

St. Mary's & 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.

Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00pm, Sunday - 11:00am

Tuesday - 6:20pm, Wednesday - 9:20am

Friday - 10:00am

Thursday - 10:00am @ Rainycrest

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

Sunday - 9:00am

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 9:20 - 10:00am

Confessions

Wednesday - Friday - 9:00am

Saturday - 3:30 - 4:30pm

8:30 - 8:50am @ OLOL

or by appointment

(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*****



**Our Mission is to glorify God by fostering a belonging church
where all are loved and led into an authentic, life-changing
relationship with Jesus Christ.**



**YOUR FAITH HAS
MADE YOU WELL**

October 12, 2025
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**THANKSGIVING
BLESSINGS**

MASSES FOR THE NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 14th

6:20pm + Monty McLeod – Rita & Wayne McLeod
and The Intentions of St. Mary's
Bereavement Group on Their
20th Anniversary

Wednesday 15th

9:20am + Larry Armstrong and + Moses Obikili
– Margrit Schaum

Thursday 16th @ Rainycrest

10:00am + Montica McLeod – M. Mathews and The
Intentions of Allison George – Tina
& Jamie Roth

Friday 17th

10:00am + Beloved Deceased – The Bereavement
Group and + Larry Armstrong – Gemma
Lamonato

Saturday 18th

5:00pm + Larry Armstrong – Grace Huntley and
+ Pat Dittaro – Frank & Monique Strain

Sunday 19th (9am @ Our Lady of Lourdes)

9:00am + Sister Jacqueline Bartush – Donny,
Anthony & Eugene Klymko & Michelene
And Special Intentions – Anna McNay &
Betty Mueller

11:00am + Perpetua & + Rommel Blasé – The
Family and + Lourdes Pimentel – The
Leschinski Family

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st reading: (2 Kings 5.14-17)

2nd reading: (2 Timothy 2.8-13)

Gospel: (Luke 17.11-19)

Ministry Schedule

Oct. 11 – Gilles/Kim (Lectors), Lynn (EMHC)
Oct. 12 – Shelley/Ingrid (Lectors), Gina (EMHC)
Oct. 18 – Gemma/Anna (Lectors), Sandy (EMHC)
Oct. 19 – Micheal/Marie (Lectors), Greg (EMHC)

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Catholic Women's League

50/50 DRAW

CASH PRIZE of 1/2

TICKETS SOLD

To Be Drawn: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, Dec 14, 2025

2,000 Tickets Printed | \$2/ticket

Available from CWL members and the parish office.



What's going on?!

Oct. 13 – Thanksgiving – Church & Office closed

Oct. 14 – Bereavement Group Meeting – 1pm

Oct. 16 – World Food Day – CWL Rosary – 2pm
followed by refreshments

The C.W.L. of St. Mary's Parish

CHRISTMAS TEA & BAZAAR

Sunday, November 16, 2025 from 2:00 – 4:00pm

The convenors are in place and we are very grateful for their 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.). You are welcome to drop donations off at the parish office. Your donations ensure a successful bazaar.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

START PURGING NOW!!

**We look forward to another
SUCCESSFUL Tea & Bazaar!**

CWL 50/50 tickets

Tickets \$2 each or Book of 10 - \$20

**Get your tickets from the Parish Office or
Plum @807-274-3567 or Evelyn @807-276-8507**

**Please return sold tickets to the
Parish Office.**

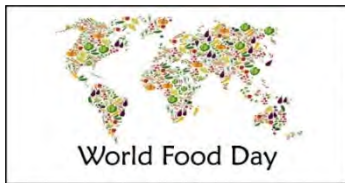


**Bereavement
Support**

The Bereavement Group is celebrating 20 years of service at St. Mary's this October 2025! We are

grateful to Fr. Francis & to Margrit Schaum for recognizing the need for this ministry in our parish. Margrit has spent many hours over these past 20 years, praying, planning & facilitating the meetings. **THANK YOU Margrit!**

Meetings are still held every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1pm. All who feel the need to attend...to listen or to share...are welcome. Please contact the parish office for more information.



World Food Day 2025 takes place on **Thursday, October 16th**. It is celebrated every year all over the world with a view

to paying tribute to the founding date of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations in 1945. The day is observed throughout the world by many organizations and authorities such as the World Food Programme and the International Fund for Agricultural Development that work on food security. **The CWL will pray the Rosary at 2pm** followed by refreshments, illustrating the inequity of food distribution in the world. Members are asked to bring a loony or a toony as a token of acknowledgement that we get more than our share. A donation will be made to the Canadian Foodgrains Bank (a Christian response to hunger in the world).

