate him on the Catholic Church's stance on such subjects as his recent article, entitled – IS JESUS THE ONLY MEDIATOR? His article was part II of his previous article called CAN MARY SPEAK TO US? A protestant follower wrote him disagreeing with Mark's solid Catholic stance on the teachings of the Apostles, the Early Church Fathers, the popes, the Saints and Martyrs and the Catechism. And all this at a time when it seems many protestants are seeking

to understand the Catholic Church and her teachings, perhaps because the Church has taken them to the airwaves, the internet, YouTube and so many great Catholic podcasters who defend the faith and offer sound apologetics for what we have always believed and why.

Here's a sample of a recent posting by Mark Mallett in addressing a protestants question about the Blessed Mother.

**Mark, I appreciate this blog and Searching for God. As a Protestant, I have problems with you continually referring to messages reportedly from the mother of Jesus, for whom there is no biblical suggestion that she even communicates with us humans. Mary was a sinner, as we are, even though we should honor her. I appreciate your blog when you use biblical references and also those of great saints in the church. Being a Catholic should not keep you from asking yourself those types of questions.**

There is a secondary point my reader raises, claiming that "Mary was a sinner, as we are." I will briefly touch on this, since it will lead us to the first objection of my reader. 2000 years of Tradition affirm that, by virtue of the merits of Christ's Passion, the Mother of Jesus was preserved from sin. This grace was given to her at the moment of her conception (what we call the "Immaculate Conception"). Ontologically speaking, she was preserved from original sin in order that Christ's own body, taken from her flesh, would be "unblemished" — the spotless "Lamb of God" who would become a sinless offering on behalf of mankind.

This would bear enormous significance, not only for our salvation but sanctification — when the Church would follow Christ's command to eat His Body and drink His Blood "in memory of Me" (Luke 22:19).

**I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is My flesh for the life of the world.** (John 6:51) I would be remiss if I did not quote a famous Protestant who did not question Mary's spiritual motherhood:

**"Mary is the Mother of Jesus and the Mother of all of us even though it was Christ alone who reposed on her knees... If He is ours, we ought to be in His situation; there where He is, we ought also to be and all that He has ought to be ours, and His mother is also our mother."** —Martin Luther, *Sermon*, Christmas, 1529.

All of this brings us to the initial objection: that there is no biblical evidence that Mary "even communicates with us humans." On the contrary, there is plenty of biblical evidence that those who have died can not only be granted a window into our lives here on earth, insofar as God deigns, but that they can even *appear* to us on earth. For example, in Revelation 6, we read how the martyrs are made aware of the sacrifices that must continue on earth for a time. **"Each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to be patient a little while longer until the number was filled of their fellow servants and brothers who were going to be killed as they had been."** (Revelation 6:11)

This is but a brief taste of the goodness and talent in Mark's writing as all Christians work toward and debate forward to finding the truth and fullness of Jesus found in the Church. Be sure to plan to be here for our Lenten Mission in March. *FrC*

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

Tue Feb 3 <sup>rd</sup> 7:00pm	+Jolanta Okon Requested by Janusz Okon
Wed Feb 4 <sup>th</sup> 8:30am	Intentions of the Guerrero Family  Unannounced Mass
Thurs Feb 5 <sup>th</sup> 8:30am	+Dan Braniff Requested by Pat & Family
Fri Feb 6 <sup>th</sup> 7:30am 8:30am	HOLY HOUR Intentions of Danika Van Niekerk Requested by Sandra Gulley  Unannounced Mass
Sat Feb 7 <sup>th</sup> 8:30am	+Andrzej Lysakowski Requested by Gal & Jagielski Family
	4:30pm +Pat Chalmers Requested by St. Mary's CWL
Sun Feb 8 <sup>th</sup> 9:00am	For the People
11:00am	+Mario Carlucci Requested by Antonietta & Domenic Sanfilippo

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Mary Little, Alex Poirier, Hudson Ford, Janine Wright.



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