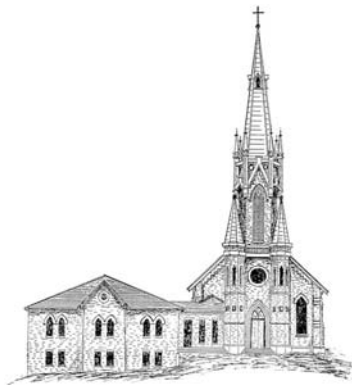


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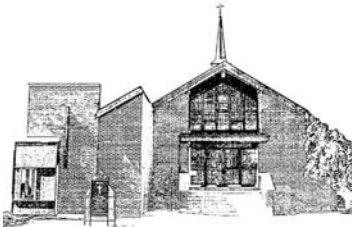
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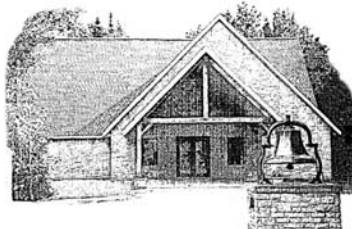
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Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am



St. Vincent, Meaford
Sunday 11:00 am



St. Thomas The Apostle, Tobermory
Saturday 11:30 am



St. Mark, Lions Head
Saturday 9:30 am

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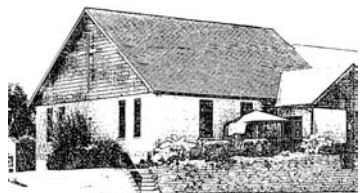
St. Mary of the Rosary, Hepworth
Sunday 9:00 am (Nov-Mar)



Holy Family, Sauble Beach
Sunday 9:00 am (Apr-Oct)



St. Stanislaus, Chatsworth
Sunday 9:00 am



St. Thomas Aquinas, Warton
Sunday 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Owen Sound: Monday-Friday 9:00 am

Tuesday, Thursday 7:00 pm

DIVINE MERCY OWEN SOUND

Friday 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am-12 noon; 1:00 pm-5:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before all weekday and the Lord's Day Masses.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to your new parish! You will find registration forms at the back of the Church. Fill one out and drop it in the collection basket.



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St. Mary's, Cape Croker
Sunday 1:00 pm

1st Sunday of Advent

December 1st, 2024



Dec 2nd to Dec 8th

Mon 9:00 am Darlene Lee +
Private Mass: Jack Lyall +

Tue 9:00 am The Lee Family (Int)
7:00 pm Nieves Carlos +

Wed 9:00 am Phyllis Cooper +
Private Mass: Karen Duggan (Int – Healing)

Thu 9:00 am Stephen Rovers +
7:00 pm Mary Ann & Bob Kirkconnell (Int)

Fri 9:00 am Elizabeth Dunning (Int)
Private Mass: Yvonne Harron +

Saturday – December 7

9:30 am Lion's Head – Rose Sajonas +
11:30 am Tobermory – Bert & Doris Brockhouse +
5:00 pm Owen Sound – Darlene Lee +

Sunday – December 8

9:00 am OS – Bishop Douglas Crosby (Int)
11:00 am OS – Jessica Munn (Int)
9:00 am Chatsworth – Joseph Lepre & family (Int)
11:00 am Meaford – Edith Schwellinger +
9:00 am Hepworth – Nelson Bell +
11:00 am Warton – Pro Populo
1:00 pm Cape Croker – Mass

From the Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar

This week we pray for:

Mon. Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
Tue. Rev. Carlos Diaz
Wed. Order of Preachers (Dominican, O.P.)
Thu. Rev. Fulbert Jonas Ahouansou
Fri. Rev. John Van Hees
Sat. Engaged Couples

*** Sacrament of Anointing & Communion to the Sick:
Available upon request. Please call the office. ***

Welcome to our new Custodian, Elizabeth
and Thanks to Don

Dear Parishioners,

For our Parish, we have a new custodian, Elizabeth Stadler. She started her work on Tuesday, November 26th. We WELCOME ELIZABETH to our Team and wish her all the best in her assignment. May the Lord bless her for the service that she renders for the church.

