

# St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



## Parish Office

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## Pastoral Team

Reverend Gino Mathias, Pastor  
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## Parish Staff

Mrs. Tina Roth, Administrative Secretary  
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## Join Us!

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

(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  
Wednesday, Friday, Saturday - 9:00 am  
Thursday (Rainycrest) - 10:00 am

## Rosary

Weekdays following mass  
Sunday 8:40 am OLOL

## Adoration

Tuesday 6:20 - 7:00 pm

## Holy Hour

Friday 9:30 - 10:30 am

## Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

Process begins in September,  
please call at any time

## Children's Liturgy

During Sunday Masses  
September thru May

## 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 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

Please call 6 months in advance

\*\*\*\*\*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.



**Your faith  
has made  
you well.**

**October 24, 2021**  
**30<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>**

**6pm** + Ilse Willburger – Margrit Schaum & Family

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>**

**9am** Intentions of Linda Blanc – Janice, Anne,  
Rita & Rochelle

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Rainycrest**

**10am Prayer Service**

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup>**

**9am NO MASS**

**Saturday 30<sup>th</sup>**

**9am NO MASS**

**5pm** + Stella Struck – Lillian, Anita and Families

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)**

**9am** Intentions for Youth, Teens, College & University  
Students - Debbie

**11am** + Gertie Bujold – Grace Huntley

**October 24, 2021**

**30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1st reading: (Jeremiah 31.7-9)**

**2nd reading: (Hebrews 5.1-6)**

**Gospel: (Mark 10.46-52)**

***My teacher, let me see again.***

**What's going on?!**

Oct. 26 – Blessed Is She – 7:00pm

Nov. 2 – All Soul's Day Memorial Mass – 6:00pm

Nov. 3 – CWL Memorial Mass- 6:00pm



**We will be having a Memorial Mass at 6pm on Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> – All Souls Day. At this special mass we will remember our deceased parishioners who passed away between November 2020 and October 2021. Due to the pandemic, we may not have all the deceased names. If you have a loved one who passed away during this time, please contact the Parish Office at 274-5233 to be sure we have their name.**

**FROM THE  
PASTOR'S DESK**



**Mission Sunday, 2021**

**“We cannot but speak about what we have  
seen and heard” (Acts 4:20)**

(Digest of Pope Frances' Message on World Mission  
Day)

Once we experience the power of God's love, and recognize his fatherly presence in our personal and community life, we cannot help but proclaim and share what we have seen and heard. No one is excluded, no one needs to feel distant or removed from this compassionate love.

On World Mission Day, which we celebrate each year on the penultimate Sunday of October, we recall with gratitude all those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel. Let us remember especially all those who resolutely set out, leaving home and family behind, to bring the Gospel to all those places and people a thirst for its saving message.

Contemplating their missionary witness, we are inspired to be courageous. We know that the call to mission is not a thing of the past. Today too Jesus needs hearts capable of experiencing vocation. It urges them to go forth to the peripheries of our world as messengers and agents of compassion. He addresses this call to everyone, and in different ways. We can think of the peripheries all around us, in the heart of our cities or our own families. Universal openness to love has an existential dimension. It is always important to widen our circle, but especially in these times of pandemic, to reach out to others who, albeit physically close to us, are not immediately part of our “circle of interests” (cf. Fratelli Tutti, 97). To be on mission is to be willing to think as Christ does, to believe with him that those around us are also my brothers and sisters. May his compassionate love touch our hearts and make us all true missionary disciples.

May Mary, the first missionary disciple, increase in all the baptized the desire to be salt and light in our lands.

May the missionary zeal increase in our churches.

In love and truth,  
Rev. Gino Mathias





**October 24, 2021 is World Mission Sunday.** This year's theme is: **"We cannot but speak about what we have seen and**

**heard"** (Acts 4:20). The primary purpose of World Mission Sunday is to unite Catholics all over the world in prayer and support of the missions. It encourages prayer and financial assistance for the missionary work of the Catholic Church throughout the world. It enables the Gospel, the Good News, to reach millions who are yet to hear it and support many who daily experience a significant lack of basic needs. This financial assistance provides places of prayer and worship, improved health care and education for the poor and for the needs of our missionaries. The donations will also go to the training of thousands of catechists who share the Gospel message of love.



**CWL Executive 2022 - 2023:** Volunteers are needed to sit on St. Mary's CWL Executive if our council is to remain viable and making a difference in the lives of people. The executive works as a team to organize and carry out the activities of our council. The term of office is two years and involves executive meetings once a month except for June and July. It is a great opportunity to get to know about the League and to enjoy fellowship with other CWL members. Most of our older members are unable to take part in the executive and/or have already done so; therefore, it is up to the younger members to step forward in faith and action! Call Diane (481-9787) or email her ([dunninn@bell.net](mailto:dunninn@bell.net)) if you are interested in being on the executive. **"It really doesn't matter how much of the rules or dogma we accepted and lived by if we're not really living by the fundamental creed of the Catholic Church which is service to others ..."** Martin Sheen

**Please return all sold 50/50 tickets to the Parish Office.**

**The CWL is raising money to address the needs of the pregnant women in our community. We have collected \$400 but will continue accepting donations through the end of October. (The CWL will match donations up to \$400.) October is ProLife month. Please drop donations off at the Parish Office marked Baby Project. Thank you for your generosity!!**



St. Joseph Retreat via Zoom October 30, 2021 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The Thunder Bay Diocesan Council of the CWL is continuing its monthly Zoom retreats on Saturday October 30. This month's theme *St. Joseph, Terror of Demons*. Msgr. P. Stilla will be our spiritual leader. We welcome everyone to join us. Come for the whole day or part of the day. Msgr. Stilla's presentation will begin after the opening prayer. The zoom link will be posted to the CWL website ([www.cwlthunderbay.org](http://www.cwlthunderbay.org)). Hope to see you in zoom!

## **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



*Offertory Collection for St. Mary's  
Weekend Of  
Oct. 17 - \$852.00*



## **OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH NEWS**

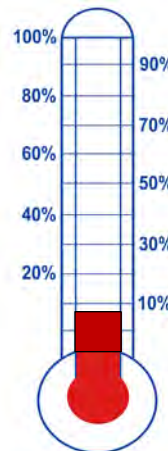
**In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:**

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  
Oct. 17 - \$434.00*

## **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. The Pope reminded us that even in the darkest moments, God is always with us!



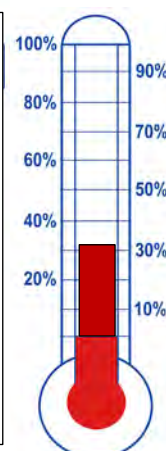
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**Goal:**

**\$4,000.00**

**Received:  
\$450.00**

**THANK  
YOU!!**



**St. Mary's**

**Goal:**

**\$25,000.00**

**Received:  
\$8297.50**

**THANK  
YOU!!**

**Please help us reach our goal. Funds must be at the Chancery Office before Dec. 31, 2021. The remaining balance will be taken from the Parish General Account.**

*Many Thanks*

I would like to thank all of my fellow parishioners at St. Mary's and Our Lady of Lourdes for your prayers during my recent bump in the road of life. I am truly

thankful for your prayers and for all the care givers that kept my hopes and determination strong!

**THANK YOU!!**

**Frank Strain**

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