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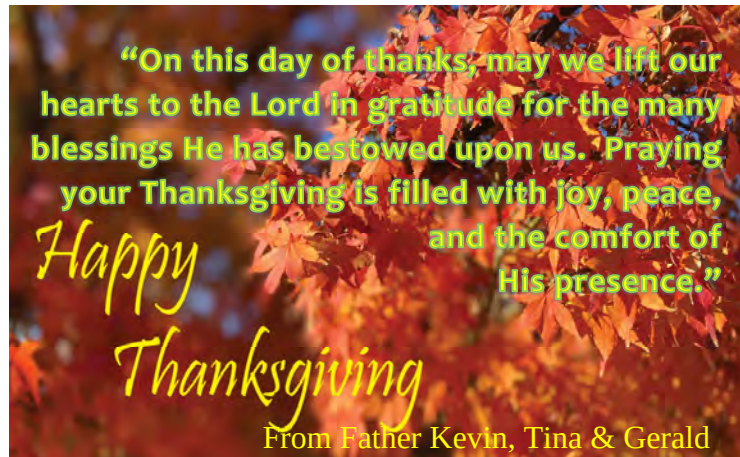
Oct. 12th – St. Luke the Artist -

In this episode of Sacred Art, Taylor Kemp and Dr. Ben Akers discuss Rogier van der Weyden's painting, "Saint Luke Drawing the Virgin," artistry and what it reveals about St. Luke the Evangelist.; St. Teresa of Avila - A powerful epic mini-series shot on location in Spain that tells the story of one of the most amazing women in history, St. Teresa of Avila. With meticulous attention to detail and historical accuracy, this acclaimed major film production is the definitive film on the life of this great saint.; St. Ignatius of Antioch - Learn about St. Ignatius of Antioch, a remarkable saint who died a martyr for his fidelity to Christ in this episode of Catholic Saints with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp. <http://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed>



OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The first half of the Hail Mary is from Scripture: the Angel Gabriel's greeting to the Virgin Mary when God let her know of her unique place in the history of human salvation. The second half is the church's response, our petition to Mary as Mother of God. We acknowledge our need for her help for our salvation now, and we ask in particular for this help at the moment of our death. So many private apparitions of the Blessed Virgin over the centuries have given us messages about this help, and it is a great comfort to believe that Mary will be there when the soul, the source of life for our body, struggles toward a different form of living. Mothers give birth; Mary will be there, no matter when or how death comes to each of us.



Annual Diocesan Ministry Campaign

"Set your mind on things that are above," *Colossians 3:2*

The Annual Diocesan Ministry Campaign is in full swing. You should have received pledge forms and information in the mail. Bishop Campeau believes 'we can raise the profile of the faith communities across the diocese by keeping our minds set on the thing that are above. The Spirit is alive, and we know that we are doing what God wants of us. Together we can build a vibrant and life-giving Church.'

The Bishop has revamped & reduced the overall total for the campaign to \$400,000 from \$435,000.

The goal for St. Mary's is \$20,950.00.

The goal for Our Lady of Lourdes is \$4,800.00.

The campaign runs until December 31, 2025.

Please pray for

ST. MARY'S - Shirley Fraser, Noella

Hamilton, David Whalen, Frank Strain, Ewan MacKintosh, Dave Egan, Kathleen DeGagné, Greg Gustafson, Linda Blanc, Lillian Bodnar, Sue Sivonen, Anna Busch, Lorraine Smith, Loretta Foran, Theresa Olson, Yves Aucoin, Ronald Haukaas, Anita Artyszuk, Betty Mueller, Joyce Gosselin, Isabella Keuler, Arlene Kolynchuk, Maria Langenfurth, Beatrice Lambert, Tate Foley, Leanne Crompton, Janice Parks, Jerry Darvell, Mindy Wallace, Shirley Buttner, Susan Hunking, Amy LaFroy, Lawrence Desserre, Rita Moorhouse, Marco Grigio, Paul Noonan

OUR LADY OF LOURDES - Curtis Jourdain, Mary Lou Parks, Dale Krueger, Roger Fillion, Brian McPherson, Laverne (Gabby) Caul, Marilyn Perreault, Heather Jeffers, Candace Tucker



Offertory Collection for Weekend of

Oct. 5, 2025: St. Mary's - \$1659.80

Our Lady of Lourdes - \$1037.00

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