St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

serving the Roman Catholic Communities of Fort Frances & Couchiching First Nation





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(events celebrated at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish are denoted by OLOL)

Summer Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00 pm Sunday - 9:00 am OLOL, 11:00 am Tuesday - Saturday - 9:00 am

Bear Pass Summer Chapel

Fridays June thru August 7:00 pm

Rosary

Weekdays following mass Sunday - 8:40 am OLOL

Baptisms

Please call 3 months in advance Baptism Preparation Class every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

Reconciliation

Weekdays 8:30 - 9:00 am Saturday 9:30 am - 12:00 pm Sunday 10:00 - 11:00 am 8:30 - 9:00 am OLOL or by appointment

Anointing of the Sick

Please call to request a visit, or in an emergency ask hospital staff for "Roman Catholic Priest on call"

Marriage

Please call 6 months in advance

Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

Process begins in September, please call at any time

Children's Liturgy

During Sunday Masses September thru May

Adoration

Suspended until September

Join Us!

To become a parishioner, please complete a Parish Registration form at the entrance of the church.



We are bonded together by a deep, personal faith in Jesus Christ, and called to the fullness of Christian life by virtue of Baptism and Confirmation and the perfection of love.



August 1, 2021

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Bread of Life

August 8, 2021 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASSES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Tuesday 3rd

9^{am} + Joan McTavish - Kathy & Terry Mueller

Wednesday 4th

9am Intentions of Dave Black – Staff of the Northwest Catholic District School Board

Thursday 5th

9am + Joan McTavish - Marg Rousseau

Friday 6th 7pm at Bear's Pass Chapel

9^{am} Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform Herself in the light of the Gospel.

7pm Intentions of Danielle Halliday – Ingrid Carlson

Saturday 7th (9am Healing Mass)

9am + Joan McTavish - Dan & Kathy Loney

5^{pm} + Joan McTavish – Bruce & Evelyn Rawn

Sunday 8th (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)

9am + Glenn Jourdain - Bob & Paulette DeVos

11^{am} + Bryan Calder – The Mathews & Klymko Families

Tuesday 10th

9^{am} + Bryan Calder – Alan & Anne Zucchiatti

Wednesday 11th

9am + Joan McTavish – Dorothy & Werner Doebele

Thursday 12th

9^{am} + Joan McTavish - Bob & Paulette DeVos

Friday 13th 7pm at Bear's Pass Chapel

9^{am} + Deceased Loved Ones – The Bereavement Group

7pm Intentions for Marilyn & David O'Dell's 50th Wedding Anniversary (August 14, 2021)

Saturday 14th (9am Sacrament of the Sick)

9am + Grandparents - Tom & Tina Rawn

5^{pm} In Thanksgiving – Dwayne & Susan Hunking

Sunday 15th (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)

9^{am} + Jack Dillon – Vince & Barb Godbout

11^{am} + Dennis Huntley – Sandra & Jim McKinnon

August 1, 2021

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Exodus 16.2-4, 12-15, 31a) **2nd reading:** (Ephesians 4.17, 20-24)

Gospel: (John 6.24-35)

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry.

August 8, 2021

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (1 Kings 19.4-8) **2nd reading: (**Ephesians 4.30 – 5.2)

Gospel: (John 6.41-51)

I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

St. John Vianney - Patron Saint of Parish Priests

St. John Vianney (*Jean-Baptiste-Marie Vianney*) was a French priest who was acclaimed as a confessor and for his miraculous powers. He is the Patron Saint of Diocesan Priests and Parish Priests.

When he became priest of the small village of Ars, he made it a model parish and from which reports of his holiness and his mystical powers soon spread. He was known for his devotion to the Virgin Mary and to St. Philomena. His commitment to the sacrament of reconciliation (confession) for his parishioners was exceptional. He was convinced that, "The Lord is more anxious to forgive our sins than a woman is to carry her baby out of a burning building".

