

ST. MARY'S CWL

1. The CWL Word of the Week is "FRIENDSHIP". The CWL members build everlasting Friendships. We celebrate new members, anniversaries and special events along the way. Meetings, socials, projects and conventions create bonds of friendship. Members meet new friends from their parish and beyond.

2. Congratulations to St. Mary's CWL Executive members who will be reaffirmed in their positions on Sunday, June 16/24 at the end of Mass. President - Patricia Murphy, Secretary - Suzanne Liptay, Treasurer - Kathy Ancker, Past President - Jackie Innis. Congratulations! May God bless each of you and guide you in your roles in the CWL.

3. Congratulations to St. Mary Elementary School grade 8 students who graduate on June 21/24, ready to begin their journey at the Secondary School level in September. May God bless you all as you continue your education.

4. Happy Father's Day to all the dads. Enjoy God's blessings on this special day!

SAINT JOSEPH, A TENDER & LOVING FATHER – "The greatness of Saint Joseph is that he concretely expressed his fatherhood "by making his life a sacrificial service to the mystery of the incarnation and its redemptive purpose. Even through Joseph's fears, God's will, his history, and his plan were at work. Joseph, then, teaches us that faith in God includes believing that he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses. He also teaches us that amid the tempests of life, we must never be afraid to let the Lord steer our course. At times, we want to be in complete control, yet God always sees the bigger picture." St. Joseph, bless & intercede for all fathers in our families.

PRECEPTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH - The 5 Precepts of the Catholic Church: 1. To attend Mass on Sundays and on holy days of obligation, 2. To confess sins at least once a year, 3. To receive Communion at least once a year during the Easter season, 4. To observe the days of fasting and abstinence, 5. To help provide for the needs of the Church. These are a description of the absolute minimum actions required of Catholic members. They represent the minimum level of moral living. Intentional violation of the precepts or the Commandments is a grave matter. The Church uses these precepts to remind us that Christian life requires a commitment to prayer and active participation in the liturgy and sacraments. If we fall below this bare-minimum level, we can't rightly consider ourselves to be in full communion with the Catholic Church. The FIFTH of the Five Precepts of the Church is: "You shall help to provide for the needs of the Church." The fifth precept means that the faithful are obliged to assist with the material needs of the Church, each according to his own ability." **Go beyond the minimum!** Always remember: the precepts of the Catholic Church are *minimum* levels of participation in the life of the Church. Out of love for Christ and a desire to advance in the spiritual life, you will normally try to do far more than they require.

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**11TH SUNDAY
ORDINARY TIME**

June 15-16, 2024



Parish Committees & Organisations

Parish Pastoral Council, *Michael Mullin*
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St Mary's Choir, *Alfons Casteels*-905-269-2352

Sanctuary Decorations & Altar Linens, *Cheryl Krentz*-905-269-1950

Religious Articles, *Alta Vance*-905-344-7443

St. Mary's Elementary School, Grafton: *Angelo Costa* (Principal)-905-349-2061

St Mary's Secondary School, Cobourg: *Jason Roberts* (Principal)-Tel. 905-372-4339

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

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

Confessions: Saturday at 8:30 am & 3:30 pm, or anytime on request.

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

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

June 17, Mon. NO MASS TODAY

June 18. Tues. 9am

June 19, Wed. 9am - +Souls in purgatory by Ian Manley

June 20, Thurs. 9am

June 21, Fri. 9:30 am (St. Aloysius Gonzaga) - School Graduation Mass

June 22, Sat. 9am - Special Intention for Darrell Manley by Ian Manley

June 22, Sat. 4pm - For the People of the parish

June 23, Sun. 10am - Respect for Life at all stages by St. Mary's CWL



LAST WEEKEND

Sunday Offertory - \$1, 146

Balance - \$9,816.67

POP May - \$735.00

E-transfers for May – \$795.00

JUNE 22 & 23 WEEKEND MASSES

4 pm

10 am

LECTORS: Jackie Innis

Melissa Lilje

EMHC: Sr. Donna Smith

John Logel

USHERS: Nick & Darrell Manley Ed Nemec & Theo Mensen

PRAYING FOR THE SICK MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY



Dalton McDonald, Phyllis Cooper, Jeannie Grol

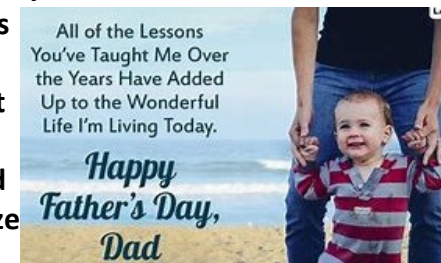


ST MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL GRADUATION MASS 2024 - There will be no 9am regular Mass on Friday June 21 to give way to St. Mary's School Graduation Mass which will be celebrated @ 9:30 am on that day. Congratulations to the graduating students!

ST. MARY'S CWL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS— CONGRATULATIONS! for being reaffirmed today at 10am Mass. May God bless and guide you in your roles in the CWL.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

FATHER'S DAY - "The impulse to honor fathers is a worthy one and it comes with the biblical admonition to honor our fathers and mothers: (Exodus 20:12)'Honor your father and your mother'. Father's Day gives us a chance to explain how truly blessed we are that our Heavenly Father has abundantly graced us with the most wonderful Earthly Father. We thank God for our dad every day. On this Father's day, it is important to recognize and reward dads for being there actively teaching important life skills to children. It is important to their children and meaningful to dads everywhere when we say "Thank you, job well done." This, after all, is what makes life worth living. This is your true legacy: ensuring the health and well-being of your children, that future generation to be. **Happy Father's Day!**



CLERGY APPOINTMENTS EFFECTIVE JUNE 26, 2024 - To be assigned as pastors: Father Paul Hogan to St. Alphonsus in Wooler and Holy Angels Parish in Brighton, Father Peter Lukow to Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Hastings, Father Darlington Oparaike to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Cardiff, Father Vicente Valles to St. Patrick's Parish in Kinmount. Father Ronald Meyer and Father Christopher Reynolds are retiring from active duty. Father Joseph Devereaux is on Sabbatical Leave.

HELP NEEDED FOR LAWN MAINTENANCE - Dear Parishioners, we are seeking volunteers who own weeders or grass cutters to help maintain the downhill area of our church/rectory lawn that our hired company cannot reach. By lending a hand, you'll contribute to making our grounds look even more beautiful and help us save on maintenance costs. We hope to see some positive responses to this effort and appreciate your generosity and support. If you are able to assist, please write on the sheet placed at the back, your name, your contact (mobile # or email address), and best available day to work. Thank you for your continued commitment to our parish community.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - The Cobourg Council of the Knights of Columbus would like to express our gratitude to the ladies of Grafton CWL for their generous donation towards the Clergy appreciation dinner held recently in Bowmanville. With your help, the Knights of Columbus councils of District 48 were able to give the Bishop a cheque that evening for \$3200 to go to support the retired priests.

ST MARY'S PARKING LOT SALE - The Catholic Women's League of the Assumption of the BVM Parish want to extend a grateful thanks to all parishioners who donated items and/or purchased items to make our 2024 Parking Lot Sale a success! All money raised will be used to support our parish, our community and charitable works.