

ST MARY'S CWL

1. Church Picnic – August 20/23 after the 10:00 am mass. *IT's a potluck.* Bring something delicious to eat and a chair to sit upon.
1. The CWL Word of the Week is "LEADERS". The CWL has many programs and workshops that empower women in becoming confident leaders who journey together to build God's kingdom in the areas of faith, service and social justice!
2. Pray for all the people around the world and within Canada who are impacted by challenges in their daily lives.
3. Have a great summer! God travels with you where ever you go!

Feast of Title and Parish Picnic

1. This year our Feast of Title is on Tuesday August 15th. We will Celebrate on Sunday August 20th where the Liturgy and Mass will be focused on the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The celebration will continue after Mass bringing us all together for our annual parish picnic.
2. The Annual Parish Picnic will be Sunday **August 20th** following the 10 am Mass. Please bring potluck salad or dessert and please bring your own lawn chairs

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES IN AUGUST

Ed & Pat Nemec (54yrs on August 2nd), Andriy & Helen Hrycyna (40yrs on August 6th), Al Brown & Cathy Vasas-Brown (41yrs on August 7th), Stephen & Laura Krentz (19yrs on August 14th), Keith & Laura MacDonald (39yrs on August 25th), Don & Carol Anne Maybin (52yrs on August 27th). God's continued blessings on all of you!

MUSIC IN THE SQUARE

We are back! Thursday evenings bands play from 6 pm - 8 pm at the Gazebo in the square in Colborne. There will be a 50/50 draw and food available for purchase. Bring your lawn chair!

This Thursday August 17th the feature is Little Lake– This hugely popular Colborne and Cramahe Township-based band will bring fun Country-Rock tunes to the Square. Food: BBQ from Black Dress Catering.

Thank you!!! To our incredible sponsors: Cramahe Township, Dekeyser Excavating, McGlennon Insurance, Home Hardware, Cramahe Family thrift Shop, Colborne Lions Club, Colborne Legion, Colborne Masonic Lodge, Colborne Rotary, Kim & Sam Realty..... And More!!!

Parish of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Fr. Martin Dalida, Pastor

*19th Sunday
in Ordinary
Time*

August 13th, 2023



"Lord Save me"



"Why did you doubt?"

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

Michael Mullin, Chairperson 416 300-8680

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

Parish Office

905-349-2504

Lectors

Richard Holland

905-349-3710

Development and Peace

Suzanne Liptay

905-372-3031

Parish Library

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 AUGUST 13TH AT THE ALTAR

August 14, Mon., *St Maximilian* - 9 am - **Thanksgiving of Fr Martin**

August 15, Tues., Feria - 9 am - **No Mass Today**

August 16, Wed., Feria - 9 am -

August 17, Thurs., Feria - 9 am -

August 18, Fri., Feria - 9 am -

August 19, Sat., Feria - 9 am -

August 19, Sat., **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

5 pm - **+ Teresa Gilligan** [Tim & Liz Gilligan]

August 20, Sun., **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

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

August 19/20	5 pm	10 am
Lectors	Paige Mullin	John Logel
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Pat Rutherford	Michael Stephenson & Bernadette Murray
Ushers/Greeters	Darrell & Nick Manley	Rob Ugolini / Ian Manley

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@assumptiongrifton.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.

PARISH FINANCES

	Last Weekend	Same Time Last Year
Sunday Collection	\$3,565.00	\$2,632.00
Building Maintenance	\$370.00	\$263.00
Vocations & Campus Ministries	\$190.00	N/A
Bank Balance	\$3,154.55	

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

PATRON'S DAY CELEBRATION - The feast of the Assumption of Mary, the patron saint of our parish happens to fall on the 15th of August. As a community bonding together under mother Mary's intercession, we will celebrate the feast on Sunday, August 20th with the liturgy and activities for that day focused to give her our special honor.

FINANCIAL BOOST- Last week I was impressed and inspired by one parishioner, who after finding that our parish operating balance for that week was just \$1, 261, she decided to come to the rectory and gave me her offering supposed to be for the whole year purposely to boost the relatively low parish fund. For as long as we have parishioners with such commendable disposition and concern for the church, this parish will survive and thrive.

FR. ACE - The St. Vincent de Paul in my hometown, Loay, Bohol, is so grateful to the parishioners of St. Mary's Parish, Grafton, for the generous donation of \$2,300.00 collected last June. I gave them the money in the amount of 95,220.00 Pesos for the exchange was 41 pesos and 40 cents per dollar. The Organization decided to buy rice for it is a basic need. We eat rice 3 times a day. They bought 40 sacks of rice, 50 kilos per sack of rice, in the amount of 79,960.00 pesos. The rice was distributed to 96 families with an average of 5 persons per family. Each family received an average of 20 kilos and some of them don't have rice to cook. The remaining amount of 15,260 pesos was deposited to their Account for their other works of charity. The St. Vincent de Paul here including myself expresses our heartfelt gratitude of your kindness and the kind of charity extended to far place. We keep you in our prayers. May the good Lord who have seen your goodness in secret may reward you in secret!

POPE FRANCIS ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE'S (A.I.) DANGERS - Pope Francis warned that artificial intelligence could pose a risk to society, highlighting its "disruptive possibilities and ambivalent effects" and urging those who would develop or use AI to do so responsibly. Francis alluded to the threat of algorithmic bias in technology and called on the public for vigilance, "so that a logic of violence and discrimination does not take root in the production and use of such devices, at the expense of the most fragile and excluded." The protection of the dignity of the person," he said, "and concern for a fraternity effectively open to the entire human family, are indispensable conditions for technological development to help contribute to the promotion of justice and peace in the world."