We are grateful to Don Buchanan, our outgoing Custodian, for his years of service to the Parish. THANK YOU, DON, for the generosity and dedication with which you did your work. May the Lord's blessings be upon you.

Fr Paul Mathew, Pastor

* In the Parish *

Parish Gift Shop - We just received some new Christmas items in the gift shop! Please drop by during office hours and have a look. We also now have some Christmas cards.

Also, for those hard to buy for people, we have our Parish travel mugs available for \$10. Proceeds from these mugs and all items in the gift shop goes to our Parish.

Adoration – Coming before the Blessed Sacrament in prayer and meditation is an important spiritual practice of the Church. Adoration of the Holy Eucharist is every Friday starting at 9:30 am until 10:30 am. Please come and spend some time in the presence of our Lord.



Sunday Missals 2024-2025 are now available in the parish office during regular office hours. The price is still \$5 each.

Cemetery Closure and Clean Up - All 4 parish cemeteries will be closed from December 1st to May 1st as usual. People may continue to visit the cemeteries throughout the winter. Rights holders are reminded to remove any decorations which may blow around or suffer the ill effects of winter weather. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping the cemeteries beautiful.

Knights of Columbus - The Knights of Columbus invite you to the monthly Parish Breakfast this **Sunday, December 1st after the 9 am and 11 am** Masses at St. Mary's Church, in the Parish Centre. A donation is appreciated, with proceeds towards K of C projects.

St. Mary & the Missions Catholic Charities - **St. Mary & the Missions Christmas Card** is a fundraiser that helps those in need in our community all year long, assisting with emergency groceries, and lending support to the many services provided in our area. Please take one of the green and white envelopes in the pew and make a donation, if you are able. Please put your envelope in the collection basket no later than **December 15th**.

The Giving Tree is a simple and easy way to help others at this time of year. Take a tag from the tree, purchase the item listed on the tag and bring the gift (unwrapped) with the tag back to the church. The Giving Tree works in conjunction with the Salvation Army. These gifts must be back to the church no later than **December 10th** as the Salvation Army will be picking them up for distribution before Christmas.



Catholic Women's League — The St. Mary of the Assumption CWL would like to thank all who donated to the Bakeless Bake Sale. With your help \$756.47 was raised for Parish and Community Projects! Thank you for your support.

The St. Mary of the Assumption CWL whole-heartedly thanks those who donated to, worked at, attended, and/or otherwise supported our bazaar on November 23, 2024. Please know that the winner of the Food Basket was Mary Martina. JoAnn Gilkinson won the Quilt and Christina Watson won the 50/50. Thank you to all!

St. Thomas Aquinas CWL Christmas Dinner – CWL members and parish women are invited to attend a Christmas dinner **Tuesday, December 10th at Top Notch Restaurant, Wiarton at 5 pm.** Cost is \$21 plus refreshment and gratuity. RSVP Debbie Heard 519-379-5185 by Dec 2.

St. Thomas Aquinas CWL is holding a fundraiser Bake Sale and Hostess Gift Sale on **Sunday, December 15th at noon** in St. Thomas Aquinas Hall, Wiarton. Enjoy conversation, coffee, homemade soup and bread. Bakers, please drop off baking to the hall Saturday, December 14th 1-2 pm or by 10:30 am on December 15th.

Update: Holy Family Catholic Church, Sauble Beach

"I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord, that my name may be there forever" 2 Chr 7:16

Holy Family had a very busy year, re-opening in April 2024. As reported earlier in the bulletin, the interior renovations, after the successful removal of the black mould under our peaked roof, were both physically and fiscally done in a responsible way, with no outstanding debt.

Our beautiful church welcomed our permanent members, seasonal parishioners and many visitors who came to the beach. The pews were full with active participation in the celebration of the Mass, in joyful prayer and song. We received many compliments on how bright and welcoming our church was.

