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Welcome

Whether you and your family are new to the area, or here for a short visit, you are most welcome to worship with us. May you find God's peace, hospitality and friendship with us. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, the doors of our Parishes and our hearts are open to you. Let us gather as a community to celebrate the blessings that surround us.

Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 pm - St. Mary, Huntsville
Sunday 9:00 am - St. Mary, Huntsville
11:00 am - St. Kateri, Baysville
7:00 pm - St. Mary, Huntsville

WEEKDAY MASSES - St. Mary, Huntsville

Tuesday 9:00 am
Wednesday 12:00 pm
Thursday 9:00 am
Friday 12:00 pm

Confessions

Saturday 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm - St. Mary, Huntsville
Anytime by Appointment

Adoration

First Friday of the Month at 11 am, followed by Mass

Parish Departments

Parish Council - Jo Ann Giesler
Finance Committee - John Emsley
Music Ministry - Belinda Moretto
- Cathy Vancleef (St. Kateri)
Counters - Please contact the office
Eucharistic Ministers - Please contact the office
Lectors - Judith Gottschalk
Property Committee - Dcn Jan Sirek, Frank Van der Straay

Parish Schools

St Mary Elementary School
Joe Conway, Principal 705-789-6481
St. Dominic Catholic Secondary School
Carlo locono, Principal 705-646-8772
SMCDSB School Board Trustee
Joshua Boutotte 705- 722- 3555 ext., 462

Parish Office

Mary Helen Moes, Administrative Assistant

Office Hours:

Tuesday - Thursday
9:30 am - 2:30 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Hotline: 705-789-0008

Catholic Funeral Rites

Please call the parish office to arrange funeral Masses. We work closely with the funeral homes and will assist you with the liturgical arrangement to honour the departed family member.

Rites of Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Classes begin in October for Adults seeking baptism or full communion into the Catholic Christian faith Please contact the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Baptism (Infants)

Please contact the parish office for details. A pre-baptism meeting is required.

Catechism Classes (Sept - June)

First Communion and Confirmation classes are held at the parish. Registration takes place in September.

Sacrament of Marriage

Kindly contact the parish office at least six months prior to desired date of marriage. A Marriage Preparation Course is essential as are several meetings with the priest.

Anointing of the Sick

If you have a family member sick or know of someone near death please call the parish and request the sacrament of the sick.

Sick and Homebound

Please contact the parish office if you know someone confined to home or in hospital, so sacramental and pastoral care may be arranged.



Masses for the Week of Sept. 7 - 13 , 2026

Tuesday, September 8

9:00 a.m. † Gwen Smith/ Marguerite Goodfellow

Wednesday, September 9

12:00 p.m. † Charlie Lennox / Diane Lennox

Thursday, September 10

9:00 a.m. no intention

Friday, September 11

12:00 p.m. † Antonious Lamers
/ Ron & Annette Downey

Saturday, September 12

4:00 p.m. SI for an anonymous parishioner

Sunday, September 13

9:00 a.m. Living and Deceased CWL Members

11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

7: 00 p.m. People of the Parish

Prayers for the Sick

Especially for Sam Muzzi, Jaymie Ward,
Phillip Tomkin, Robert Foley, Ruth Anne Foley,
John Dunbar, Doris Lane, Connie Gregory,
Sharon Boivin, Timothy Pelyk, Peter Poustie,
Bill Weber, Kate Monk, Michaela Enright, Pam &
Don Mackenzie, Esther Phillips, Keith Ham, Carole
Ruttan, Stephanie Jarvis, Mabelle Claer,
Janine Wright, Doris Cristiano, Karl Richter,
Dallas Clarke, Linda Latour, Tcherina Zylstra,
Jim Poling Sr., Brian O'Connor, Terry Russell,
Marg Grant, Joan Ranson, Lisa Knox,
Veronica Cotman, Kenn Jumayao, Anna Maria
Ertler, Mike Berardi, Bianca Hernandez Laurie,
Eleanor Woffle, June Anne Crawford, Megan Barnes,
Michaela Enright, Marta Klaja, Heather Adams,
Sharon Huckle, Deanna Neigel, Mike Pearson,
Ursula & Bernard Recker, Elisabeth Posma

In remembrance of our deceased

Colleen Mochula

Harden not your hearts

Today's readings stress the responsibility to correct an erring brother or sister. This duty falls most heavily on the leaders in the community (see First Reading). But it is the duty of every Christian.

