

St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



ST. MARY'S



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

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Reverend Gino Mathias, Pastor

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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
Wednesday, 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)

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 6th

6:00pm In Thanksgiving – Deloras Chabot

Wednesday 7th

9:20am + Becky Ball – Bob & Sandra Wepruk

Thursday 8th @ St. Mary's

10:00am + Souls in Purgatory – Frank & Monique Strain

Friday 9th

9:20am + Albert Bernardi – St. Mary's Church

Saturday 10th (Healing Mass with Anointing)

9:20am Intentions of Danielle Halliday & Her + Deceased Family – Ingrid Carlson

5:00pm + Phillip Proffitt – Carole MacKintosh & Family and the Intentions of Sylvia Johnston – Jim & Sandra McKinnon

Sunday 11th

9:00am + Sue Foran-Ross & + Powder Foran – Tina Roth

11:00am + Bert Hanzuk – Michael and + Duane Cridland – Maria S.

February 4, 2024

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (Job 7.1-4, 6-7)

2nd reading: (1 Corinthians 9.16-19, 22-23)

Gospel: (Mark 1.29-39)

Ministry Schedule

Feb. 3 – Kim/Gilles (Lectors), Monique (EMHC)

Feb. 4 – Jeremiah/Ingrid (Lectors), Greg (EMHC)

Feb. 10 – Anna/Meagan (Lectors), Sandy (EMHC)

Feb. 11 – Kayden/Miranda (Lectors), Gail (EMHC)

What's going on?!

Feb. 7 – Coffee with the Pastor – after morning mass
– CWL General Meeting – 6:30pm

Feb. 8 – OLOL CWL meeting – 7:00pm

Feb. 10 – Healing Mass with Anointing – 9:20am

Feb. 10/11 – World Day of the Sick – Rosary before weekend masses (4:30pm Saturday & 10:30am Sunday)

Feb. 11 – Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes Mass at 9:00am at OLOL

Feb. 13 – Shrove Tuesday Pancakes – 5:30-7:00pm
Mass @ 5:00pm

Feb. 14 – Ash Wednesday

– School Mass – 9:30am

– Church Mass – 6:00pm

From the Pastor's Desk

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes & World Day of the Sick

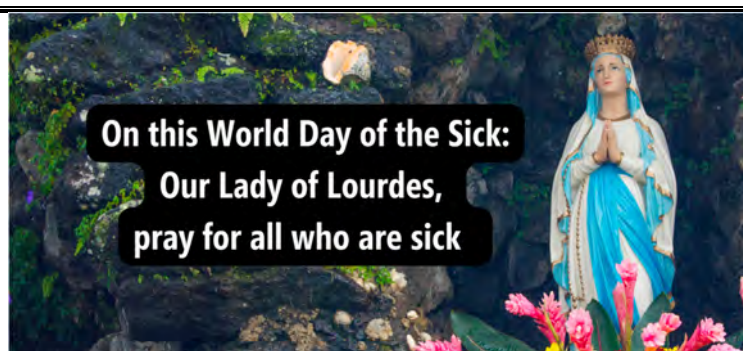
"The sick, the fragile and the poor must be at the heart of the Church and at the centre of our pastoral concerns" - Pope Francis

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes is celebrated on February 11. In 1858, Mary appeared 18 times to Bernadette Soubirous, a 14-year-old girl, near the Grotto of Massabielle in Lourdes. During these apparitions, Mary identified herself as the Immaculate Conception and instructed Bernadette to dig in the ground, revealing a spring with healing properties.

The Grotto of Massabielle in Lourdes, where the apparitions took place, has become a major pilgrimage site. Pilgrims from around the world visit the grotto to pray, seek healing, and participate in religious ceremonies.

The feast day has also been designated as the World Day of the Sick by the Catholic Church. The World Day of the Sick offers us another opportunity to pray for all those who suffer, and to reflect on our commitment to them. Everyone is encouraged to take concrete steps to accompany those who are ill and isolated, whether through prayer, visiting a loved one, offering gratitude to healthcare professionals and volunteers, or other acts of solidarity.

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes holds great significance for those with a devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and those seeking intercession for healing. **We wish all our parishioners of Our Lady of Lourdes 'A Happy Feast'** and a meaningful celebration on that day. In love and truth,
Fr. Gino Mathias



Mark Your Calendars UPCOMING EVENTS

Rosary for the sick with be prayed before the weekend masses – 4:30pm on Sat., Feb.10 and 10:30am on Sunday, Feb.11.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK



Feb. 11th Mass at OLOL @ 9:00am is dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day – refreshments in the parish hall after mass.

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting:



**SHROVE TUESDAY
PANCAKE SUPPER**

February 13 from 5:30-7:00pm. Mass at

5:00pm. Free will offering!

K.C. members interested in helping out, please contact Ken Desjardins @ 807-276-4079.



FRIDAYS
during Lent,
Feb. 16th -
March 22nd



St. Mary's Fish Fry dinners will once again be available on the 6 Fridays during Lent – Feb. 16 & 23, Mar. 1, 8, 15 & 22. Included with each dinner will be two muffins. We are looking for volunteers to donate 2 dozen muffins on a Friday of their choosing. Please contact Tina Gurski at 807-271-5234 (text or call) to donate or for more information. Thank you for your open-handedness. We are so fortunate to have such a generous and dedicated church community!



**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 had two very successful fundraisers and were able to raise \$3055.65 which was matched by a generous benefactor. We will need to top that up by just \$2254.32! Thank you all

again for your continued support of our parish!



CWL general meeting will be on Wednesday, February 7 at 6:30. Looking forward to seeing ladies in red with smiling faces at the gathering. Guest speaker? Wonder who it is? Please make an effort to attend.



Note: the rosary for peace will be prayed before the meeting for those who wish to participate.

ST. MARY'S

**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
Weekend Of
Jan. 28 - \$5910.40*



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remember those who are sick:**

Curtis Jourdain, Mary Lou Parks, Dale Krueger, Roger Fillion, Gwen Beadle

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Weekend Of
Jan. 28 - \$496.00*



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