St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



ST. MARY'S

Parish Office

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Pastoral Team Reverand Gino Mathias, Pastor

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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. Mass Schedule Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 9:00am@OLOL, 11:00am Wednesay, Friday & Saturday 9:20am Tuesday 6:00pm Thursday 10:00am@Rainycrest

Confessions

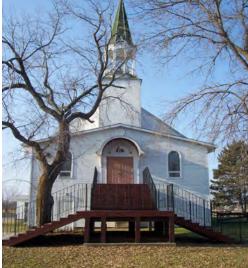
Tuesday - Saturday 9:00am Saturday 4:00 - 4:30pm Sunday 10:00 - 10:40am 8:20 - 8:50am OLOL or by appointment

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)

*****OUR MISSION*****



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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





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.

THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS 4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME January 28, 2024

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 30th

6:00pm + Cyril Chabot – Deloras Chabot

Wednesday 31st

9:20am Intentions of Carol Derkson - A Friend Thursday 1st @ St. Mary's

10:00am + Flora Frenette – Marg Rousseau Friday 2nd

9:20am + Bev Archibald – Louella and We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Saturday 3rd

9:20am + Emile Chabot – Deloras Chabot 5:00pm + Luke Schill – Josie & Family and + John Lesczynski – John

Sunday 4th

9:00am + Bev Archibald – Louella 11:00am + Maria Assis, + Jose & + Angela Rocha

- The Leschinski Family

January 28, 2024 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 1st reading: (Deuteronomy 18.15-20)

2nd reading: (1 Corinthians 7.32-35) **Gospel: (**Mark 1.21-28**)**

Ministry Schedule

Jan. 27 – Kim/Anne Z. (Lectors), Karen (EMHC) Jan. 28 – Kayden/Georges(Lectors),Kathy(EMHC) Feb. 3 – Kim/Gilles (Lectors), Monique (EMHC) Feb. 4 – Jeremiah/Ingrid (Lectors), Greg (EMHC)



CWL Membership fees for 2024 are due. The membership fee is \$35. Payment can be made on those days by cash or cheque. You can also e-transfer

to diane58@tbaytel.net. Forms are available in the church foyer and can be dropped off at the Parish office or put in the collection basket. Thank you for continuing to support our league. We welcome all new members.

What's going on?!

- Jan. 27/28 Cookie Bake Sale after masses Feb. 4 – Youth Pizza & Movie Night – starts with mass @ 5:00pm
- Feb. 7 CWL General Meeting 6:30pm
- Feb. 11 World Day of the Sick Rosary before weekend masses

From the Pastor's Desk WELCOME BACK FRIEND!

Dear friend....

We hope this message finds you well. It has been a while since we last saw you at St. Mary's and Our Lady of Lourdes churches, and we want you to know that you are missed. Our faith community is not the same without your presence, and we sincerely hope that you consider coming back to join us.

We understand that life takes unexpected turns, and sometimes the path of faith can become challenging. We want you to know that you are not alone, and our doors are always open to welcome you back with open arms. Whatever led you away, we are here to support you on your journey back to the Church.

We want you to know that you are valued, accepted, and loved. Our community is a place of forgiveness, understanding, and growth. If there are any questions or concerns, you'd like to discuss, we are here to listen with compassion.

In the coming weeks, we have several events and activities that you might find interesting. It would be a joy to have you join us for worship, fellowship, and community service. We believe that, together, we can strengthen our faith and create a supportive environment for all.

Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or if there's anything specific, you'd like to explore. We are here for you, and we look forward to sharing this journey of faith with you once again.

May you find peace, joy, and a renewed sense of connection as you consider returning to our faith community. We look forward to the possibility of sharing in the journey of faith together once again.

May peace and blessings be with you. In love and truth, Fr. Gino Mathias Pastor@stmarys&olol

Due to scheduling conflicts, we were not able to plan for a January Youth



Group activity. We will make up for this lost month in the future.

Activity nights will resume Saturday Feb 3, 2024. We will start at 5PM at St Mary's Church with a Mass followed by homemade pizza making in the kitchen and a movie. We should be wrapped up no later than 8:30 PM. "Come and See a movie / Take and Eat some pizza".

In order to plan accordingly we ask that families fill out the survey.

Please feel free to share the link and this email with other interested families so that they can register online.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSffC1_PgzK4I Skk9xeWPqPmxbxM4fObsVxmUJfFzDXE6uvV3Q/viewfor m?usp=sf_link

For families who have not yet paid registration fees for 2024 Youth Group or who have yet to sign the waivers, we ask that we have those forms filled out when possible. They will be available on Feb 3rd during drop off and if they can be filled out when you pick your youth up that would be great. The fees are \$120 for the year.

ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP GR.7-12 Pizza and movie Night!

SATURDAY FEB 3 2024 5 PM MASS FOLLOWED BY PIZZA AND MOVIE DONE AROUND 8:30PM

COME AND SEE / TAKE AND EAT SEE / TAKE SEE / TAKE





World Day of Prayer March 1, 2024 2:00pm @ St. Mary's



"I Beg You... Bear With One Another in Love" Ephesians 4:1-3



We could not have done it without you! The

parishioners of St. Mary's have come through to make the soup and bun fundraiser a financial success. Many hands made light work. The following

people donated their time, treasures and talents to put on the soup and bun event: Helen, Gemma, Kristan, Artina, Sandra W, Evelyn, Jeannette, Sandra M, Anita, Shirley, Neil, Pat, Grace, Maria, Sara, Jean, Joy, Marie, Tina & Gerald. Thank you for blessing our parish as we work towards financial stability. We raised just under \$2100!



Father Gino is available in the office or the church: **Tuesdays from 2:00pm-6:30pm, Wednesdays** – **Fridays from 9:00am-3:00pm, and Saturdays from 9:00am-noon**, for one-on-one visits for personal prayer, counselling, confession, talk and dialogue.

<u>ST. MARY'S</u> In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:



Shirley Fraser, 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, Casey Hendrikx, Linda Blanc, Dave Egan, Rosanna Tweedie, Allison George, Lillian Bodnar, Sue Sivonen, Anna Busch, Murray Gibson, Lorraine Smith, Diane Gibson

> *Offertory Collection for St. Mary's* <u>Weekend Of</u> Jan. 21 - \$1723.05



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 Weekend Of Jan. 21 - \$524.20

