

PARISH NEWS Con't

Parish Lenten Spiritual Retreat, St. Mary's Church, Grafton

Just in time for your Lenten journey, come listen to Catholic Evangelist Patrick Sullivan.

Sunday, February 19th 7 – 8 pm: Your Life Is Worth Saving

As a general rule we don't see ourselves clearly, and because we don't, far too many spiritual ills afflict us. Join us, as we examine our lives in light of the seven deadly sins, and work hard at seeing ourselves through the eyes of the God of mercy.

Monday, February 20th 7 – 8 pm: Your Life Is Worth Living

Far too many of us are confused about spiritual growth and what it could mean for our lives. Tonight, we discuss some wonderful virtues and we work hard on attaining them so that we can become the very people that we hope to be.

You will leave the mission feeling encouraged, loved and with a great sense of hope even as we take a look at our own personal wounds and enter into the season of Lent leading to the passion of our Lord.

St Mary's CWL

1. World Day of Prayer: Mar.03/23 at 2:00 pm. at Eddystone Baptist Church. All members and parishioners are invited to attend. There will be a social time after the service with coffee and snacks.
2. The next CWL meeting is March 06/23 at 9:30 am at the rectory.
3. The CWL word of the week is "CHANGE". Are you ready to transform your spiritual life, serve others and act on social justice issues? This change is possible when you join the CWL. It has all these values at the heart of its mission. Please plan to attend a CWL meeting at St. Mary's Rectory.
4. Keep the people of Turkey and Syria in your prayers. We are all aware of the devastation in Turkey and Syria due to earthquakes and after shocks that have rocked both these countries. There have been many many thousands of deaths. The count is still continuing to rise. Many citizens have lost not only their homes, families, all their belongings but face hunger, disease and the cold temperatures. PLEASE make a contribution to assist the many organizations that are working on the ground in both countries to help these people. You will find the link to make donations listed in the bulletin. Your help is urgently needed!
5. Please continue to pray for the citizens of the Ukraine as they face so many challenges caused by the Russian Invasion.

Diocese of Peterborough Appeal for the earthquake victims in Turkey and Syria

The devastation wrought by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria is heart-wrenching and it has inspired many to ask how they can respond. To support an immediate response, parishioners can make donations online. The four organizations are well-positioned with connections in the earthquake area to respond to urgent needs and you can donate directly to these organizations. It is really the fastest route to get the money to where it needs to go. Here is the link to access the attached document through the Diocesan website. www.peterboroughdiocese.org/earthquake/

Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19th, 2023



“LOVE YOUR ENEMIES AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU.”

Education:

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: 905 349-2504

St Mary Elementary School, Grafton:

Nicole McGill, Principal 905 349-2061

St Mary Secondary School, Cobourg:

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Catholic School Board www.pvnccdsb.on.ca

Parish Committees & Organisations:

Finance Committee:

Melissa Lilje, Secretary 905 349-2504

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Parish Pastoral Council

Dennis Goulin Chairperson 905-372-7684

Music at Mass:

St Mary's Choir
10 am Mass on Sun

Altar Servers

Parish Office 905-349-2504

St Mary's Catholic Women's League:

Pat Murphy, President 905 349-2847

Alta Vance, Religious Articles 905 344-7443

CWL Diocesan website:

www.peterboroughcwl.ca

St Mary's Cemetery Board:

Melissa Lilje, Secretary 905 349-2504

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Lectors

Richard Holland 905-349-3710

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Suzanne Liptay 905-372-3031

Parish Library

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SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Baptisms, Marriages, & Anointing of the Sick may be arranged by calling the Office.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday at 8:30 am & 4:30 pm, or anytime on request.

First Friday of the month - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 9am

THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 19TH AT THE ALTAR

Feb. 20, Mon., Feria - 9 am -

Feb. 21, Tues., Feria - 9 am -

Feb. 22, Wed., **Ash Wednesday** - 9 am - **Int: Cheryl Krentz** [Cathy Krentz]

Feb. 22, Wed., **Ash Wednesday** - 7 pm -

Feb. 23, Thurs., Feria - 9 am -

Feb. 24, Fri., Feria - 9 am -

7 pm - **Stations of the Cross**

Feb. 25, Sat., Feria - 9 am -

Feb. 25, Sat., **1st Sunday Of Lent**

5 pm - **Dolores Schmidt** [Gord & Cheryl Krentz]

Feb. 26, Sun., **1st Sunday Of Lent**

10 am - **For the People of the Parish**

NEXT WEEKEND LAY MINISTERS Feb 25/26	5 pm	10:00 am
Lectors	Paula Blick	Kathleen Ancker
Eucharistic Ministers	Greg Blick	Margaret Harry/ John Logel
Ushers/Greeters	Darrell & Noelle Manley	Robert Ugolini/ Ed Nemec

Intercessions:

- Let us pray this Sunday for the Clergy and the People of the parish of the Immaculate Conception in Peterborough.
- Let us pray for the sick in our Parish.

PARISH NEWS PARISH FINANCES

	Last Weekend	Same Time Last Year
Sunday Collection	\$2,310.00	\$1,550.00
Building Maintenance	\$161.00	\$65.00
Heat	\$105.00	\$175.00

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES IN FEBRUARY

No anniversaries that we know of, but wish everyone celebrating an Anniversary this month God's continued blessings on all of you!

Live streaming of the Mass for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Mass for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time will be live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains starting at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 18, 2023. The Mass will be available thereafter on the YouTube channel for the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough.

Please click the link below to join in prayer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=US1ImRYAv5c>

E-Transfers - The Parish is able to accept e-transfers. If you forget your envelope or you are visiting and want to make a one time donation, you can log onto your mobile banking after Mass and send your donation to office@assumptiongrafton.ca. Make sure to put your **envelope # or name and address in the message section of the transfer.** The transfers are auto deposit so no need to set up a password.

Truth and Reconciliation - Learning - Mark these dates in March on your calendar!

There are two opportunities for learning coming up in March - one offered by St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Warkworth and one offered by the First Peoples House of Learning at Trent University.

March 1, 2023, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. - **A Session with Chief David Mowat, Alderville First Nation** (To reserve your seat, email TruthandReconciliation@StJeromesWarkworth.ca)

March 10 to 12, 2023 - **Returning to Ourselves: Elders and Traditional Peoples Gathering** (For more information and to register: <https://www.trentu.ca/fphl/elders-traditional-peoples-gathering>)

Tax Receipts

The income tax receipts have been prepared and have been mailed out. Look for them in the mail!