

St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



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Rev. Fr. Kevin Ezeobi, SMMM, 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 - 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 9:00 - 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 1 month 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.**





March 22, 2026
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

*I am the resurrection
and the life.*
John 11:25

MASSES FOR THE NEXT WEEK

Monday 23rd

6:00pm Penitential Service with Adoration and Confessions

Tuesday 24th

9:20am + Josh Sigurdson – Greg, Gina & Miranda

Wednesday 25th - NO MASS

Thursday 26th - NO MASS

Friday 27th – Stations of the Cross @ 5:45pm followed by Mass immediately after.

Saturday 28th

**5:00pm + Waclaw & + Jozefa Zielonko – The Family
And + Diane Lovisa – Frank & Monique
Strain**

Sunday 29th (9am @ OLOL) PALM SUNDAY

9:00am + Eugene McPherson – The Family and The Intentions of All Parishioners

11:00am + Bob Mitchelson – Frank & Monique Strain and + Murray Gibson – Jamie & Tina Roth

Fifth Sunday of Lent

1st reading: (Ezekiel 37.12-14)

2nd reading: (Romans 8.8-11)

Gospel: (John 11.1-45)

Ministry Schedule

Mar. 21 – Marie/Kim (Lectors), Sandy (EMHC)

Mar. 22 – Dale/Anne Z. (Lectors), Gina (EMHC)

Mar. 28 – Anna/Kim (Lectors), TBD (EMHC)

Mar. 29 – Miranda/Kaydon (Lectors), TBD (EMHC)

What's going on?!

Mar. 23 – Penitential Service with Adoration & Confessions – 6pm

Mar. 24 – Morning Mass @ 9:20am

– Mysteries of the Rosary Group Study-7pm

Mar. 25-26 – No Masses – Father out of town

Mar. 26 – Chrism Mass @ 7pm St. Patrick's Cathedral – Thunder Bay

Mar. 27 – Final Lenten Fish Fry – 4:30pm

– Stations of the Cross – 5:45pm

– Mass immediately after Stations

Mar. 28 – Altar Server Practice – After mass



The Annual Mass of Sacred Chrism: will take place on **Thursday March 26, 2026 at St. Patrick's Cathedral, 211 Archibald St.**

S., at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to participate in this solemn Mass celebrated by Most Rev. Alan E. Campeau and the Priest of the Diocese, for the blessing of the Oils to be used for celebration of the sacraments. **Fr. Kevin will be away so he can attend this Sacred Mass.**



Adoration & Confessions

Monday, March 23rd at 6:00pm



**Next Friday, March 27th is our Final Fish Fry
PICK-UP STARTS AT 4:00pm, DELIVERY 4:30pm**

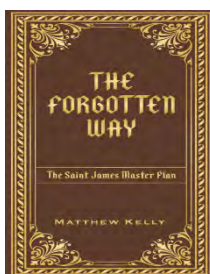
Deadline for orders is 3:00pm the Thursday before.

**For more information contact
Barb @807-276-1226**

PRE-SALE TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE PARISH OFFICE for \$25.00

(Price includes walleye and all the fixings!)

There has been another scam going around from an address that looks like Father Kevin. If you receive an email from Father Kevin Ezeobi with the address of pastoralmail688@gmail.com, please do not respond. This is not from Father Kevin. Be mindful & careful.



We welcome you to take a copy of this new Matthew Kelly book **"The Forgotten Way"**. We hope this book will help you on your Lenten Journey. Thanks to the generous parishioners who paid for these books for us to share!



WE NEED YOU
Inspire faith in our children.

Become a Children's Liturgy Leader!

Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help out!



We had hoped that he was the one

There is a special collection on Good Friday for the Needs of the Holy Land.

Please Remember the Holy Land Collection
Good Friday, April 3, 2026

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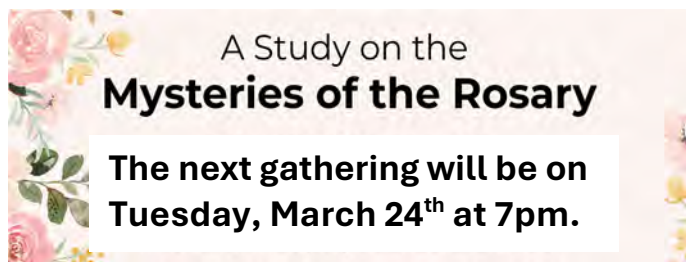
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Help create hope for and fulfil the dreams of the communities we support in the Global South by giving to your Share Lent parish collection or online at devp.org/give. **Thank you for your solidarity!**

FORMED **The Annunciation** - The Angel Gabriel appeared and all of Heaven trembled in anticipation. Mary gives her fiat and our long wait is over! Generation after generation of longing and aching for a Messiah comes to fulfillment. **The Annunciation | Sacred Art** - Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they discuss the spiritual and theological significance of the Annunciation over a piece of Sacred Art by Elizabeth Zelasko that depicts this incredible scene.

The Annunciation: Hail Mary - Join Ms. Kim as she discusses devotion to Mary and the significance of Mary's "yes." All the while, you will learn new drawing techniques as you draw the Annunciation.

<http://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed>



A Study on the **Mysteries of the Rosary**

The next gathering will be on Tuesday, March 24th at 7pm.


Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Saturday, March 28, 5:00 pm SMC
Sunday, March 29, 9:00 am OLOL
Sunday, March 29, 11:00 am SMC
Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper
Thursday, April 2, 7:00 pm SMC

On Holy Thursday, parishioners are encouraged to bring gifts for the poor, which will be presented with the bread & wine.

Good Friday Solemn Service
Friday, April 3, 3:00 pm SMC
Stations of the Cross
Friday, April 3, 7:00 pm OLOL
Solemn Easter Vigil
Saturday, April 4, 8:00 pm SMC

Parishioners are encouraged to bring bells to the Vigil to ring during the Gloria! We will also light candles.

Easter Sunday
Sunday, April 5, 9:00 am OLOL
Sunday, April 5, 11:00 am SMC

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, Joyce Gosselin, Isabella Keuler, Arlene Kolynchuk, Maria Langenfurth, Beatrice Lambert, Tate Foley, Leanne Crompton, Jerry Darvell, Mindy Wallace, Shirley Buttner, Susan Hunking, Amy LaFroy, Rita Moorhouse, Marco Grigio, Paul Noonan, Bernice Kempf, David Lovisa Sr., Frances Valera Bersamin, Scott McLeod, Rod Davis, Frank Ball

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


Offertory Collection for Weekend of Mar. 15, 2026: St. Mary's - \$1878.06
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