The black mould forced us to focus on the interior of Holy Family Church first. Once the heaters were rewired, the new fans installed (G & M Electrical) and our audio system (which is currently being shared with St. Mary's of the Rosary, Hepworth for the winter months) and the microphones adjusted (Taylor Electronics), we turned our attention to the exterior needs. If we didn't do some work in this area our interior repairs were in jeopardy.

Three areas were addressed: resurfacing the 25% of the flat roof and entrance canopy (not done in 2016 when the rest of the flat roof was done), replacing two windows that would not close properly and had broken seals, and repairing or installing new eavestrough, soffit and fascia around the exterior of the church roofline and canopy. Several companies were contacted to submit proposals, and the renovation committee selected the tenders of DJ Peat (Annan), Van Dolder's (Owen Sound) and Staubitz Contracting (Sauble Beach). All repairs are now completed, and we are ready for winter.

Due to the success of our summer Building Fund envelope program, the generosity of our congregation, as well as, the much-needed support of the Ex Corde Foundation, Hamilton Diocese (\$25,000.00 as reported in the Nov. 6 bulletin) we were able to accomplish all of the required exterior work at Holy Family with no debt to St. Mary's or any of the mission churches.

Holy Family feels blessed! We have a true sense of pride and accomplishment in doing what was necessary, both in the interior and exterior of the church, and we feel confident that the church is in excellent condition now and for the future. Many thanks to all who helped financially to make

this possible. A special thanks also to members of the renovation committee for their personal contribution of time, material and talents.

We look forward to celebrating our 75th anniversary in July 2025. More details will be shared in the bulletin as we plan this special event. We hope you can join us as we rejoice in the house of the Lord!

* *In the Community* *

Seven Sorrows Outdoor Rosary – To honour Our Lady of Guadalupe for the conclusion of Cardinal Burke's 9-month Novena, Larry Romanowich (519) 378-1417 is hosting an outdoor Seven Sorrows Rosary and candlelight procession. Starts at 5 pm on December 12th at 057005 Concession 11 of Georgian Bluffs, **weather permitting.** Dress appropriately, (0.5 km trail through a forest) and bring a waterproof candle/lantern/flashlight.

* *In the Diocese* *

First Sunday of Advent – Dec 1, 2024 - "Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life." Are worldly cares dragging you down? Be a follower of the Master. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com or visit the website: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

For the Sick, our fellow parishioners and family members



who need our prayers: Sandra Hill, Pat McIntyre, Anne Loisel, Sharon Richard, Fr. Bill Scanlon, Ryan Warmington, Stan Juras, Anne MacDonald, Jackie Furlotte, Donelda Woods, Bill Schinbein, Josee Costantini, Mike McFayden, Dennis Solomon, Colleen Warmington, Marie Beckberger, Rob Zaltron, James Gamble, Cheryl Watters, Lydia Foch, Alwyn D'Silva, Joan West, Colleen Wright, Andrew Gambal, Mike Adams, Bernadette Lewis, Lyn Hannigan, Becki Knisley, Tom McDonnell, Sharon Cantlon, Brad Cahoon, Ben Meissner, Helen Hunter, Felix Poole, Matt Bell, Arnold Hodgkinson, and Mike Couture. **We pray to the Lord.**

Donations received the week of Nov 16/17, 2024, and Nov 23/24, 2024

Owen Sound	\$ 4, 225	\$ 5,454
Sauble Beach	813	283
Meaford	1, 673	1, 124
Wiarton	818	860
Hepworth	181	501
Chatsworth	609	579
Tobermory	237	202
Lion's Head	<u>318</u>	<u>383</u>
	\$ 8, 874	\$ 9, 386

May God bless you for your generosity.

If you would like to check on your total donations as the year draws to a close, please email the bookkeeper at adminstmaryowensound@hamiltondiocese.com and she can look that up for you. If you have moved during the year, please make sure that the parish office has your new address.

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