

PARISH NEWS Con't

St Mary's CWL

1. World Day of Prayer: Mar.03/23 at 2:00 pm at Eddystone Baptist Church. All members & parishioners are invited to attend. There will be a social time after the service with coffee and snacks. There will be a collection taken up. The monies will be used to fund the WDP many many programs in Canada and around the world. Eg – Horizons of Friendship (aiding childrens' health in Guatemala), Farmtown Canada, Aylmer, On (to assist girls who are under aged trafficked victims) and in Kenya (aiding childrens' health).
2. The next CWL meeting is March 06/23 at 9:30 am at the rectory.
3. Please continue to pray for the citizens of the Ukraine as they face so many challenges caused by the Russian Invasion.
4. Keep the people of Turkey & Syria in your prayers. On Monday, Feb.20/23 there were two more earthquakes that rocked both countries. The damage is so devastating with more deaths and many more injured. If you have not done so PLEASE make a contribution online to assist the organizations that are working in both countries. Here is the link to access these organizations through the Diocesan website: www.peterboroughdiocese.org/earthquake/
5. The CWL word of the week is "Charity". CWL Councils provide as opportunity for others to contribute monetary aid through fundraising activities that create awareness and community building. Be part of this organization that gives to others.

Development and Peace

D&P has chosen **CREATE HOPE** as its 5 year theme, focusing this year on 'Stand for the Land'. Many communities desperately want to protect their land, a source of life and hope. Next week you will receive a **CREATE HOPE** booklet which explores these issues so that the voices to of the marginalized in the Global South are heard and steps taken to create change. On the fifth Sunday of lent there will be a collection for this cause.

Come to the Library

Henry Nouwen was a prolific, easy to read and popular author; we have a selection of his books in our library..second shelf on the left.

Out of Solitude is a reflection on the place in our lives where we balance silence with words, withdrawal with involvement, distance with closeness and solitude with community. Jesus showed us the way to do this in our lives.

In ***Lifesigns: Intimacy, Fecundity, and Ecstasy in Christian Perspective*** Nouwen explores how these three elements offer the essential key to a life free from fear , and filled instead with hope and love.

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1st Sunday of Lent

February 26th, 2023



**“JESUS
FASTED FORTY
DAYS, AND WAS
PUT TO
THE TEST.”**

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:
Jason Roberts, Principal 905 372-4339

Catholic School Board www.pvnccdsb.on.ca

Parish Committees & Organisations:

Finance Committee:
Melissa Lilje, Secretary 905 349-2504

Knights of Columbus: 905 349-2504

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

St Vincent de Paul Society 905 377-3263

Eucharistic Ministers
Judith Goulin 905-372-7684

Ushers
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Lectors
Richard Holland 905-349-3710

Development and Peace
Suzanne Liptay 905-372-3031

Parish Library
Margaret Harry 289-439-0764

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 26TH AT THE ALTAR

Feb. 27, Mon., Feria - 9 am -

Feb. 28, Tues., Feria - 9 am - **Henry Lange** [Lynn & Marie McVety]

Mar. 1, Wed., - 9 am -

Mar. 2, Thurs., Feria - 9 am -

Mar. 3, Fri., Feria - **First Friday** - 9 am - **The Auger Family** [Vicky Auger]

7 pm - **Stations of the Cross**

Mar. 4, Sat., Feria - 9 am -

Mar. 4, Sat., **2nd Sunday Of Lent**

5 pm - **For the People of the Parish**

Mar. 5, Sun., **2nd Sunday Of Lent**

10 am - **Gay Stratford** [Dave & Marilyn Rudd]

NEXT WEEKEND LAY MINISTERS Mar 4/5	5 pm	10:00 am
Lectors	Dave Hughes	Margaret Harry
Eucharistic Ministers	Paula Blick	Judith/ Dennis Goulin
Ushers/Greeters	Darrell & Noelle Manley	Theo Mensen/ Ed Nemec

Intercessions:

- Let us pray this Sunday for the Clergy and the People of the parish of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Lindsay.
- Let us pray for the sick in our Parish.

PARISH NEWS PARISH FINANCES

	Last Weekend	Same Time Last Year
Sunday Collection	\$2,395.00	\$1,775.00
Building Maintenance	\$0.00	\$0.00
Indigenous Reconciliation	\$100.00	\$0.00

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES IN MARCH

Larry & Irene Flood (61 yrs on March 3rd), Vince & Diane Meekes (36 yrs on March 7th). God's continued blessings on all of you!

Live streaming of the Mass for the First Sunday in the Season of Lent

The Mass for the First Sunday in the Season of Lent will be live-streamed from the Cathedral of St. Peter-in-Chains starting at 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 25, 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=RY519w2jEcg>

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/fph/elders-traditional-peoples-gathering>)

First Friday

Friday March 3, 2023 is the first Friday of March. Adoration of the Blessed sacrament will Begin at 9 am then Mass will follow.