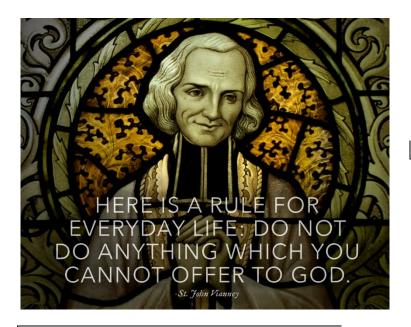
About 20,000 persons visited Ars every year to see Vianney and especially, to make their confession to him. They clearly understood what Vianney said, "See, my children, a person who is in a state of sin is always sad. Whatever he does, he is weary and disgusted with everything; while he who is at peace with God is always happy, always joyous... Oh, beautiful life! Oh, beautiful death!"

During the last ten years of his life, he spent 16 to 18 hours a day in the confessional. Even the bishop forbade him to attend the annual retreats of the diocesan clergy because of the souls awaiting him. He was canonized by Pope Pius XI.

St. John Vianney knew the significance of people praying together as he would often say: "Private prayer is like straw scattered here and there: If you set it on fire, it makes a lot of little flames. But gather these straws into a bundle and light them, and you get a mighty fire, rising like a column into the sky; public prayer is like that."

As we celebrate his *feast day on August 4th*, we remember the diocesan priests and parish priests all over the world and pray that they possess the vision and mission of St. John Vianney and for the grace to love God eternally.

In love and truth, Fr. Gino Mathias



ST. MARY'S

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Shirley Fraser, Queenie Leschinski, Maurice DeGagné, Larry Mattson, Noella & Rick Hamilton, David Whalen, Isabella Keuler, Laura Dillon, Art Cross, David Cross, Keagan Evans, Julie Halvorsen, Patrick McColeman, Bridger Hands, Mary Kolynchuk, Lori Woodgate, Ewan MacKintosh, Jon Fryer, Father Ben Hadrich, Yvette Beck, Frank Ball, Lolly Brunetta, Pat Hudson, Nora Paulenko, Frank Strain, Kathleen DeGagné, Valeda Cousineau

Offertory Collection for St. Mary's <u>Weekend Of</u> July 18 - \$2415.00 July 25 - \$6461.20

Offertory Collection for Bear Pass July 16 - \$200.00 July 23 - \$200.00



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH NEWS

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Linda Anderson, Doug Cross, Curtis Jourdain, Florence Lampi, Mary Lou Parks, Shirley A. Bruyere, Sue Foran-Ross, Dale Krueger, Angela Bruyere, Steven "Beaver" Morrisseau, Janice Parks

Offertory Collection for Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekend Of

July 18 - \$692.00

July 25 - \$363.00

The third Sunday of every month will be Food Box Sunday. Bring non-perishable food items for the needy.



A special thank you to Pearl DeGagné for organizing the prayer chain for my son-in-law, John Hempstock. Thanks so much for the support and prayers over the past few weeks.

God Bless you all!

Deloras Chabot & Nancy Hempstock

CWL National Annual Meetings

Five hundred Catholic women and guests of faith will meet virtually on August 9th and 10th for the 100th and 101st national annual meetings of



members of *The Catholic Women's League of Canada* with the theme, *Care for Our Common Home*. Let us take time to pray for this gathering in which discussion will take place regarding the challenges of the pandemic and plans for the future. **May God bless the League with women of strong faith, commitment and vision. Our Lady of Good Council, pray for the League.**

All ladies of our parish who have not renewed their membership for 2021 or wish to become a new member, please pick up a form at the entrance of the church. Your membership dues help fund the many programs the CWL sponsors in both our parish and our community. Whether you decide to be an active member or a card holding member, the CWL welcomes you to the League.



Congratulations to Keith & Miranda Dane who had their son, Eric Patrick, baptized on July 17th. Also, congratulations to Erik & Tamara Sinclair who had their daughter, Everleigh Grace, baptized on July 17th.

We are working on getting the children who have been preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion sacraments over the last 2 years. Father is willing to do private ceremonies or during the Saturday masses.



Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements or for further information.



We will be able to start our Children's Liturgy program in September. We hope to get two or more volunteers to run the program every Sunday during 11am mass. If you can spare a couple Sundays a

month, please contact the Parish Office at 274-5233 or talk to Father Gino. Thank you!

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