St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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





Parish Office

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Pastoral Team

Reverend Gino Mathias, Pastor

Parish Staff

Mrs. Tina Roth, Administrative Secretary stmarys@tbaytel.net Mr. Gerald Cousineau, Custodian

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 - 10:00am @ Rainycrest

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

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.

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"



<u>February 19, 2023</u> 7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 21st 6:00pm + Pearl DeGagné – Frank & Monique Strain Wednesday 22nd ASH WEDNESDAY 9:00am Service @ St. Mary School 6:00pm + Marjorie Zaren – Gina Sigurdson Thursday 23rd @ Rainycrest **10:00am** + Faye Trihey – Margrit Schaum Friday 24th 9:20am + Jamie Dempsey Rittau – Jim & Linda Gill Saturday 25th 9:20am + Gertie Bujold – Monique DeGagné 5:00pm + Shannon Jackson – Bob & Paulette DeVos Sunday 26th 9:00am + Len Glueheisen – Cindy & Hugh McKinnon 11:00am + Shannon Jackson – The Brady Family

<u>February 19, 2023</u> <u>7th Sunday in Ordinary Time</u>

1st reading: (Leviticus 19.1-2. 17-18) 2nd reading: (1 Corinthians 3.16-23) Gospel: (Matthew 5.38-48)

Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.

Ministry Schedule

Feb. 18 – Kim (Lector), Sandy (EMHC) Feb. 19 – Micaela (Lector), Gail (EMHC) Feb. 25 – Gemma (Lector), Monique (EMHC) Feb. 26 – Jeremiah (Lector), Kathy (EMHC)

What's going on ?!

Feb. 20 – Family Day – Parish Office closed Feb. 21 – Assoc. of Ste. Marguerite d-Youville Mtg. – 1:00pm

Feb. 22 – **ASH WEDNESDAY - Mass at 6:00pm** Feb. 28 – Parish Council – 6:30pm

Lent 2023 TimelineImportant dates for this year's Lenten season.First Sunday of Lent – February 26thFebruary 22Ash WednesdayApril 2Palm SundayApril 6Maundy ThursdayApril 7Good FridayApril 8Holy SaturdayApril 9Easter Sunday

ST. MARY'S CHURCH



FRIDAYS, Feb. 24th - March 31st PICK-UP STARTS AT 4:00PM, DELIVERY 4:30PM Deadline for orders is 3:00pm the Thursday before. For more information contact Barb @276-1226 PRE-SALE TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE: **\$20.00** (Price includes walleye and all the fixings!)

ABOUT DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: D&P members form a national solidarity



movement committed to social justice that comprises more than 10,000 people from every diocese and many communities across Canada. They mobilize through awareness raising, advocacy and fundraising campaigns. In the struggle for human dignity, D&P works in collaboration with groups striving for social change in the North and South. Because of D&P's presence in Afghanistan, girls and boys in rural areas have access to sustainable and equitable primary education through community schools.



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE'S 70th Anniversary dinner and celebration on April 22, 2023. More info to follow!

RECONCILIATION WITH INDIGENUOS PEOPLES Published on February 8, 2023

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops have issued four letters of reconciliation to the Indigenous Peoples of Canada. These four letters were based on the Penitential Pilgrimage of Pope Francis to Canada last summer.

Pastoral Letter to the First Nations That We May Walk Together

Pastoral Letter to the Inuit in Canada That We May Walk Together

Pastoral Letter to the Métis That We May Walk Together

Pastoral Letter to the People of God in Canada That We May Walk Together



Our Lady of Lourdes is appealing to the congregation to put their talents to good use and become a lector (reader) at Sunday mass.

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.



St. Mary's CWL 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 fover. 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@tbavtel.net.



We will have Stations of the Cross every Friday evening during

Lent starting on Feb. 24th at 6pm. Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested in leading one of these evenings.



ALBERTA MACKENZIE COUNCIL Lenten Retreat: (Via Zoom) "Lent and Social Justice: Fasting to Do More" Monday February 20th 7:00 PM

Presented by Sr. Susan Scott

Synopsis: Time will be spent exploring "fasting FOR" as a Lenten focus with Social Justice as the lens through which we gaze. Isaiah Chapter 58 will help us sharpen our vision around what kind of fasting God asks of us. The eight (yes eight, not seven) corporal works of mercy will help keep us rooted in the real world and specific actions we can take. We will look at "ecological sin" as a concept of our faith with Pope Francis' encyclical Laudato Si as the backdrop for this conversation.

All of this will flow from our baptismal call to be Priest. Prophet AND King. There will be time for prayerful discernment and small breakout room discussions.



Come prepared to be engaged and challenged - you will be changed and that is

the ongoing challenge of Lent.

Registration link: and LIVING IT!

https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEsdu6trz8jHt GreZ3IYUQIm6bNHTOzQ-Sp

Questions? Email Suzanne at: abmkcwlfaith@gmail.com

CATHOLIC

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, Kerry Zucchiatti, Allison George, Joan Bolzan

> Offertory Collection for St. Mary's Weekend Of Feb. 12 - \$1865.58



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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