But the readings also stress the onus on the one corrected to repent. The consequences of not doing so are also stressed. 'If the wicked man does not repent, he will die in his sin' (First Reading). And the Gospel says. 'If he refuses to listen...treat him as a pagan or a tax collector.' In other words, excommunicate him.

'O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.' This is a very serious warning, which is contained in today's responsorial psalm. To harden one's heart means to refuse to repent. Then one is faced with the terrifying prospect of dying in one's sins.

The warning is addressed to serious evildoers. But it has relevance for us all. To a greater or lesser extent all of us are drawn towards evil. And once it becomes more of a habit, to the point where it eventually becomes part of our character.

Every evil act tends to harden a person's heart. The more a person's heart hardens, the less freedom there is to change. But the opposite is also true. Every good deed tends to soften a person's heart. Every time we do something good, we make it easier to do good again.

From a spiritual point of view, hardness of heart is one of the worst things that can happen to anyone. A harden heart is a closed heart, so it can't receive. A harden heart inevitably becomes a barren heart. To adopt a heart-hardened attitude is to maim oneself. 'Fear not that your heart might be broken; fear, rather, that it might turn into a stone.' (Oscar Wilde).

God is calling us from the error of our ways into a closer relationship with him and with one another. And it is to the heart that the call of God comes. Unfortunately, the heart is not always receptive.

To harden our hearts against one another is bad enough. But to harden our hearts against God would be the ultimate calamity. It would mean that God himself could not get through to us.

God longs for our hearts, and is continually calling us into communion with him and with one another. When we heed the voice of God everything changes. Softened by the rain of God's grace, and warmed by the sun of his love, the human heart can be turned from a wasteland into fertile ground.

Jesus came not to condemn us but to save us. In order to be saved, we have to confess our sins. But this is seldom easy. Pride makes it difficult for us to confess. However, if we do confess our sins, we have nothing to fear but the mercy of God.

Fr. Dominick Mbah, MSP

Parish Groups

Altar Care Society
Altar Servers Group
Friends of St. Kateri
Friends of St. Mary
Hot Lunch Program

Catholic Organizations

Catholic Women's League (CWL)
Knights of Columbus Council #7851
St. Vincent de Paul Society
Assoc. Missionaries of St. Paul (AMSP)

Next Weekend Ministry Schedule September 12 - 13, 2026

	4:00 pm	9:00 am	11:00 am	7:00 pm
Lectors	Ron Downey	Mary Towson	Jean MacInnis	Sandra Cochrane
EMC			Dean Beaudry	
Ushers	Ben Boivin Walter Gryns	Marguerite Goodfellow Al Kudryk Urszula Lewgowd Andre Lamy	Hugh Knox Bob Lacroix Linda Lacroix	Urszula Lewgowd James Westgarth Alexandra Kiszti

Counters: Tuesday, September 8, 2026 - Mary Kudryk and June Anne Crawford

Parish Announcements



**YOU ARE INVITED TO
THE 5TH ANNUAL**

Art Show & Tea Room

Featuring the art of:
Marilyn Smith
Corinne Murdy
Pam MacKenzie
Catherine O'Mara
Annette Downey
Mary Helen Moes
Angie Galka
Helen Hebb
Anna Silgado
Maria Laurie
Stephanie Salmon
Laura Coleman

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
11 AM - 2 PM
ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION
PARISH HALL
12 CENTRE ST. N., HUNTSVILLE

This is an opportunity for our local artists, within our parish, to share with our community the talents God has so graced them with.

