

St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



Parish Office

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Parish Staff

Mrs. Tina Roth, Administrative Secretary, stmarys@tbaytel.net
Mr. Gerald Cousineau, Custodian

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

Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 9:00 am OLOL, 11:00 am

Tuesday - 6:00 pm W

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday - 9:00 am

Thursday (Rainycrest) - 10:00 am

Rosary

WWeekdays following mass

S Sunday 8:40 am OLOL

OLOL

Adoration

Tuesday (Silent) 6:30-7:30 pm

Friday 9:30-10:30 am

Baptisms

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

Reconciliation

WWeekdays 8:30 - 9:00 am

Saturday 4:30 - 5:00 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

PIPlease 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

Bear Pass Summer Chapel

Fridays June thru August - 7:00 pm

Join Us!

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

*****OUR MISSION*****



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.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 28th

6pm Intentions of Barb Godbout - Louella

Wednesday 29th

9am + Mary Kingerski - Anna McNay

Thursday 30th

Rainycrest is open!

10am + Margaret Koles - Loretta Brunetta

6pm Service at Our Lady of Lourdes in Honour of National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Friday 1st

9am We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

Saturday 2nd

(9am Healing Mass)

9am + Isle Willburger - Margrit Schaum & Family

5pm + Audrey Forster - Tina Roth & Maria Slusarchuk

Sunday 3rd **(9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)**

9am + Glenn Jourdain - Margrit Schaum

11am + Conor McManaman - Northwest Catholic District School Board

September 26, 2021

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Numbers 11.25-29)

2nd reading: (James 5.1-6)

Gospel: (Mark 9.38-43, 45, 47-48)

Whoever is not against us is with us. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off.

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 6:00pm

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 9:00am

Thursday (Rainycrest) 10:00am

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

What's going on?!

Sept. 27 - Blessed is She - 6:30pm (meeting room)

Sept. 30 - The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Parish Office Closed

Oct. 3 - Life Chain Event - 2 - 3 pm



Patron of Charities

The Church celebrates the feast of the patron of charities, **St. Vincent de Paul**, on September 27.

The French saint is primarily recognized for his charity and compassion for the poor. "Go to the poor: you will find God" was the key idea of St. Vincent de Paul. Charity was certainly greater than any rule for him as He stressed that all rules must lead to charity.

He would ask us to unconditionally love the poor, "You will find out that Charity is a heavy burden to carry, heavier than the kettle of soup and the full basket. But you will keep your gentleness and your smile. You are the servant of the poor, always smiling and good-humored. They are your masters, terribly sensitive and exacting masters you will see. And the uglier and the dirtier they will be, the more unjust and insulting, the more love you must give them".

St. Vincent de Paul was the founder of the Congregation of the Mission (Lazarists, or Vincentians). He is also the patron of horses; hospitals; leprosy; lost articles; Madagascar; prisoners; Richmond, Virginia; spiritual help; Saint Vincent de Paul Societies; Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory; Vincentian Service Corps; volunteers.

We all understand that no act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted and no one has ever become poor by giving. Let us all cultivate the habit of giving to the needy and the poor. **If you do want to participate in giving, call our church office and say you want to support the homeless and poor, we would be glad to be your better medium.**

May God bless the cheerful giver.

In love and truth,

Rev. Gino Mathias

Honouring NATIONAL DAY for Truth and Reconciliation
September 30

Candlelight walk at 6^{pm} at Our Lady of Lourdes

WE MUST LOVE OUR NEIGHBOUR AS BEING MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD AND AS AN OBJECT OF HIS LOVE.
SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL



We have been asked to do a couple videos for the Thunder Bay Street Gospel at the beginning of October. A couple of our parishioners

participated in the past and the videos are wonderful!! If you are interested in sharing your love of the Lord, please let Father Gino know or contact the Parish Office. Take a look at the following links to their page to get an idea of what you will be asked to do:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCulVPZ4nSYabUU6FwO_inw or <https://m.facebook.com/Thunder-Bay-Street-Gospel-1121471084600328/>

The CWL 50/50 tickets are available at the parish office or from CWL members. If you would like a couple books to sell, let the parish office know. Please remember that each ticket is \$2.00 and you could potentially win \$3000!! Sold tickets can be returned to the parish office or put in the collection basket.



CWL Memberships 2021: Diane Lovisa is still working on the membership for 2021, there are just over a dozen left to renew!!! Membership dues are \$25 with cheques payable to Catholic Women's League and can be dropped off at the church office or put in the collection basket at mass. If you have any questions about your membership, call Diane at 274-7682 or email her diane58@tbaytel.net.



The Blessed Is She Women's group gathering is Monday, September 27th at 6:30pm in the meeting room. If you are interested in joining, contact Johanna Strahl at 271-5491, or johanna.strahl1@gmail.com

From the Bishop's Office:

Unless there is a medical reason to prevent vaccination, it is considered ethical and morally acceptable to use the available vaccines in the context of a global pandemic. In fact, there is a positive duty to save lives whenever we are able to do so. Pope Francis and Cardinal Collins have both publicly communicated the importance of vaccination as an act of charity and love. The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has declared the COVID-19 vaccines to be morally licit and has said they can be used in good conscience. We must strive to do all that we can to minimize the potential transmission of COVID-19.

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

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, 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
Sept. 19 - \$5608.30*



**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
Sept. 19 - \$719.00*

ANNUAL DIOCESAN MINISTRY CAMPAIGN 2021

The theme for this year's campaign is "Extraordinary Time of Prayer and Sharing". This comes from Pope Francis when he prayed for the entire world for relief from the pandemic. Our needs and concerns have increased since the beginning of this crisis. The Pope reminded us that even in the darkest moments, God is always with us!

St. Mary's has collected \$7,022.50 of \$25,000.00.

LOL has collected \$450.00 of \$4,000.00.

The campaign ends of December 31, 2021. The funds must be at the Diocese Office by Jan. 4, 2022. This funds from this campaign continue to bring hope and assurance to our parish and the parishes in our diocese.



We would like to get some volunteers to help out with our ministries. We need additional Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers. We also want to start our Hospitality Ministry back up. We are working on figuring out how to run our Youth Ministry starting from the ground up! If you would like more information or are interested in joining or helping out with any of these ministries, please contact the Parish Office at 274-5233 or talk to Father Gino.

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