

St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



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Mrs. Tina Roth, Administrative Secretary
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Mr. Gerald Cousineau, Custodian

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 9th

6pm + Colleen Coté – Anna McNay

Wednesday 10th

9am + Gertie Bujold – Anne & Alan Zucchiatti

Thursday 11th

Rainycrest

10am + Dennis Huntey – Fern Tardiff & Gerry
Coreman

Friday 12th

9am + Deceased Loved Ones – Bereavement Group
and + Anne Turgeon – The Family

Saturday 13th

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

5pm + Armand Lambert – Eva Thornton

Sunday 14th (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)

9am Intentions of Don & Rachel Marquis & Family
- Ingrid Carlson

11am + Rommel Blasé – The Family and

+ Joan McTavish – John & Norma Oster

November 7, 2021

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (1 Kings 17.10-16)

2nd reading: (Hebrews 9.24-28)

Gospel: (Mark 12.38-44)

*The poor widow has put in more than all
the rest.*

What's going on?!

Nov. 9 – Bereavement Group – 1:00pm

Blessed Is She – 7:00pm

Nov. 11 – Remembrance Day – Parish Office Closed

Nov. 12 – Parish Office Closed

Nov. 13 – Day of Reflection – 9:00am – 3:00pm

Covid-19 Update:

With the Province of Ontario lifting some capacity limits to certain establishments this week, this change does not affect our parish churches. We still remain at our capacity limits, depending on social distancing. To move to full capacity with no distancing would mean that only fully vaccinated people may attend Mass. We cannot move to that situation at this time. We encourage everyone to be vaccinated for their safety and the safety of their families and those around them. Masks are still required to be worn at Mass and hand sanitizing is recommended. There is still no congregational singing, and Communion is to be received in the hand. Social distancing must take place outside of the church also. **Small meetings of up to 25 people may take place in parish halls, as long as everyone is fully vaccinated.** We ask you to continue to follow these safety norms as we move slowly out of this pandemic time. Thank you.

Bishop Fred Colli

**FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK**



**For a Synodal Church:
Communion, Participation, and Mission**

The Church of God is convoked in Synod. The path entitled "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission" solemnly opened on the 9th – 10th of October 2021 in Rome. With this convocation, **Pope Francis** invites the entire Church to reflect on a theme that is decisive for its life and mission. By journeying together and reflecting together on the journey that has been made, the Church will be able to learn through Her experience which processes can help Her to live communion, to achieve participation, to open Herself to mission.

A basic question prompts and guides us: How does this "journeying together," which takes place today on different levels (from the local level to the universal one), allow the Church to proclaim the Gospel in accordance with the mission entrusted to Her?

Here, we will indicate the main objectives:

- living a participative ecclesial process that offers everyone **the opportunity to express themselves and to be heard.**
- accrediting the Christian community as a reliable partner **in paths of healing, reconciliation, inclusion and participation.**
- **regenerating relationships** among members of Christian communities and other social groups, e.g., communities of believers of other denominations and religions, civil society organizations, popular movements, etc.

St. Mary's Church, Fort Frances and Our Lady of Lourdes, Couchiching will come together in groups to discuss and express themselves in the coming days.

Everyone is invited to this group discussion on
Tuesdays at 6:30 pm starting November 9.

The Church is ready to listen. Let the people of God
meaningfully express themselves.

In love and truth,
Rev. Gino Mathias

DAY OF REFLECTION

It is good now and then for God's people to slow down, to look at the direction our lives are taking, to ask ourselves some questions, questions that invite reflection.

Is this perhaps the time for you to take a break on the path you're running on, to re-orient yourself, because, even if you're just one or two degrees off, it will get you further and further away from your goal.

Jesus, in His busy schedule, said to His disciples:

"Come away with Me by yourselves to a quiet place to get some rest." Mark 6:31

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to "Come away with Him to a quiet place" and refresh your spirit.

The "Day of Reflection" will take place on November 13th at St. Mary's Parish Hall

Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Note: proof of 2 vaccinations is now required to attend gatherings in the hall so please bring your documentation and ID. Thank you.

For registration call Tina at the Office @274-5233 or Margrit Schaum @274-6149

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!



Message from CWL President Diane Revus:

CWL Executive 2022 - 2023 – we need volunteers to sit on the executive for the next term. The executive meets once a month and the day and time can be arranged to suit those who are working. Help is needed to continue the activities of our CWL council. You may be hesitant, but I am sure you will find it a good experience. Give me a call (481-9787) or email me (dunninn@bell.net). I am looking forward to working with you next year.

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



The Knights of Columbus would like your support of Coats for Kids. A collection box will be at the rear of the church labelled Coats for Kids. Funds raised will be used to provide

brand-new winter coats to needy children and will be distributed by the children's aid society in Fort Frances. Thank you for your continued support of this fundraiser!!



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*Offertory Collection for St. Mary's
Weekend Of*

Oct. 31 - \$1740.00



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH NEWS

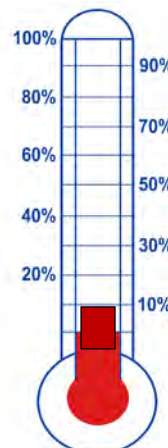
In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

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. 31 - \$402.00

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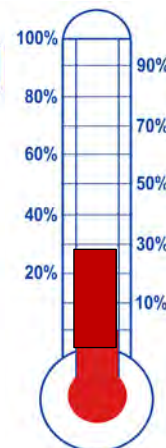
Goal:

\$4,000.00

Received:

\$700.00

THANK YOU!!



St. Mary's

Goal:

\$25,000.00

Received:

\$9797.50

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.

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