

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, Friday, Saturday - 9:30am

Thursday (Rainycrest) 10:30 am

Confessions

Tuesdays - 5:30 pm

Wednesdays - Saturdays - 9:00 am

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm

Sunday 10:00 - 10:40 am

8:20 - 8:50 am OLOL

or by appointment

Eucharist Adoration

Friday 10:00 - 10:30 am

Baptisms

Please call 3 months in advance
Baptism Preparation Class every 2nd
Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

Children's Liturgy

During Sunday Masses
September thru May

Rosary

Weekdays **before** mass
Sunday 8:40 am OLOL

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.



Love one another
as I have loved you.

May 15, 2022

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MASSES FOR THE WEEK **Please note time change**

Tuesday 17th

6:00pm + Lou Dumontet – Lyle & Linda Fleming

Wednesday 18th

9:30am + Bert O'Donnell – Anna McNay

Thursday 19th @ Rainycrest

10:30am + Elizabeth Gervais – Susan & Dwayne
Hunking and for the Intentions of
Raymond Skillen – Staff of St. Mary School

Friday 20th

9:30am + Nora Paulenko – Marg Rousseau

Saturday 21st

9:30am + Bertha Ossachuk – Staff of St. Mary School

5:00pm + Joan McTavish – John & Norma Oster and
+ Conrad Sharp – Lydia & Family

Sunday 22nd (9am @ Our Lady of Lourdes)

9:00am + Dennis Huntley – The Koremane Family

11:00am + Ernest A. Brunetta & + Ryan Brunetta
– Ernie, Michelle & Ava

ROSARY WILL NOW BE AT 9:00AM

**Please note that Thursday's mass is at Rainycrest
at 10:30am**

May 15, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st reading: (Acts 14.21b-27)

2nd reading: (Revelation 21.1-5a)

Gospel: (John 13.1,31-33a, 34-35)

*I give you a new commandment, that you
love one another.*

Ministry Schedule

May 14 – Gemma (Lector), Monique (EMHC)

May 15 – Jeremiah (Lector), Gina (EMHC)

May 21 – Anna (Lector), Sandy (EMHC)

May 22 – Miranda (Lector), Noble (EMHC)

**Come and See what the Lord has
prepared for you!**



Register for the
upcoming
women's retreat
(18 years and
older) on May
27th & 28th,
2022. Enjoy a
weekend of rest,

prayer and sisterhood. Cost is \$60. Financial
support is available. Please contact the parish office
or Jessica McComb at jessicadmccomb@gmail.com
to register. **Deadline to register is extended to
May 20th, 2022.**

FROM THE
PASTOR'S DESK

Fr. Gino Goes For Vacation

"A vacation gives us a change of scenery, provides
us with adventure, and helps to bring
us closer to the people in our lives."

– E. S. Woods

After three years I am taking my vacation. I
am visiting my home country India. I will be on
vacation from May 18, 2022 and will be back on
July 18, 2022. During my absence, Rev. Michael
Kennet Berchmans Francis will take care of our
parishes and all the spiritual needs. Fr. Berchmans
is not new to our parishes. He was here in the year
2019 from October-November as a fill in priest.

My primary purpose of my visit to India is to
be with my beloved mother Margaret Mary. She is
74, a retired Maths teacher and widow. She suffers
from short term memory loss. I want to take care of
her and God willing, I plan on bringing her to
Canada to be with me here. I have one sister (a
high school science teacher) who is in India. My two
younger brothers are in the US and Qatar.

Previously my plan to India in the year 2020
was unceremoniously cancelled by the pandemic.
Hopefully nothing like that happens this time
around. I am all excited to visit my family and
friends after a gap of three years. Kindly keep me in
your daily prayers. I shall earnestly pray for you all
everyday.

While I am on my vacation, I wish you all the
best for your summer. May all the happiness in the
world embrace you, let your fun be unlimited with
friends and family! Enjoy every moment!!!

