

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.



「Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near.」

January 30, 2022

4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 1st

6pm Intentions of Elizabeth Melegh on Her Retirement – The Staff of St. Mary School

Wednesday 2nd

9am + David Fontana - Louella

Thursday 3rd @ St. Mary's

9am + Nora Paulenko – Jean & Eloise Camirand

Friday 4th

9am For the leaders of our country, our provinces, and our towns, may their choices respect the people they govern.

Saturday 5th

9am + Madeline Tucker – Louella

5pm + John Vanderaa – Lillian Bodnar & Family

Sunday 6th (9am @ Our Lady of Lourdes)

9am + Jack Dillon – Terril Strain

11am + Rick Roach – Dinis & Shannon Rodrigues

January 30, 2022

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19)

2nd reading: (1 Corinthians 12.31-13.13)

Gospel: (Luke 4.21-30)

Like Elijah and Elisha, Jesus was not sent only to the Jewish people.

Ministry Schedule

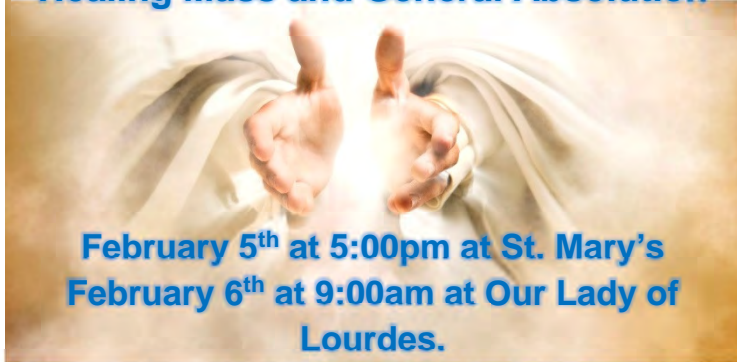
Jan. 29 – Gemma (Lector), Lynn (EMHC)

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

Feb. 5 - Anna (Lector), Susan (EMHC)

Feb. 6 – Jessica (Lector), Gina (EMHC)

Healing Mass and General Absolution



February 5th at 5:00pm at St. Mary's

February 6th at 9:00am at Our Lady of Lourdes.

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.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Synod: Church Which Listens

Pope Francis reminds us that Synod is all about cooperation, “A synodal Church is a Church which listens”. What is a synod in the first place?

The word derives from an ancient Greek term that means “coming together” or “traveling together.” Ancient Christians developed a custom of local leaders **coming together to pray and make decisions about matters affecting all the Christian communities** in a region. They gathered in the faith that their prayers and discussions would **reveal God's will and the way to achieve it.**

These gatherings came to be called “synods”. The current “Synod on Synodality” is the culmination of all efforts to bring a greater degree of openness, collaboration and **mutual listening** to the church.

The purpose of the Synod

The preparatory document for this synod tells us “the purpose of the Synod”, from the Holy Father's address at the opening of the Synod on Young People in 2018: “We recall that the purpose of the Synod is not to produce documents, but to **‘plant dreams, draw forth prophecies and visions, allow hope to flourish, inspire trust, bind up wounds, weave together relationships, awaken a dawn of hope, learn from one another and create a bright resourcefulness that will enlighten minds, warm hearts, give strength to our hands.’**”

This wonderful purpose can be applied to any local church. This is a great opportunity for all of us to plant dreams, inspire trust, and awaken a dawn of hope for St. Mary's and Our Lady of Lourdes Churches.

