

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.



July 18, 2021

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



July 25, 2021

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASSES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Tuesday 20th

9^{am} + Joan McTavish – Margrit Schaum

Wednesday 21st

9^{am} Intentions of Bill Douglas – Staff of the Northwest Catholic District School Board

Thursday 22nd

9^{am} + Joan McTavish – St. Mary's Catholic Women's League

Friday 23rd 7pm at Bear's Pass Chapel

9^{am} + Dennis Huntley - Grace

7^{pm} + Dianne Pattison – The LePine Family

Saturday 24th (9am Healing Mass)

9^{am} + Clementina Fontana – The Family

5^{pm} + Denis Gagné – Anna McNay

Sunday 25th (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)

9^{am} + Dr. Angus MacKintosh – David, Terril, Jeremy, Mary & Sarah Strain

11^{am} + Nicholas Delvecchio – Tina & Jamie Roth
For the Intentions of Verlaine Rodrigues
– The Rodrigues Family

Tuesday 27th

9^{am} + Joan McTavish – Grace Huntley

Wednesday 28th

9^{am} Intentions of Terry Hrychuk – Staff of the Northwest Catholic District School Board

Thursday 29th

9^{am} + Joan McTavish – Gladys Payne

Friday 30th 7pm at Bear's Pass Chapel

9^{am} + Jim Ryan – Gemma Lamonato

7^{pm} + Deceased members of the Ferguson, Belluz & Delzotto Families – Emma Marie Seppo & Family

Saturday 31st (9am Healing Mass)

9^{am} Intentions for Don & Bea Galbraith's 65th Wedding Anniversary (July 5, 2021)

5^{pm} + Madeline Tucker – Louella

Sunday 1st (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)

9^{am} + Mom, + Dad & + Dan – Jan & Lori

11^{am} + Ron Bernardi – St. Mary's Parish and
+ Joan McTavish – Jean & Eloise Camirand

July 18, 2021

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Jeremiah 23.1-6)

2nd reading: (Ephesians 2.13-18)

Gospel: (Mark 6.30-34)

They were like sheep without a shepherd.

July 25, 2021

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (2 Kings 4.42-44)

2nd reading: (Ephesians 4.1-6)

Gospel: (John 6.1-15)

Jesus distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



1st World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Dear Friends

On January 31, 2021, Pope Francis announced a new celebration in honour of all grandparents and the elderly, who are so important to our communities and our Church. This new World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated every year on the fourth Sunday in July.

Pope Francis has also granted a plenary indulgence to grandparents, the elderly, and all those who participate in a solemn celebration of this day as well as to those who spend time (actually or virtually) with an elderly brother or sister in need on this day.

Being an elderly person himself, Pope Francis feels with the grandparents and he encourages all of them, "the whole Church is close to you – to us – and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone!"

The Pope understands the pain we all go through in this unending and exhaustive pandemic. The isolations and loneliness should never put us down as we are to feel the assuring presence of Jesus Christ in all times, "I am with you always" (Mt 28:20).

Jesus' presence can be felt through the angels like the grandkids, friends and families. The elders are requested to impart the gift of faith to the people around. The Pope urges all the grandparents and elders to start something new everyday as he says, "because there is no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to your grandchildren. You just need to set out and undertake something new."

May the Almighty God bless all the grandparents and the elderly in our community.

In love and Truth,
Fr. Gino Mathias



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.

Important Update on Covid-19

July 12, 2021

Dear Friends,

On Friday, July 16th, the province of Ontario entered into the Third Step of reopening. This means our churches can now be filled to their capacity, as much as 'social distancing' allows. Masks are still to be worn, and with hand sanitizing at the doors of the church. No congregational singing, or shaking of hands, and only Holy Communion in the hand remain. Still no children's liturgies. We hope that as we pass through this final reopening step, there will be a greater lessening of these protocols.

Thank you for your patience and we welcome you back to church on Sunday if you feel comfortable to return. Thank you also for your continued financial support to our parish communities. You can still follow Sunday Mass at our diocesan website (www.dotb.ca) or from your parish live-streaming. Please have a safe summer and get vaccinated. God's blessings to you all.

Sincerely,

Bishop Fred Colli

Bishop of Thunder Bay

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
Weekend Of*

July 4 - \$1660.00

July 11 - \$2710.00

Offertory Collection for Bear Pass

July 2 - \$100.00

July 9 - \$143.00

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 4 - \$592.00

July 11 - \$405.00

Confession & Mass times



Father Gino is available for Confessions

Weekdays 8:30 am - 9:00 am

Saturdays 9:30 am - 12:00 pm

Sundays 8:30 am (Our Lady of Lourdes)
10:00 am - 11:00am

Or call the parish office to make an appointment.

MASS SCHEDULE

Friday @ Bear Pass Chapel 7:00pm

Tuesday - Saturday 9:00am

Saturday 5:00pm

**Sunday 9:00am (OLOL)
11:00am**

We will be praying the rosary after the weekday masses. If you would like a decade of the rosary prayed for your intentions, contact the Parish Office at 274-5233



The next Blessed Conversations gathering will be on Monday, July 26th at 6:30pm. For details or if you would like to join, contact Johanna Strahl at 271-5491, or johanna.strahl1@gmail.com

Spiritual Library

We are planning to set up a Spiritual Library in the meeting room. We are looking for some bookcases to do this. If you have any bookcases you no longer need, we would be happy to take them off your hands! Please contact the Parish Office at 274-5233 if you can help with this.



FYI: Bulletins will be printed every two weeks during the summer months beginning July 2nd. Let the office know if there is something you would like to add to the bulletin. Please be aware of

the dates if it is time sensitive. Thank you. The parish office is now of summer office hours and is closed on Fridays for July and August. If you would like to receive the bulletin by email, contact the parish office at stmarys@tbaytel.net or 274-5233.

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