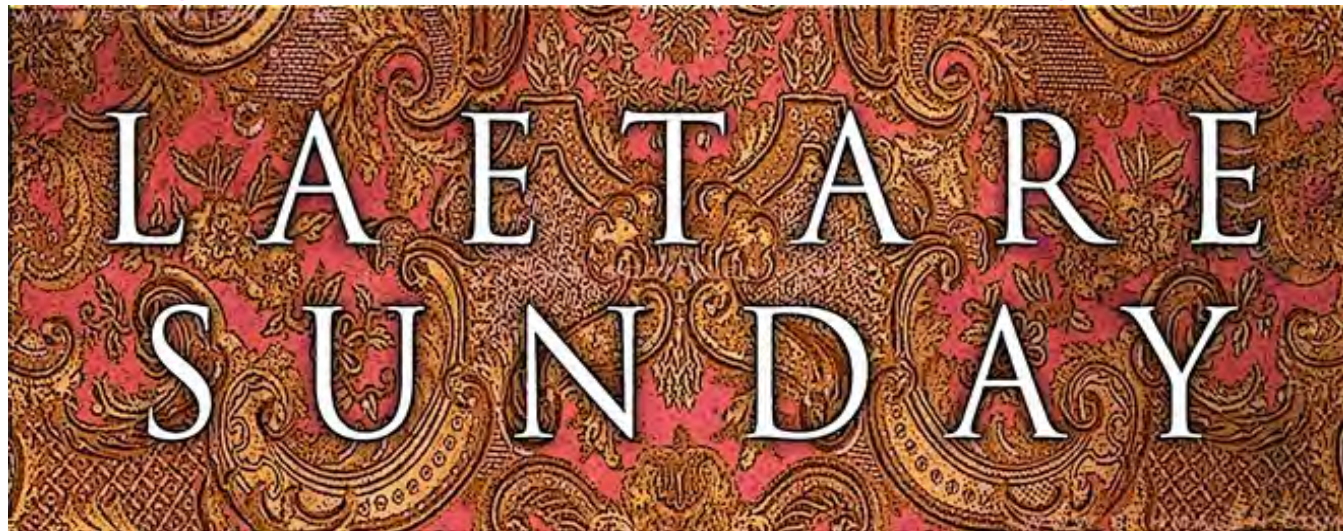


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Mr. Gerald Cousineau, Custodian

Join Us!

To become a parishioner, please
complete a Parish Registration form
at the entrance of the church.

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

(Events celebrated at Our Lady of
Lourdes Parish are denoted by OLOL)

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.



**I WAS BLIND
BUT NOW I SEE!**

March 19, 2023
4th SUNDAY OF LENT

LENT
Pray + Fast + Give

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 21st

6:00pm + Marie Byrnes – Plum and + Marg Haley
– Sister Francine Cayer & The Grey Nuns

Wednesday 22nd

9:20am + Dennis Huntley – The Family

Thursday 23rd @ Rainycrest

10:00am + Marg Haley – Betty Mueller

Friday 24th

9:20am + Josh Sigurdson – The Family and for the
Intentions of Anne Zucchiatti – M. Mathews

Saturday 25th

9:20am + Robert McNay - Anna

5:00pm + Alice Shields – Bruce & Evelyn Rawn

Sunday 26th

9:00am + Ernie Sr., + Lolly & + Ryan Brunetta – Jim
& Lori Pochailo

11:00am + Dick Botsford – Terry & Kathy Mueller and
+ Luke Schill – Eric Tatrallayay

March 19, 2023

4th Sunday of Lent

1st reading: (1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13)

2nd reading: (Ephesians 5.8-14)

Gospel: (John 9.1-41)

*The man who was blind washed his eyes
and came back able to see.*

Ministry Schedule

Mar. 18 – Anne (Lector), Sandy (EMHC)

Mar. 19 – Miranda (Lector), Gina (EMHC)

Mar. 25 – Kim (Lector), Gina (EMHC)

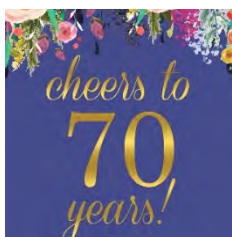
Mar. 26 – Georges (Lector), Noble (EMHC)

What's going on?!

