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OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Join Us!

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

Summer Mass Schedule Saturday

5:00pm

Sunday 9:00am@OLOL, 11:00am Tuesday, Wednesay, Friday & Saturday 9:20am

> Thursday 8:00am 10:00am @ Rainycrest

Confessions

Tuesday - Saturday 9:00am Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm Sunday 10:00 - 10:40am 8:20 - 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

During Sunday Masses September thru May

Rosary

Weekdays before mass Sunday 8:40am OLOL

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.



"Where two or three are gathered in my name,

there am I in their midst."

September 10, 2023

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 12th

9:20am + Craig Towne - Margrit Schaum

Wednesday 13th

9:20am + Becky Ball - Rose Scheuer

Thursday 14th <mark>(10am @ Rainycrest)</mark>

8:00am + Dennis DeGagne – Wendy & Leroy Carpenter

10:00am + Anne Turgeon – Gloria & Ken **Friday 15**th

9:20am + Rob Morgan - Ruth Bowiec

Saturday 16th

9:20am NO MASS 5:00pm NO MASS

Sunday 17th (9am @ Our Lady of Lourdes)

9:00am + Greg Perreault - The Family

11:00am + Lolly Brunetta - Margrit Schaum and

+ Bert Hanzuk - Jack & Lynn Armstrong

September 10, 2023 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 at reading (Explain 22.7.0)

1st reading: (Ezekiel 33.7-9)
2nd reading: (Romans 13.8-10)
Gospel: (Matthew 18.15-20)

If the member listens to you, you have regained that one.

Ministry Schedule

Sept. 9 – Kim/Anne (Lector), Karen (EMHC) Sept. 10 – Marie/Michael (Lector), Greg (EMHC) Sept. 16 – Anna/Kim (Lector), Sandy (EMHC)

Sept. 17 – Miranda/Dale (Lector), Noble (EMHC)



IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS

A very important meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday**,

October 3, 2023. Our council is at a position where discussions and a decision on the continued viability of the council must be made. ALL members of Council 2766 are strongly urged to attend. The Council's future is to be determined. Mass at 6 pm, meeting to follow at 6:30 pm at St. Mary's Church.

"For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

(Matthew 18:20)

My dear Friends,

We journey together as Christians in Jesus' name. We come together, pray, worship, and support one another in our faith. When we gather in His name, we create a sacred space where His presence dwells among us.

It's not about the size of the group; it's about the sincerity of our hearts and our intention to gather in His name. Whether it's a small home prayer meeting, a Bible study group, or a simple conversation with a fellow believer, Jesus assures us that He is there when we seek Him with pure hearts.

Jesus' promise reminds us of the importance of invoking His name in our gatherings. His name represents His character, His teachings, and His redemptive power. When we gather in His name, we acknowledge His lordship over our lives and invite His guidance, wisdom, and grace into our midst.

May we continue to gather in His name, knowing that in our unity and community, we find His abiding presence, His love, and His peace and His strength to live as His disciples.

In love and truth,

Rev. Gino Jose Prakash Mathew



Every 3rd Saturday morning mass @ 9:20am will be a "Reconciliation Mass".

Every 4th Saturday morning mass @ 9:20am will be a "Group Mass" in the meeting room.



Father Gino will be in the meeting room between

10:00-11:00am for personal prayer, counselling, confession, talk and dialogue, coffee or tea.

We are inviting children who are interested in becoming altar servers in our churches to kindly contact the parish office, Father Gino or Herman Rodrigues.



CWL 50/50 tickets are now available! This is a major fundraising activity for the CWL. Anyone

wanting to assist us in selling them, books are available at the parish office or by calling Diane @ 274-7682. Thank you for your assistance. It is greatly appreciated!



Catholic Women's League

Christmas

BAZAAR

A date has been set for the CWL Christmas Tea & Bazaar - November 19th. The convenors are Evelyn Rawn (276-8507) & Mitzi Armstrong (275-9905), Gemma Lamonato & Jeannette DeGagné (274-7973) for the kitchen. The convenors have accepted their previous positions and we are very grateful for their continued support. If anyone would like to participate, your help is always welcome. We can find a place for you at one of the tables or more hands are always welcome in the kitchen.

Ladies, when doing your fall cleaning and you come across items you no longer need, please consider donating them to the bazaar (i.e. Silent Auction, prize tables, Jewellery table, scarfs, belts, hats, purses, Christmas table and Sewing table (sewing, knitting, etc.). Please contact Denise Bliss @ 807-274-9534 if you have any questions about the Sewing Table. You are welcome to drop donations off at the parish office.

Your donations ensure a successful bazaar.
Thank you for your ongoing support.

We look forward to another SUCCESSFUL Tea & Bazaar!

We have a special collection for Father Gino's home diocese, the Diocese of Kottar. **To date we have collected \$6,785.00**. We will continue to collect donations. Please make



cheques payable to St. Mary's Church. There are envelopes available at the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

St. Mary's:

Completed - replaced railing on steps on North side of building

Ongoing repairs - refinishing of pews
Upcoming - remove tripping hazard wires by piano
& laptop

- Category 5 testing on elevator (\$10,000)

Our Lady of Lourdes:

In process – replace main front doors **Rectory:**

Ongoing repairs – basement

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In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Shirley Fraser, Queenie Leschinski,
Maurice DeGagné, Noella 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, Sue
Sivonen, Anna Busch, Murray Gibson, Lorraine
Smith

Offertory Collection for St. Mary's <u>Weekend Of</u> Sept. 3 - \$1835.45

Offertory Collection for Sacred Heart Sept. 3 - \$374.60



OUR LADY OF LOURDES In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Curtis Jourdain, Mary Lou Parks, Dale Krueger, Steven "Beaver" Morrisseau, Roger Fillion, Gwen Beadle

Offertory Collection for Our Lady of Lourdes

<u>Weekend Of</u>

Sept. 3 - \$643.97

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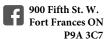
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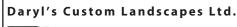
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