

St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



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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 - Saturday - 9:00 am

(Rainycrest closed)

Rosary

Weekdays following mass

Sunday 8:40 am OLOL

Holy Hour

Friday 9:30 - 10:30 am

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

Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

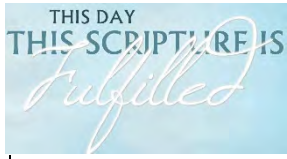
Process begins in September,
please call at any time

******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.





January 23, 2022

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 25th

6pm Intentions of Jenny Seiders on Her Retirement
- The Staff of St. Mary School

Wednesday 26th

9am + Robert McNay - Anna

Thursday 27th @ St. Mary's - Rainycrest closed

9am + Gene, + Mary, & + Bill Saranchuk - George
& Colette Saranchuk

Friday 28th

9am + Nora Paulenko - Anna McNay

Saturday 29th

9am + Joan Anderson - Margrit Schaum

5pm + Ryan John Dale Brunetta & Ernest A.
Brunetta - Dawn Marie, Jennifer & Heather

Sunday 30th (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)

9am + David Wayne Crowe - The Roach Family

11am + Valeda Cousineau - Jeannie & Bob

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Nehemiah 8.2-4a, 5-6, 8-10)

2nd reading: (1 Corinthians 12.12-30)

Gospel: (Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21)

Today the Scripture has been fulfilled.

Ministry Schedule

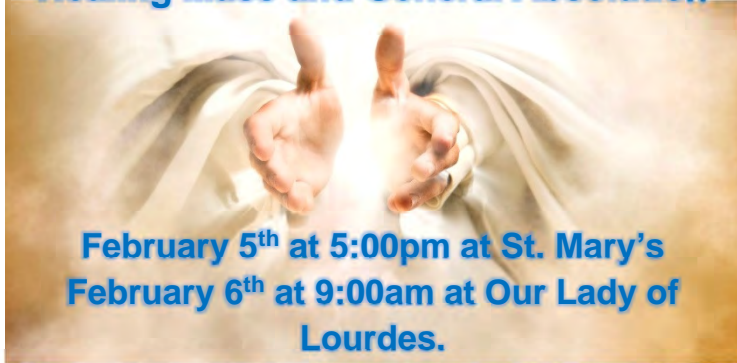
Jan. 22 - Kim (Lector), Monique (EMHC)

Jan. 23 - Jeremiah (Lector), Bryan (EMHC)

Jan. 29 - Gemma (Lector), Lynn (EMHC)

Jan. 30 - Michael (Lector), Gail (EMHC)

Healing Mass and General Absolution



Those who wish to be anointed during those masses kindly contact the parish office and register your names so that the required number of cotton balls for the anointing can be kept ready.



Conversion of Saint Paul

From furious killer to apostle of Christ. That's Saint Paul, the Apostle, the first and greatest Christian theologian. A monumental change came into Paul's life through his experience on the Damascus Road.

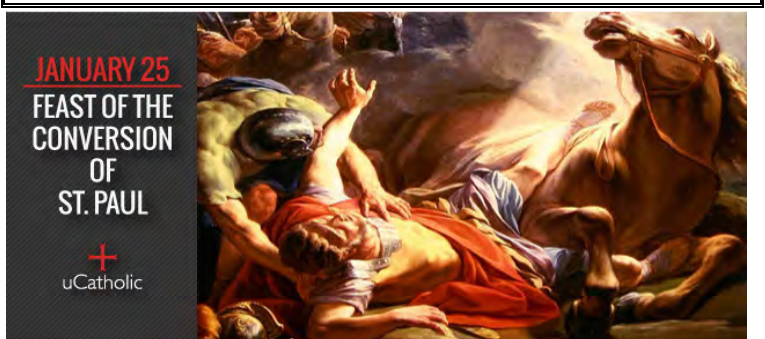
Paul had been a Pharisee, the strictest religious sect of the Jewish people. When the first Christian martyr, Stephen, was stoned, Paul, as a young man, was there holding the coats of those who killed him (Acts 7:58). But before long he had moved from passive coat holder to aggressive persecutor.

When Paul decided to carry his murderous persecution north to Damascus, God stepped in and turned Paul's world upside down. Paul was converted by a blinding encounter with the brightness of the risen Lord Jesus. Paul came to believe that God had chosen him for this moment even before he was born (Gal. 1:15).

This encounter on the road to Damascus convinced Paul that Jesus was alive. And that changed everything. Jesus's offer of divine forgiveness was real. Paul received it and bowed to the absolute lordship of this risen Savior. Just as decisive for his life, he also received a mission. His life was forever changed from being a persecutor of Christians to being an ambassador of the Christian faith. The persecutor was now the foremost spreader of the gospel from the risen Christ.

Paul was totally devoted to the calling that the risen Christ had given him. As we celebrate the feast of the **Conversion of Saint Paul** on January 25, let us all be devoted to our own calling.

In love and truth, Rev. Gino Mathias





Congratulations to Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Women's League on your 60th Anniversary. Thank you for all the wonderful works that you have done for our Parish over the years.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

NOVENA TO ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA – Tuesdays at the 6:00pm mass.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP – Wednesdays at the 9:00am mass



Pray for the sick

If you know people on the prayer list that are doing well, please have them contact the parish office to remove their names.

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, Lolly Brunetta, Pat Hudson, Frank Strain, Kathleen DeGagné, Greg Gustafson, Brian Cawston, Casey Hendriks, Linda Blanc, Terri Revus



*Offertory Collection for St. Mary's
Weekend Of
Jan. 16 - \$1200.00*

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

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Jan. 16 - \$588.00*

Due to the ongoing pandemic and restrictions, all CWL meetings and events are cancelled until further notice.




January 23

"Devoting a specific Sunday of the liturgical year to the word of God can enable the Church to experience anew how the risen Lord opens up for us the treasury

of His word and enables us to proclaim its unfathomable riches before the world."

- Pope Francis, *Aperuit illis*, 2



Synod 2021-2023

For a Synodal Church

- Communion
- Participation
- Mission

St. Mary's & OLOL

"Together We Journey, Listen and Discern"

January 18 - 25

WEEK of PRAYER
for CHRISTIAN UNITY
2022

"We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship him"
(Mt 2:2)

weekofprayer.ca



The worldwide celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is both the seed and the fruit of striving for 'unity in diversity'. This time of shared prayer, reflection, and fellowship invites Christians of different traditions to deepen our relationships and to live and witness together throughout the year.

WEEKLY INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES

"No matter how weak you may think you are, you are never too weak to be used in great ways by God."

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