Mar. 18 – Men's Brunch – after 11am mass

Mar. 21 – Associates of Ste. Marguerite d'Youville
Mtg. – 1:00pm

Mar. 28 – Dementia Friendly Communities
Presentation – 6:30pm



St. Mary's CWL 70th anniversary gathering will take place on Saturday, April 22 with mass at 5:00 followed by dinner in the church hall. Tickets (\$30) will



be sold at the weekend masses and will be available at the church office.

Come, let us join in celebration!

**March 19 - Solemnity of Saint Joseph
(Moved to March 20 in 2023)**

We celebrate two feast days for Joseph: primary and highest feast on **March 19 for Joseph the Husband of Mary** and May 1 for Joseph the Worker. After the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph is the greatest of the saints. He is the one "into whose custody God entrusted his most precious treasures," Jesus and Mary. Because this feast is a solemnity, even though it falls during Lent, the faithful are dispensed of their Lenten obligations on this day.

Mary and Joseph, the greatest saints of all time, lived an ordinary, hidden life, and that sanctity consisted in daily expressions of love in family life, work, and prayer. Where it is celebrated, the feast can be a time for couples to renew their marriage vows to one another.

The couples can learn from the wonderful saint the following qualities which are essential for a happy family life. **J - Judicious, O - Obedient, S - Supportive, E - Empathetic, P - Patient, H - Helpful.** Saint Joseph, Pray for all the families in our churches.

In love and Truth,
Fr. Gino Mathias



**MARCH 19
THE FEAST
DAY OF
ST. JOSEPH**

**DEVELOPMENT AND
PEACE: The theme this
year is CREATE HOPE -
STAND FOR THE LAND**

Development and Peace

– Caritas Canada stands in solidarity with these peoples. With our partners, we support communities' efforts to protect their territories and biodiversity for present and future generations.

On March 26th, we celebrate the 5th Sunday of Lent or Solidarity Sunday. This is our major outreach as a Catholic church community to the people in the developing countries of the South. Please show your support for this important cause.





FRIDAYS, March 24th - 31st
 PICK-UP STARTS AT 4:00PM
 DELIVERY 4:30PM

Deadline for orders is 3:00pm the Thursday before. We have sold out every week.

Please order early!!

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\$20.00 (Price includes walleye
 and all the fixings!)



A Dementia Friendly Community is a place where people living with dementia and their care partners are welcomed, included and supported. It is a community

that pays attention to the social and physical needs of the person living with dementia.

Many people living with dementia, as well as their care partners, report barriers to feeling included in their communities. The stigma of dementia often causes them to withdraw from community interaction, resulting in a diminished quality of life and loss of personal connections.

To learn more about how your business, organization or group can join the dementia friendly movement, please join us on March 28th at 6:30pm (after 6pm mass) for a presentation by **Mary O'Connor DSW | Client Services Coordinator, Alzheimer Society of Kenora/Rainy River Districts**



CWL NEWS

Did you read the February provincial CWL newsletter? Check it out! You may see some familiar faces. 😊

Google Ontario CWL and enter [ON Line Newsletter Archives](#) and go to February edition. Praise God for the women of our parish who step forward in faith and action!

2023 MEMBERSHIP FEES can be paid at your earliest convenience.

St. Mary's dues are \$35 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 dues are \$33 Please contact Marie or drop your fees in the collection basket marked CWL dues.



Fridays at 6:00 pm

March 24 Catholic Women's League

March 31 Assoc. of Ste. Marguerite d'Youville

April 7 @ Our Lady of Lourdes at 7:00pm

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday, April 1, 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 2, 9:00 am OLOL

Sunday, April 2, 11:00 am

Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Parishioners are encouraged to bring gifts for the poor, which will be presented with the bread & wine.

Thursday, April 6, 7:00 pm

Good Friday Solemn Service

Friday, April 7, 3:00 pm

Stations of the Cross

Friday, April 7, 7:00 pm OLOL

Solemn Easter Vigil

Parishioners are encouraged to bring bells to the Vigil to ring during the Gloria! We will also light candles.

Saturday, April 8, 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 9, 9:00 am OLOL

Sunday, April 9, 11:00 am

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, Lillian Bodnar



Offertory Collection for St. Mary's
 Weekend Of
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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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 Weekend Of
 Mar. 12 - \$589.18

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