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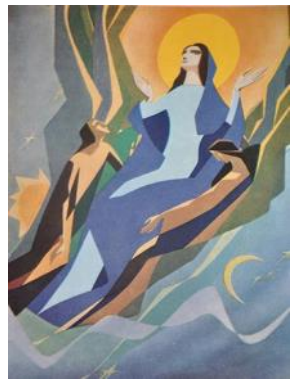
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I am not my own: I have given myself to Jesus, He must be my only love.

**Parish Ministries**

*Liturgical Ministries:*  
Altar Servers  
Children's Liturgy  
Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist  
Readers  
Ushers

*Music Ministry:*  
Saturday Vigil Music  
Sunday Choir & Organist

*Support and Outreach:*  
Altar Society  
Friends of St. Kateri  
Friends of St. Mary's  
Gospel Reflection Group  
Holy Communion to Shut-ins  
Hot Lunch Program  
Parish Finance Committee  
Parish Pastoral Planning Com.  
Parish Screening Committee  
St. Mary's Parish Friends  
Sacramental Prep  
Sanitizing the Church

**"Behold what we are: May we become what we receive"** / St. Augustine

When I first heard this quote, I was intrigued by what it could possibly mean. It is said that St. Augustine would hold up the host before those coming to receive communion and he would say these words to them. Their response would be 'Amen' (so be it). His vision of the Eucharist is that of a mystic, in that he sees what is clearly before him, and as well, that which still remains hidden, bidding it to come forth and to become. This phrase may be appreciated on so many levels, but I caution that it is not to be seen as separate ideas, but are all part of a symbiotic relationship, informing one another of the wholeness of the truth that we are invited to become aware of, and one with.

It is important to have the proper orientation as to who is speaking, and to whom. The first part of this phrase "behold what we are", is being spoken by the one who is holding the Eucharist and has placed it in our line of sight. We are being called to attention to something that is important, essential for us to grasp. The word "behold" signifies a revelation of something that is out of the ordinary and that it would serve us well, to contemplate on what this is before me. To behold something, is to attempt to grasp and to apprehend the depth and profundity of what we are experiencing. It may have an immediate impact upon us, but to the degree that we sit with it, let it sink in and inform us of its essential nature, we are changed. Our appreciation of the object (Eucharist) has now transcended our desire and need to interpret it. Instead, we let it teach us its true being, and ours.

**Catholic Organizations**

Catholic Women's League  
Children's Rosary Program  
Development and Peace  
Knights of Columbus  
St. Vincent de Paul Society

Note, St. Augustine uses the plural, "we" and not the singular "you". He did not say behold what you are but what we are. What had become the custom in his day, and is still very much with us, is this personal Jesus devotion. He wishes to shake us from any individualistic adoration of the Eucharist, that would excuse us from entering into a relationship with the Christ. If it is just him (Jesus) and I adoring him, this may regrettably take the place of actually fulling the second part of the phrase. So, when Augustine says 'behold what we are', the Eucharist is what we are, all of us. This phrase does not speak of our worthiness, sinfulness, holiness or blessedness, but says in the present tense, behold what we are, all of us, right now. It is the Christ that we are looking at, and this is what we are, already. Not something in the future, but right now. Augustine wants us to get this, Jesus wanted us to get this. It is about being part of the Living Christ, becoming the Christ ourselves. This brings us then to the last part of this phrase.

**Our Parish Schools**

**St. Mary's Elementary**  
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"May we become what we receive" is the acknowledgment that though this is who we may be, with all honesty and humility I recognize that I am not living it, not realizing it in my daily living. 'May we become' however, is not a wish, but is a choice that each one of us commits to, in becoming what God has created us to be. But again, it is in the plural, not the singular 'we become what we receive'. Keep this in mind, what we allow ourselves to take into ourselves, leads us to becoming it. If it is the Body and Blood of the Living Christ we receive, and we believe this to be in fact the truth, a reality, then it is what and who we become. And what we become is the Common Communal Body of the Christ everywhere, now, and what is to become. It is not immediate, but a transformative process that we continually commit ourselves to, in the moment. 'Behold who we are.' pah

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April 4, 2021  
Easter Sunday  
He Has Risen!



**We Are Both  
Good Friday People & People of the Resurrection**

There is an integral relationship between being a Good Friday person and a person of the Resurrection. It is not a matter of seeing them as two separate entities, or preferring one over the other; living one and avoiding the other. Rather, it is a cyclical relationship where they each inform the other, and the person then is elevated to a new way of being. Because of this relationship, and with everything around them, there is an expansion of their self-awareness.

A Good Friday Person is one who is willing to embrace all and everything that is before them, without bias. All experiences and the opportunity to grow in knowledge, is of equal value. To the degree that this person allows themselves to be informed (taught), and, is willing to discern the meaning of this experience/knowledge as it is, and not as one wants it to be, wisdom emerges. As wisdom emerges, awareness expands, and the old self dies. This is painful. But, death is essential in order for life both to emerge and to flourish.

This life is what we call the Resurrected Person. He or she is not entirely who they were, but are now something beyond it. That which they embody, encourages life, and is carried forward, upward, outward, inward, as the person now has a new perspective on life and being. It is not just of oneself, but they have a growing awareness that they are a part of a wholeness. This wholeness is ever being transformed, and it in turn informs the person, encouraging them once again, to enter into the place of being a Good Friday Person. This process is endless. It is not a labour, but a joy. The more one allows this process to occur, the more fully alive they become. Death/Resurrection is one.

