

# St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



## GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

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### Pastoral Team

Reverend Gino Mathias, Pastor

### Parish Staff

Mrs. Tina Roth, Administrative Secretary  
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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

8:30 - 8:50am OLOL

or by appointment

### Eucharist Adoration

Friday 9:45 - 10:30am

### Holy Hour

First Friday 9:45 - 10:45am

(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.





**April 30, 2023**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**6:00pm** + Luke Schill – Larry & Betty Fontana

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**9:20am** + Jason Vien – Deloras & Lance Chabot

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> @ St. Mary's (Rainycrest closed)**

**9:00am** + Marg Haley – Marg Rousseau

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup>**

**9:20am** We pray that Church movement and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>**

**9:20am** + Josie Korchak – St. Mary's Catholic Women's League

**5:00pm** + Luke Schill – Betty Mueller & Family

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00am** + Len Glueheisen – Terry & Kathy Mueller and + Glenn Jourdain – The Family

**11:00am** + Rommel Blasé – The Family and

+ Luke Schill – Eric Tatrallyay

**April 30, 2023**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**1st reading:** (Acts 2.14a, 36b-41)

**2nd reading:** (1 Peter 2.20b-25)

**Gospel:** (John 10.1-10)

*I am the gate for the sheep.*

**Ministry Schedule**

April 29 – Anna (Lector), Monique (EMHC)

April 30 – Jeremiah (Lector), Gina (EMHC)

May 6 – Kim (Lector), Lynn (EMHC)

May 7 – Georges (Lector), Gail (EMHC)

**What's going on?!**

May 3 – CWL General Meeting 6:30pm

May 5 – Prayer for Vocations Holy Hour  
– 9:45 – 10:45am

May 7 – Parish Family Fun Day – 2:00-6:00pm

May 13 – Day of Reflection – 9:00am-3:00pm

**First Friday Holy Hour**

**Join us on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:45-10:45am as we pray for an increase to vocations.**



**COVID UPDATE**

With many hospitals and long term care facilities easing the restrictions for Covid, we will now use the following recommendations for all our churches and parish facilities in our diocese as of April 25, 2023.

- Masks are always optional in all our church facilities, and this should be made clear to all parishioners.
- Sanitizing stations should be at all doors in churches and halls.
- No mask is required when distributing Holy Communion.
- Priests and all Ministers of Communion should thoroughly wash their hands before Mass – or sanitize them before distributing Holy Communion.
- Holy Water stoups with holy water may now be used in our churches.
- We ask anyone who is feeling ill – not to attend church until they are better.
- All parishes should make sure all facilities are clean and safe for all people attending Mass or for other functions.
- Thank you to everyone for your patience and understanding – let us all be vigilant and be aware if there are any changes in our community concerning Covid.

Sincerely,

+Fred J. Colli

Bishop of Thunder Bay

**Please note:**

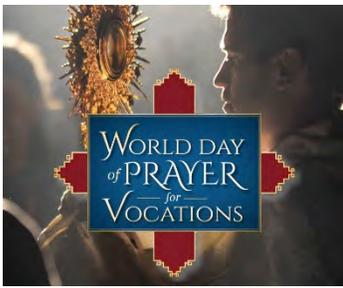


**The First Holy Communion Celebration has been changed to Sunday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at the 11:00am mass.**



CWL General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 3 at 6:30pm. The League calls on its members to pray for good palliative care to be available to all Canadians, so that patients will have confidence

in end of life care and will choose to live out their life through to its natural end. Please join us in prayer and fellowship. **Note:** the rosary will be prayed prior to the meeting at 6:00pm for those who wish to participate.



World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be observed on Sunday, April 30, 2023 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose

of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

**Catholic Education Week 2023 is from Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> until Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.**



The Catholic schools in our parish will engage in a series of events to celebrate the ongoing gift of publicly funded Catholic education. You are invited to learn about the various celebrations that are happening in your children's school, and are welcome to attend, if possible.

The Catholic Education Week biblical quote is, *"We, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members, one of another."* (Romans 12:5)



**St. Mary's Parish Family Fun Day**  
**Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**2:00 - 6:00 pm**  
**Movies – Games**  
**– Pizza Making!**

Open to all parishioners, young and old. **See the poster on the bulletin board for details. Deadline is May 3<sup>rd</sup>.** **We need a minimum of 12 families to hold the event.** **Come for the fellowship!** There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

# Mark Your CALENDAR

## Day of Reflection

May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at St Mary's Parish Hall  
 Time: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

It is good now and then for God's people to slow down, to look at the direction our lives are taking, to ask ourselves some questions, questions that invite reflection.

Jesus, in His busy schedule, said to His disciples:

*"Come away with me by yourselves to a quiet place to get some rest."*

*Mark 6:31*

We would like to take the opportunity to invite you to:

**"Come away with Him to a quiet place"**

**And refresh your spirit.**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

For registration call Tina at the office @274-5233 or Margrit Schaum @274-6149

### 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, Allison George, Lillian Bodnar

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

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