

St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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ST. MARY'S



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Reverend Gino Mathias, Pastor

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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, Wednesday, 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.



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 26th

9:20am + Peter Boon Sr. – The Family

Wednesday 27th

9:20am + Helen Hallach – Harold & Theresa Huntley

Thursday 28th (10am @ Rainycrest)

8:00am Intentions of Fr. Alan Albao – Tina & Jamie Roth

10:00am + Mary Kolynchuk – Neil & Shirley Whitefield

Friday 29th

9:20am + Mary Kingerski – Anna McNay

Saturday 30th

9:20am + Special Intentions – Anna McNay

5:00pm + Luke Schill – Jim & Sandra McKinnon

Sunday 1st (9am @ Our Lady of Lourdes)

9:00am + Rose Bird – Plum & Shawn

11:00am + Luke Schill – Diane Maxey and + Tony Edgett – Bernice & Michael Kempf

September 24, 2023

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Isaiah 55.6-9)

2nd reading: (Philippians 1.20-24, 27)

Gospel: (Matthew 20.1-16)

Are you envious because I am generous?

Ministry Schedule

Sept. 23 – George/Kayden (Lector), Monique (EMHC)

Sept. 24 – Gilles/Miranda (Lector), Gail (EMHC)

Sept. 30 – Anne/Ingrid (Lector), Karen (EMHC)

Oct. 1 – Jeremiah/Michael (Lector), Kathy (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 6:00pm, meeting to follow at 6:30pm** at St. Mary's Church.

What's going on?!

Sept. 30 – Mass dedicated to National Day for Truth & Reconciliation – 9:20am

Oct. 3 – K.C. Meeting - 6:30pm (after 6:00pm mass)

Oct. 4 – CWL Fall Potluck – 6:30pm

Raphael - God Heals

In Hebrew, Raphael means "God Heals." His feast day is celebrated on September 29, along with St. Michael and St. Gabriel.

Archangel Raphael is the patron saint of those who are ill and the caregivers who attend to them on Earth. He stands as a beacon of hope during our darkest hours, acting as the conduit for God's healing light. His broad range of influence promotes overall health, healing journey/healing miracles, youthfulness, and the joy of living.

Always kind, Raphael stands ready to provide aid to those who seek comfort and healing. If you're in need, remember that Archangel Raphael is always listening, and his help is just a call away.



Saint Raphael Prayer

Blessed Saint Raphael, Archangel, we beseech you to help us in all our needs and trials of this life. We humbly seek your aid and intercession, that our souls may be healed, our bodies protected from all ills, and that through divine grace we may be made fit to dwell in the eternal Glory of God in heaven. Amen.



This day is dedicated to commemorating the history and legacy of the residential school system in Canada. The 9:20am mass on September 30th will be in honour of this day.



Sunday, October 1st we will be holding our annual Life Chain Event. It will start with a rosary for life at 2pm in the

church and will proceed to Scott Street for an hour of silent reflection and prayer on the harmful effects of both abortion and euthanasia.

All parishioners are urged to make an effort to attend.





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!**

MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

St. Mary's:

- Ongoing repairs - refinishing of pews
- Upcoming - remove tripping hazard wires by piano & laptop
- Cat 5 testing on elevator (\$10,000)

Our Lady of Lourdes:

In process – replace main front doors

Rectory:

Ongoing repairs – weeping tile



Father Gino would like to thank the organizers and helpers who planned the coffee last Wednesday for Marie Bock. Thank you to everyone who attended. Marie, you will be missed!



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!



Our Diocesan Ministry Campaign is in full swing as we begin our fall season. Thanks to all those who have already given to our annual ministry campaign this year, and we ask others to also be generous in responding to our diocesan needs. These donations assist in making sure the needs of families, parishes and clergy are met in our diocesan family.



St. Mary's - goal \$25,000, collected so far \$6,675.00
OLOL - goal \$4,000, collected so far \$350.00

ST. MARY'S

**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
Weekend Of
Sept. 17 - \$1197.60*



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remember those who are sick:**

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

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