The art will remain on the wall for the month of October.

The artists will be present and if you are so inclined to purchase some art, you may have that discussion with the artist.

Welcome Back Students and Families!

Fr. Dominick & St. Mary's School Principal, Mr. Joe Conway, have met this week and many great things are planned for the upcoming school year. The 1st School Mass is here on Wed., Sept. 30th



Mass Schedule Change

There will no longer be a Monday 12 noon Mass at St. Mary of the Assumption. The 7 pm Mass will end on the weekend of Sept. 27 until next summer.



RCIA Candidates

Please come to the office to complete your registration, as classes will begin soon!



St Kateri, Baysville BOTTLE DRIVE for the Restoration Fund

The Friends of St. Kateri are holding an ongoing bottle drive starting today that will run until Thanksgiving weekend. Please drop off your all your empties at the St. Kateri Mission in Baysville. All contributions would be greatly appreciated. All funds raised will be directed to the Restoration Appeal.



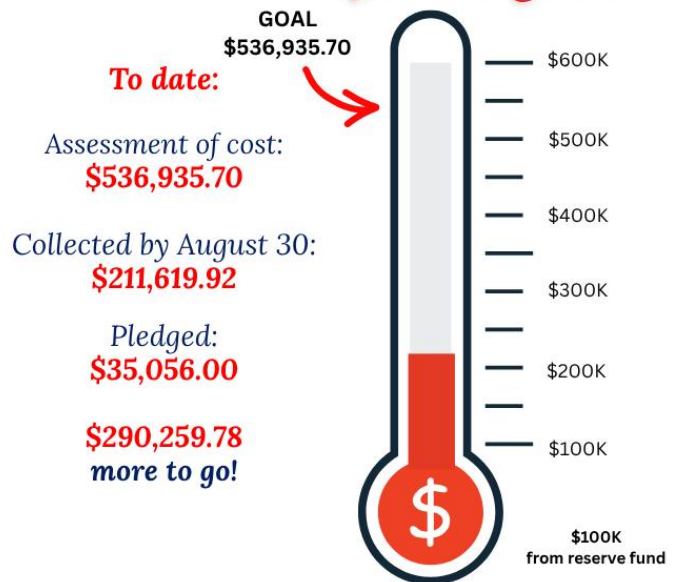
Collections

August 23, 2026	Offertory	\$ 5,143.23
August 23, 2026	Restoration Appeal	\$ 580.00

Thank you for your continued generosity.

Week of September 7 -13, 2026

Fundraising Progress



Restoration Appeal Update

Ladies and gentleman - we have some walls!!! After they were ripped out in the mold remediation it was hard to visualize a completed rectory. But now with the beginnings of interior walls again, we can dream of this crisis situation being over and getting back to normal again! We are so grateful for the donations to date, but we have a long way to go to pay for this restoration.

For those that are visiting for the first time, our rectory was found to have a high level of mold in every single room. It was an unhealthy environment for our priests to live. Remediation of the mold is complete, which has exposed the extent of damage that is dictating the need for this huge amount of over \$536,000 to complete the restoration and make it livable for our priests.

If you can invest in our restoration appeal in any way **NOW IS THE TIME!** The Lord reminds us that a gift even as small as a mustard seed is destined to grow and will make difference to accomplishing our goal.

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Parish Groups Meetings/ Events



SVDP Sunday
Sept 5/6
All Masses
Church



CWL Meeting
Mon. Sept. 14
10:00 am
Parish Hall



Confirmation Reg.
Tues. Sept. 15
7:00 pm
Parish Hall



1st Communion Reg.
Thurs. Sept. 17
6:30 pm
Parish Hall



KofC Meeting
Thurs. Sept. 24
2:00 pm
Parish Hall



Fun Dance Party
Fri. Sept. 25
7:00 pm
Parish Hall



Art Show & Tea Room
Sat. Sept. 26
11 am - 2 pm
Parish Hall