In love and truth,
Rev. Gino Mathias

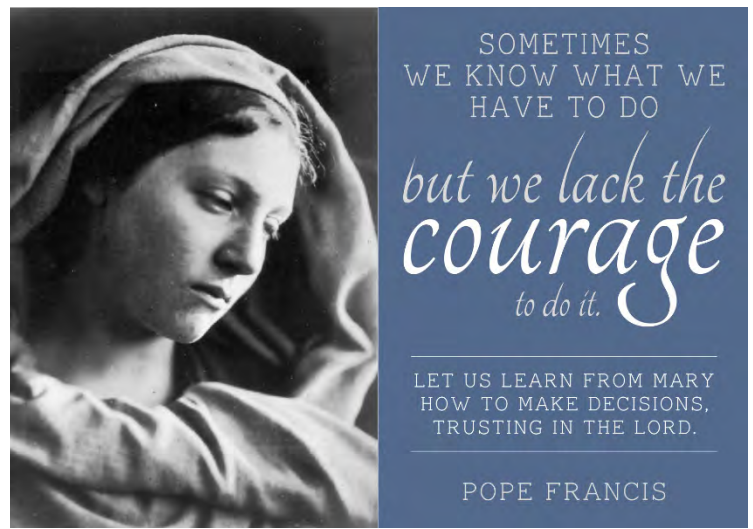


The staff and
parishioners of
St. Mary's and
Our Lady of
Lourdes
Parishes wish
Father Gino a
wonderful
vacation filled
with family and
happy memories.

Stay safe and healthy and return the same way!!



The Month of May is dedicated to our Mother Mary. We, being her children, will offer special healing prayers through Mother Mary every day of the month of May after the Rosary and before the mass.



SOMETIMES WE KNOW WHAT WE HAVE TO DO
but we lack the courage to do it.

LET US LEARN FROM MARY HOW TO MAKE DECISIONS, TRUSTING IN THE LORD.

POPE FRANCIS

ST. MARY'S

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Shirley Fraser, Queenie Leschinski, Maurice DeGagné, Noella & Rick Hamilton, David Whalen, Isabella Keuler, Laura Dillon, Keagan Evans, Julie Halvorsen, Patrick McColeman, Bridger Hands, Mary Kolynchuk, Lori Woodgate, Ewan MacKintosh, Father Ben Hadrich, Lolly Brunetta, Kathleen DeGagné, Greg Gustafson, Brian Cawston, Casey Hendrikx, Linda Blanc, Nathan Galusha, Dave Egan



*Offertory Collection for St. Mary's
 Weekend Of
 May 8 - \$4378.10*

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES
 PARISH NEWS**

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Doug Cross, Curtis Jourdain, Mary Lou Parks, Shirley A. Bruyere, Sue Foran-Ross, Dale Krueger, Angela Bruyere, Steven "Beaver" Morrisseau



*Offertory Collection for Our Lady of Lourdes
 Weekend Of
 May 8 - \$587.00*



**St Mary's Parish
 Scholarship/Bursary & The
 Albert & Ron Bernardi
 Memorial Bursary**

St. Mary's Parish will be offering a scholarship and two bursaries for active members of St. Mary's Parish completing high school and continuing for higher education. Application form along with criteria are available at the Guidance Office at the High School. The applications must be returned to the Guidance Office by May 16, 2022.

Happiness
 DOES NOT DEPEND ON WHAT HAPPENS
Outside of You
 BUT ON WHAT HAPPENS
Inside of You



Calling all parishioners!!

We would like to get a choir going again. If you are 16 years old and up, please consider joining the choir. **All positions available.** Please contact the parish office or sign up

at the back of the church.

Pre-Authorized Payment Plan

We are pleased to offer parishioners the convenience of a pre-authorized payment plan for regular Sunday contributions and special collections. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office at 274-5233 to make arrangements. Call between 9am-3pm, Monday – Friday or leave a message and we will get back to you!



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

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