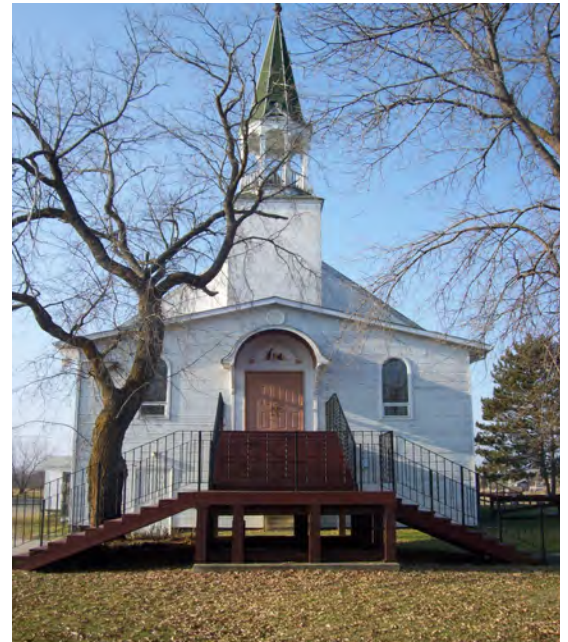


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Join Us!

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 - 5:00pm

Sunday - 9:00am OLOL, 11:00am

Tuesday - 6:00pm

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday - 9:20am

Thursday - 9:20am @ St. Mary's

Rosary

Tuesday - 5:40pm

Wednesday - Saturday - 9:00am

Sunday 8:40am OLOL

Confessions

Tuesdays - Saturdays - 9:00am

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm

Sunday 10:00 - 10:40am

8:20 - 8:50am OLOL

or by appointment

Eucharist Adoration

Friday 10:00 - 10:30am

Baptisms

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

Children's Liturgy

11:00-11:30am during Sunday

Mass at St. Mary's

September thru May

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 15, 2023

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 17th

6:00pm Special Intentions

Wednesday 18th

9:20am Intentions of Kerry Zucchiatti
– M. Mathews

Thursday 19th @ St. Mary's

9:20am + Betty Plumridge – The LePine Family

Friday 20th

9:20am + Pearl DeGagné – St. Mary's Catholic
Women's League

Saturday 21st

9:20am + Mary Saranchuk – The Family
5:00pm + Shannon Jackson – Grace Huntley and
+ Jane (Hughes) Smith – The Ducharme
Family

Sunday 22nd

9:00am + Greg Perreault – The Family
11:00am + Lolly Brunetta – Marg Rousseau and
For the Intentions of Carey LeBlanc
– Greg & Kathy Mercure

Thursday morning masses will be at St. Mary's at 9:20am. Mass will resume at Rainycrest in February when Father Gino returns. We will have Eucharistic Ministers go to Rainycrest to provide communion to the residents who would want it.

January 15, 2023

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Isaiah 49.3, 5-6)

2nd reading: (1 Corinthians 1.1-3)

Gospel: (John 1.29-34)

Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

Ministry Schedule

Jan. 14 – Kim (Lector), Sandy (EMHC)

Jan. 15 – Georges (Lector), Noble (EMHC)

Jan. 21 – Gemma (Lector), Monique (EMHC)

Jan. 22 – Jeremiah (Lector), Kathy (EMHC)

What's going on?!

Jan. 17 – Assoc. of Ste. Marguerite d'Youville
– 1:00pm

Jan. 21 – Men's Hockey Day @ New Beginnings
Fellowship – 2:00-9:00pm

Clergy News – from the Bishop's Office

It is with great pleasure that I announce to the diocese that Reverend Douglas McClure, a former Anglican priest and a convert to Catholicism, who is a member of St. Patrick's Cathedral parish, has been given permission by Pope Francis to be ordained as a Catholic priest.

His ordination to the priesthood will take place at St. Patrick's Cathedral on **Saturday, January 28, 2023 at 2pm.**

The diocese is grateful to Pope Francis in granting Rev. Doug McClure this permission.

+Fred J. Colli, Bishop of Thunder Bay

 Children's Liturgy of the Word



Our Children's Liturgy program is booming!! We have had such a wonderful turnout that we need more help. The program runs Sunday mornings during the 11am mass. This would be a great opportunity for Confirmation Candidates to participate in the liturgy. High School students can also get volunteer hours. Please contact the parish office if you can assist.

Membership fees for 2023 can be paid at your earliest convenience. The Catholic Women's League of Canada has increased the portion we contribute to them to reflect the rising costs of ministry and service. To cover this increase, our renewal fee is now **\$35**. Thank you for continuing to support our league. We welcome all new members. Please consider joining if you have not already. **Forms are available in the church foyer.** Payment can be made by cash, cheque and dropped off at the Parish office or put in the collection basket. You can also e-transfer to diane58@tbaytel.net.



Reminder – If you have mail for the parish office and it is closed, please do not put it through the office window. Please put your mail in the secure mailbox on the front of the building. Thank you!

The White Elephant Table will resume in the New Year (time and location to be advised). Please continue to drop off your items to Tina at the office. We will accumulate them and depending on volume, we will attempt to have a sale possibly once a month. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT.



FROM NICOLE LePINE
Today was such a heartwarming day. I used purses that were leftover from the CWL Christmas Tea and Bazaar, asked for

donations of personal care items to fill the bags/purses and donate to Victim Services. With a generous amount of donations from St. Mary's parishioners, my mom and I were able to fill 26 bags/purses. Since we had so many donations of items and limited bags we split the remaining items into large bags for the Family Centre and Rainycrest.

It felt so great giving back to a community that helped me when I was sick.

Since this "Fill-A-Bag" event was so well received I am planning more in the future.

Thank you, Nicole, for your hard work and for getting our parishioners involved.

MEN'S HOCKEY DAY
Big screen NHL games
January 21, 2023 – 2:00-9:00pm
Air Hockey – Table Hockey – All Day Snacks
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DO GOOD; SEEK JUSTICE.

(ISAIAH 1: 17)

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2023

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated on January 18 -25, 2023. The theme, taken from the first chapter of the Book of Isaiah, reflects his concern for the oppressed who suffer from injustice and inequality fed by hypocrisy that leads to disunity. He teaches that God requires righteousness and justice from all of us, to create the peace and unity that God desires. These virtues originate in God's love for all, and racism runs counter to this vision. Isaiah's challenge to do good and seek justice together applies equally to us today.

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, Julie Halvorsen, Patrick McColeman, Frank Strain, Bridger Hands, Ewan MacKintosh, Father Ben Hadrich, Kathleen DeGagné, Greg Gustafson, Brian Cawston, Casey Hendrikx, Linda Blanc, Dave Egan, Rosanna Tweedie

*Offertory Collection for St. Mary's
Weekend Of
Jan. 8 – 1525.00*

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

**In your prayers, please
remember those who are sick:**

Curtis Jourdain, Mary Lou Parks, Dale Krueger, Steven "Beaver" Morrissette

*Offertory Collection for Our Lady of Lourdes
Weekend Of
Jan. 8 - \$559.00*

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

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