In love and truth,
Rev. Gino Mathias



Synod 2021-2023

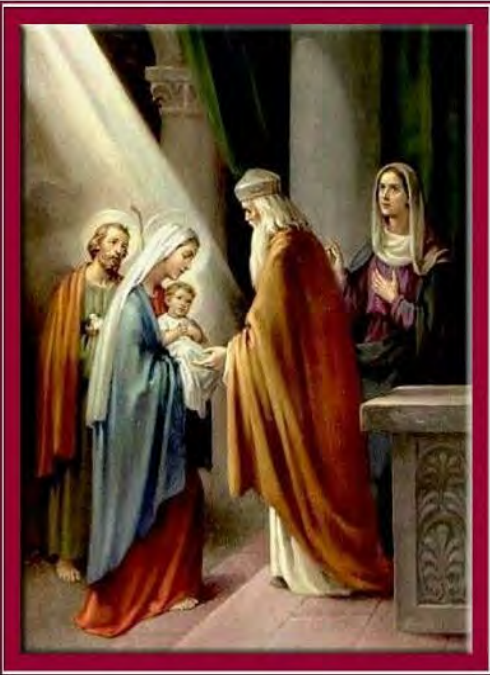
For a Synodal Church

- Communion
- Participation
- Mission

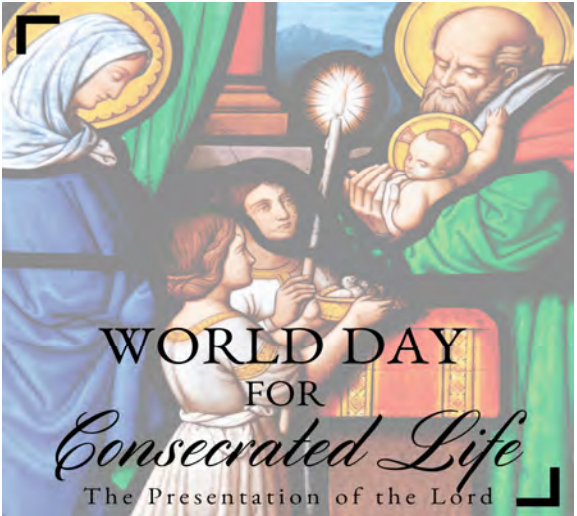
St. Mary's & OLOL

"Together We Journey, Listen and Discern"

February 2, 2022



All-powerful Father,
 Christ your Son became man for us
 and was presented in the temple.
 May he free our hearts from sin
 and bring us into your presence.
 Amen.



They (the consecrated) are men and woman who can awaken the world. Consecrated life is prophecy. God asks us to fly the nest and to be sent to the frontiers of the world, avoiding the temptation to 'domesticate' them. This is the most concrete way of imitating the Lord.

— Pope Francis —

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 Hendrikx, Linda Blanc

*Offertory Collection for St. Mary's
 Weekend Of
 Jan. 23 - \$5221.15*



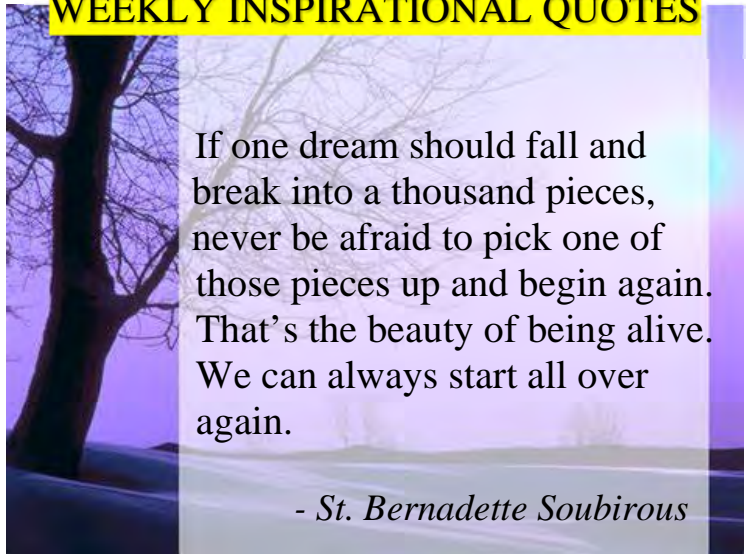
OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH NEWS

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
 Jan. 23 - \$481.45*

WEEKLY INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES



If one dream should fall and break into a thousand pieces, never be afraid to pick one of those pieces up and begin again. That's the beauty of being alive. We can always start all over again.

- St. Bernadette Soubirous

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

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