

St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

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



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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.



April 5, 2026

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

MASSES FOR THE NEXT WEEK

Tuesday 7th NO MASS

Wednesday 8th St. Mary School Mass @ church

9:30am + Paul & + Mary Luchka – The Family

Thursday 9th

9:20am + Jessie Kawulia – Marg Rousseau

Friday 10th Rosary & Adoration @ 9:00am then

Mass @

10:00am + Beloved Deceased – The Bereavement Group and The Intentions of Susan Deschamps – Sandra McKinnon

Saturday 11th

5:00pm + Diane Lovisa – The Strains and + Don, + Eileen and + Eloise McGee – Lynn & Phyllis Kellar

Sunday 12th (9am @ OLOL) DIVINE MERCY

9:00am + George McPherson – Donna and Kathy and The Intentions of All Parishioners

11:00am + Bob Mitchelson – Greg & Kathy Mercure and + Deceased Loved Ones of the Kepes, Del Zotto, Belluz & Ferguson Families - Marie

(There will be a baptism during this mass)

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord.

1st reading: (Acts 10.34a, 37-43)

2nd reading: (Colossians 3.1-4)

Gospel: (John 20.1-18)

Ministry Schedule

Apr. 2 (Holy Thursday) – Anna/Gemma (Lectors), Sandy (EMHC)

Apr. 3 (Good Friday) – Kayden/Michael/Shelley (Lectors), Gina (EMHC)

Apr. 4 (Easter Vigil) – Miranda/Kim/Anne Z./Marie /Ingrid (Lectors), Gina (EMHC)

Apr. 5 (Easter Sunday) – Miranda/Kayden (Lectors) Gina (EMHC)

Apr. 11 – Anne/Gemma (Lectors), TBD (EMHC)

Apr. 12 – Dale/Shelley (Lectors), TBD (EMHC)

What's going on?!

Apr. 3 – Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Lourdes - 7pm

Apr. 3 & 6 – Parish & Office closed

Apr. 8 – St. Mary School mass at St. Mary's Church – 9:30am

Apr. 8 – CWL General Meeting – 6:30pm (Rosary at 6pm)

Apr. 12 – Men's Group Meeting – 2pm

From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have journeyed with the Lord for forty days with prayers, fasting, penance, self-denial, almsgiving and other acts of charity. Now we can celebrate, for Jesus Christ our redeemer has risen from the tomb: Let us sing a hymn to the Lord our God, Alleluia!

As we celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord, we are invited to be joyful for Jesus has conquered death on our behalf, He has given us hope of rising again. His resurrection shows that God's love and mercy are boundless. We are therefore encouraged to sustain the gains we made in our Lenten journey by following the footsteps of our Lord through prayers, almsgiving, humility, and other virtues.

As I wish you all a very happy and Spirit-filled Easter celebrations, I pray for you all, for your families, for our Parish communities, and for your friends and well-wishers. May the blessings, love, healing, peace and the protection of the Risen Lord be upon every one of you, amen. I thank you all for being part of this wonderful family of God (the Church), thanks for being generous with your time, talents and resources in the service of God, the Church and humanity.

YOU ARE THE BEST!

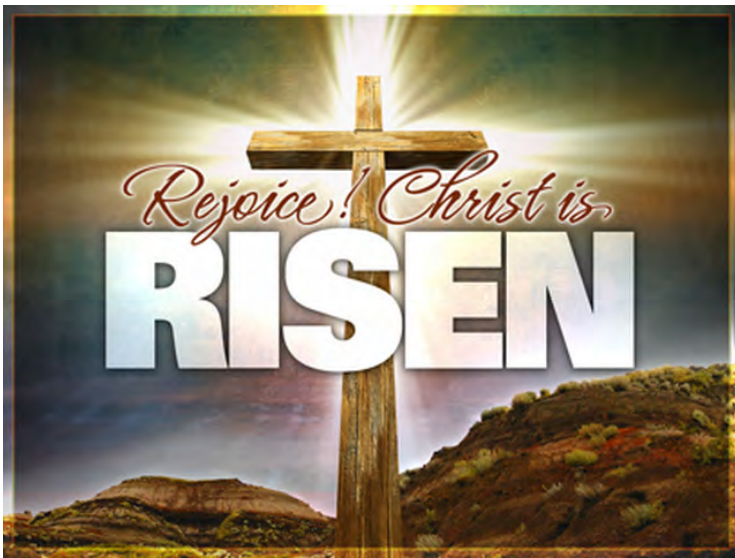
May the Lord grant all your good intentions.

HAPPY EASTER!

Fr. Kevin Ezeobi, SMMM



From Father Kevin, Tina & Gerald!



CWL General Meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 8th at 6:30pm. All women of the parish are invited to come out in celebration of Easter. Put on a flower and/or some brights colour in acknowledgement of

the Resurrection and the coming of spring! Note: The Rosary for world peace will be prayed prior to the meeting at 6pm for those who wish to participate. Looking forward, as always, to seeing you!



The next Men's Group meeting will be at **2pm** on **Sunday, April 12th.**

The topic will be the **Sacrament of Baptism.**



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!



Our Children's Liturgy Program needs you! We need volunteers to continue to offer this program. The program takes place on **Sundays** during the 11am mass. Please consider assisting with this



important ministry. Contact the parish office if you are willing to help inspire faith in our children.

FORMED What Catholics Believe About the Resurrection: Was Jesus a Ghost?

Join Dr. Michael Barber as he answers some of the Internet's most popular questions about the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Did the Resurrection actually happen? Was Jesus a ghost when he appeared to the apostles? And what's the deal with the Easter Bunny? **Easter and the Resurrection | The Augustine Institute Show Alleluia!** He is Risen! Join Fr. Brian Larkin, Pastor at Our Lady of Lourdes parish in Denver, Colorado, as he discusses the Resurrection and the Easter season with Dr. Tim Gray on the Augustine Institute Show. **The Resurrection** In this episode, Mark Hartfiel and other experts unpack the mystery of the Resurrection, going back to the historical places where these world-changing event happened.

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

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, Pam Makarchuk

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


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