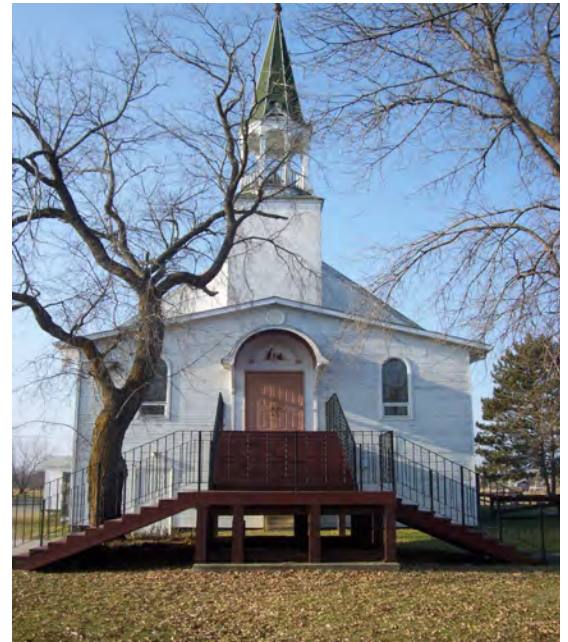


St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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 - 5:00pm

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.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 24th

6:00pm + Blair Beadow – The Staff of St. Mary School

Wednesday 25th

9:20am + Robert McNay - Anna

Thursday 26th @ St. Mary's

9:20am + Dorleen Godbout – Monique Strain

Friday 27th

9:20am + Pearl DeGagné – Grace Huntley

Saturday 28th

9:20am + Betty Plumridge – St. Mary's Catholic Women's League

5:00pm + Shannon Jackson – Aaron Wood

Sunday 29th

9:00am + Suzie Foran-Ross – Anita Artyszuk

11:00am + John Fedoruk – The Family

+ Rommel Blasé – The Family

+ Sandra Picchinato – The Family

Thursday morning masses will be at St. Mary's at

9:20am.

January 22, 2023

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Isaiah 9.1-4)

2nd reading: (1 Corinthians 1.10-13, 17-18)

Gospel: (Matthew 4.12-23)

Jesus made His home in Capernaum so that what had been spoken through the Prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled.

Ministry Schedule

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

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

Jan. 28 – Riley (Lector), Susan (EMHC)

Jan. 29 – Micaela (Lector), Greg (EMHC)



“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

Schedule for First Holy Communion Preparation, 2023

Book #1: We Prepare for Reconciliation

The first **three classes** will be taught at the school, the last two will be conducted at the church at

11:00 a.m. during the Sunday Mass.

Please bring the appropriate book and a pencil.

February 19th Ch. 4 God Gives You Peace (Must attend at church)

March 5th Ch. 5: God Gives You Forgiveness (Must attend at church)

****Following the 11:00 a.m. mass on March 5, parents will stay and children will have their Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

Book #2: We Share in the Eucharist

The first **four classes** will be taught at the school, the last two will be conducted at the church at

11:00 a.m. during the Sunday Mass.

Please bring the appropriate book and a pencil.

May 14th Ch. 5: We Remember and Celebrate (Must attend at church)

May 28th Ch. 6: We Share the Bread of Life (Must attend at church)

Important Dates to Remember:

Celebration of First Reconciliation

Sunday, March 5th. Following the 11:00 a.m. Mass

Spiritual Retreat-Preparing for First Holy Communion

Saturday, May 27th at 2:30 p.m.

Rehearsal

Thursday, June 1st at 6:00 p.m.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Sunday, June 3rd at 11:00 a.m. Mass

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.



Our Lady of Lourdes CWL is now reaching out to members to renew their membership for 2023. Due to the declining membership & Nationals increasing expenses, we are now increasing our dues to \$33.00. Please contact Marie or drop your fees in the collection basket marked CWL dues. We are also reaching out to the ladies of our parish to consider joining our CWL.



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.**



The week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be celebrated from January 18 -25, 2023. Please take time to reflect and pray on the importance of Christian Unity around the world.



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!

ABOUT DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE:



D&P was established in 1967 by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB). Development and Peace transforms lives by appealing to consciences here in Canada about the root causes of poverty and ensuring that its partners and the communities they serve in the Global South can take charge of their own development. Development and Peace is launching a five-year theme: **Create Hope**. Inspired by the message of Pope Francis, we are called to be “social poets” and, side by side with our brothers and sisters in the Global South, to create hope.



Bell Let's Talk

"Bell Let's Talk" campaign will be held on

Wednesday, Jan. 25 with a promise to donate \$10 million to mental health initiatives in Canada. What can you do? Be aware: more than 200 Canadians will attempt suicide every day and 1 in 2 people struggling with their mental health are not getting the help they need. **End the stigma:** Talk openly about mental health. Be conscious of language. Show compassion for people with mental illness. Pray: Pope Francis prayed, *"I would like to remember our brothers and sisters who suffer from mental illness, and also victims – often young people – of suicide. Let us pray for them and their families, so that they are never left alone, or discriminated against, but instead are welcomed and supported."*

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. 15 – \$1257.75*

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Curtis Jourdain, Mary Lou Parks, Dale Krueger, Steven “Beaver” Morrisseau



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