	Weekend of April 10th / 11th		
	8:30PM Mass	9:00AM Mass	11:00AM Mass
Readers	Victoria Baumgart	Al Cormier	Diane Poling
Ushers	Walter Gryz Tracy Shisko Anna Maria Ertler Ben Boivin	Nadine Diplock Doug Neigel Judith Gottschalk Mike Pearson	John MacInnis Jean MacInnis Linda Lacroix Hugh Knox
Counters	Tuesday April 6, 2021	Linda Latour	& Sandra Cochrane

**Mass Schedule Week of April 5th - 11th Easter Week**

<b>Monday</b> 9:00AM	<b>April 5th</b> +Dave Phillips
<b>Tuesday</b> 9:00AM	<b>April 6th</b> +Gladys McQuinn
<b>Wednesday</b> 11:00AM 12:00Noon	<b>March 7th</b> Exposition /Adoration SI Anna Maria Ertler
<b>Thursday</b> 7:00PM	<b>April 8th</b> +Ria Kehl-Slock
<b>Saturday</b> 4:00PM	<b>April 10th- Divine Mercy</b> +Marion Lynch
<b>Sunday,</b> 9:00AM	<b>April 11th - Divine Mercy</b> +Apolonio Sandoval
<b>Sunday,</b> 11:00AM (B) (B) Baysville	<b>April 11th - Divine Mercy</b> SI Margaret & Ron Smith

Confessions: Saturday 3:15PM - 3:45PM and by making an appointment

Let us pray for our loved ones who have died,  
**And join our prayers with those who are in need ...**

Rebecca Muzzi, Ian Bruce, Bianca Laurie de Hernandez, Joe Hanrath, Pamela Festing, Connie Gregory, John Schreurs, Robert Foley, Ben Boivin, Steven Knox, Claudette Mainville, Ruth Anne Foley, Peter Tompkin, Patricia Quinn, Brian Haywood, Peter Gos, Sam Muzzi, Ed Quinn, Alana Murphy, Brian Dittmar, Pauline Pilon, William Hanrath, Sharon Boivin, Vano Mauro, Marvelle Kostic Philip Tompkin

If there is someone you would like to have added to our prayer list, please contact the office. Thank you

**Parish Pastoral News**

Just a quick update on the state of Covid -19 in Simcoe Muskoka. Those **over 70 years of age may now register for their first immunization online** through the provincial portal at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/>. There have been some computer glitches early this week so if you have given up, try again. The phone line is exceptionally busy. If you are trying to book this way, give me a call and I will book online for you. My phone number is **705-783-4678**. Please try to call before 4:30 pm.

So, what changes after you have the first immunization? In a nutshell, nothing. One dose of vaccine only confers about 65% immunity which means you may still get covid. If you do, your illness will be milder but you can still pass it on to all your friends and family. We need to continue to observe all Public Health Precautions, mask

**The Mystical Resurrection of The Christ / Symeon the New Theologian**

The following are excerpts from a discourse given by the Byzantine Christian monk and poet, **Symeon the New Theologian (949-1022 AD)**, to the monks of the Monastery of St. Mamas when he was the Abbot there.

... that joyous day, that day of all gladness and delight, the day of Christ's Resurrection, has arrived in the annual cycle. **Rather it occurs daily and eternally in those who know its mystery**, and so has filled our hearts with ineffable joy and exultation...

let us look and carefully examine what is the mystery of that resurrection of Christ our God **which takes place mystically in us at all times**, if we are willing, and how **Christ is buried in us as in a tomb** and how He unites Himself to our souls and rises again, **raising us** with Himself...

He unites Himself to **our souls and raises them up**, though they were undoubtedly dead, and *then grants to him who has thus been raised with Christ to behold the glory of His mystical resurrection.*

**Christ's Resurrection is thus our resurrection**, ours who lie here below...

... it has been said, **Christ's Resurrection and His glory are our glory. Through His resurrection in us it comes into being in us, is shown to us, and is seen by us...**

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**Who We Now Pray Participate in The Glorious Resurrection**

**Weekend of March 27/28, 2021**  
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**"The empty tomb of my living Lord! I saw Christ Jesus risen and adored! Bright Angels testified, shroud and grave clothes side by side! Yes, Christ my hope rose gloriously. He goes before you into Galilee."**

wearing, hand washing, staying home if you are ill, leave home for only essential reasons, for the foreseeable future. We are all in this together! Do not hesitate to call me if you have questions or help. Stay Safe.

*Marguerite Goodfellow, RN, Parish Nurse*

**New To the Parish:** We welcome you and look forward to getting to know you. Our contact information is on the cover of this bulletin. Peace and Good Will.

**Hot Lunch Tuesday:** Will be continuing this wonderful gesture of kindness in our community. Your helpful support will be greatly appreciated. You may drop off your donations to the office or in the **Poor Box** at the entrance of the church. Thank you.

**Registration for First Reconciliation/Eucharist:** You may go to our website, or contact Rosie at - [LPA@stmaryshuntsville.ca](mailto:LPA@stmaryshuntsville.ca)