

# St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



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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.



**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>**

**6pm** + Joan McTavish – The McColman Family

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>**

**9am** + Jack Ducharme – The Family

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Rainycrest is open!**

**10am** + Valeda Cousineau – Margrit Schaum

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup>**

**9am** + Ilse Willburger – Margrit Schaum & Family

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> (9am Sacrament of the Sick)**

**9am** + Armand Lambert – Elizabeth Mueller & Family

**5pm** + Armand Lambert – Bob & Paulette DeVos

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)**

**9am** Intentions of Morgan & Corey Smith's Marriage  
– The Staff of St. Mary School

**11am** + Rommel Blasé – The Family and the Intentions  
Of Nellie Domingues – The Rodrigues Family

**October 10, 2021**

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

**1st reading:** (Wisdom 7.7-11)

**2nd reading:** (Hebrews 4.12-13)

**Gospel:** (Mark 10.17-30)

*Go, sell what you own; then follow me.*

**What's going on?!**

Oct. 11 – Thanksgiving – Parish Office Closed

Oct. 12 – Bereavement Group – 1:00pm  
– Blessed Is She – 7:00pm (meeting room)

Oct. 19 – Assoc. of Ste. Marguerite d'Youville – 1:00pm



**Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Brady and Tanikka Caul who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. May you enjoy a lifetime of blessings and happiness!**



"When you pray the Rosary, the Blessed Mother comes instantly to your side to pray with you. And she does not come alone. She brings angels with her. And not just one or two for she is the Queen of Angels, so choirs of angels come with her. And she and Jesus are joined at the heart and cannot be separated so she brings Jesus with her. And Jesus cannot be separated from the Trinity so He brings the Father and the Holy Spirit with Him. And where the Holy Trinity is all of creation is... is it any wonder that anyone who prays the Rosary from the heart is so blessed and protected and powerful in their prayers for others?" — Fr. Gabriel Amorth

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK**



**Our Lady of the Rosary**

Our Rosary is like a garland offered to Mary because we pray a prayer on each bead. The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, formerly known as **Our Lady of Victory** and Feast of the Holy Rosary, is celebrated on 7 October.

Saint Dominic received a vision of the Blessed Virgin, who gave him the rosary as a tool against heretics. The development of Rosary owes much to the followers of St. Dominic, including the 15th-century priest and teacher, Alanus de Rupe.

Pius V instituted the feast of Our Lady of Victory to commemorate the victory at Lepanto, which he attributed to the Blessed Virgin Mary. In 1573, Pope Gregory XIII changed the name of the feast to Feast of the Holy Rosary, to be celebrated on the first Sunday of October. Pius XII called it a compendium of the gospel.

The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. We sense that Jesus and Mary are with us in the joys and sorrows of life. We grow in hope that God will bring us to share in the glory of Jesus and Mary forever.

I most **sincerely thank all our parishioners who recite the holy Rosary after the weekday masses** offering every decade for the intention of the faithful from not only our parish but also from all over the world.

If you practice no other devotion in the spiritual life, pray the rosary. Through it, you will obtain all that you need and will vanquish the enemies of your soul. Through it, you will find peace and joy in the trials of life. Conquer the devil—pray the rosary!

May God bless us through the intercessions of our Saint Mary.

Fr. Gino Mathias





**World Food Day,** Saturday, Oct. 16 - we pray for those who have inadequate food supplies and for the protection of the environment from climate change. Please bring items for the food bank or make donations to international food agencies.

We, who are celebrating Thanksgiving Day, have so much for which to be thankful. May our gratitude flow over into generosity. Thank you.

**Note: the rosary will be prayed before the 5:00 mass for World Food Day.**

The CWL 50/50 tickets are available at the parish office or from CWL members. 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.



**The CWL is raising money to address the needs of the pregnant women in our community. They will match donations up to a total of \$400. October is ProLife month and we will run this drive through the end of October. Please drop donations off at the Parish Office marked Baby Project. Thank you for your generosity!!**



**volunteer**  
*do good, feel good*

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.



**A big thanks to all the people who volunteered to participate in the Thunder Bay Street Gospel last weekend. It**

**was so wonderful to have you take part! Father Gino and Father Louis were very impressed!! Your effort and contribution to this project made it a great success!**

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

*Offertory Collection for St. Mary's  
Weekend Of  
Oct. 3 - \$2593.95*

**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

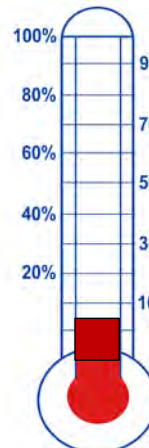
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Weekend Of  
Oct. 3 - \$388.00*



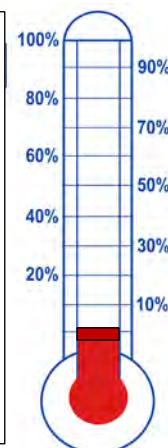
**The Blessed Is She Women's group gathering is Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the meeting room. If you are interested in joining, contact Johanna Strahl at 271-5491, or [johanna.strahl1@gmail.com](mailto:johanna.strahl1@gmail.com)**

**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!



**OLOL**  
**Goal:**  
**\$4,000.00**  
  
**Received:**  
**\$450.00**  
  
**THANK YOU!!**



**St. Mary's**  
**Goal:**  
**\$25,000.00**  
  
**Received:**  
**\$7,422.50**  
  
**THANK YOU!!**

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