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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

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, Rosie Vandenberg

- Cathy Vanclieaf (St. Kateri)

Counters - Please contact the office

Eucharistic Ministers - Please contact the office

Lectors - Judith Gottschalk

Property Committee - Deacon Jan Sirek

#### **Parish Schools**

St Mary Elementary School Barbara Heeneman, Principal 705-789-6481

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Joshua Boutotte 705- 722- 3555 ext., 462

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Hotline: 705-789-0008

#### **Parish Office**

Mary Helen Moes, Administrative Assistant

Office Hours:

Tuesday - Thursday

9:30 am - 2:30 pm

#### 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 (Oct - May)

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.

#### Annointing 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 October 6 - 12

#### <u>Tuesday</u>, October 7

9:00 a.m. † Jack Simioni / Sandra Cochrane

#### Wednesday, October 8

12:00 p.m. † Bob & Greta Harkness/ Loring Family

#### Thursday, October 9

9:00 a.m. SI Maria Downey / Ron & Annette Downey

#### Friday, October 10

12:00 p.m. SI Adam & Janusz Szunar / Family

#### Saturday, October 11

**4:00 p.m.** † Maria Krsykalska / Medon Family

#### Sunday, October 12

9:00 a.m. + Kevin Phillips / Catholic Women's League

11:00 a.m. For the People of the Parish

#### November 2 - All Souls Day Remembrance

Please contact the office to include your deceased loved ones in the list of special mass intentions on All Souls Day. The list of names will be inserted in the parish bulletin and announced at the mass.

#### Prayers for the Sick

Especially for Sam Muzzi, Jim Poling, Jaymie Ward, Phillip Tomkin, Robert Foley, Ruth Anne Foley, John Dunbar, Doris Lane, Connie Gregory, Ian Bruce, Sharon Boivin, Timothy Pelyk, Peter Poustie, Pam & Don Mackenzie, Esther Phillips, Carole Ruttan, , Stephanie Jarvis, Mabelle Claer, Janine Wright, Jack Ataman Mike & Loretta Pearson, Doris Cristiano, Karl Richter, Dallas Clarke, Tcherina Zylstra, Remi LeGros, Brian & Diane O'Connor, Emily Warman, Terry Russell, Ed Quinn, Veronica Cotman, Kenn Jumayao, Marg Grant, Anna Maria Ertler, Mike Berardi, June Anne Crawford, Michelle Haskin, Raul Hernandez, Kate Monk, Katleen Treacy

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#### And in remembrance of the deceased

Kevin Phillips

#### FAITH IS SOMETHING THAT CAN GROW

Road contractors look forward to the spring season to undertake the repairing of bridges, water lines, or whatever else is needed to keep our systems functioning. One warning sign at construction sites alerting us that there is a "steel plate ahead." If you miss the sign, you know the reality as pass over the plate. Maybe we are blessed that we do not know how dangerous the hole is under the steel covering!

The biblical psalms have an extensive list of warning signs like "harden not your hearts." A hardened heart has the same features as the steel plate. The heart, a sign of compassion, can become rigid by our life encounters. The hardened heart at times buries our dark and broken encounters, creating a cold-hearted person!

Habakkuk, a minor biblical prophet, presents the story of the lewish community facing the approaching Babylonian army. Their fear leads to a cry for help. Their dark feeling, depression, is that God does not care. A steel plate is forming over their heart, the despair of hopelessness. The prophet announces that the just person shall live because of one's faith. Faith overcomes the darkness, the growing hardness of heart. Note the virtue of justice as the underlying quality of faith.

Christ teaches "that if we have the faith the size of a mustard seed, the smallest of seeds," we can live in and through the darkness of a steel plate moments. Faith is the preventive medicine for the Hardness of Heart.

Faith is not known by human touch but by our spirit. A faithful life lives in the dark moments believing in that the Light will overcome the darkness. Hardness of Heart holds onto the darkness.

In a way, the role of faith appears in the words of the disciples in this Sunday's Gospel. "And the apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!'" (Lk 17:5). The context of this outburst is significant. The apostles say this immediately following a passage where Jesus explains that a repentant sinner must be forgiven even if he or she "wrongs you seven times in one day" (Lk 14:4). No wonder the disciples beg for greater faith in the face of such demands. Faith in this instance is the remarkable insistence of divine mercy practiced by Jesus and his followers. May the Lord increase the faith of us all! AMEN!!

Fr Dominick

#### 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** October 11 - 12, 2025

4:00 pm 9 am 11 am Ron Downey Judith Gottschalk Lectors June McDonald

**Ushers** Ben Boivin Mike Pearson Alison Coort

**Hugh Knox** Maureen McIntyre **Bob Lacroix** Al Kudryk

Linda Lacroix

June McDonald

Mary Kudryk

Counters: Tuesday, October 7, 2025 - Laila Etherington & Jo Ann Giesler

### **Knights of Columbus Lottery Winners!**

Calendar Winners of September 2025 are:

- Peter Gos, Magnetawan, ON \$40.00
- Paul Cowden, Huntsville, ON \$500.00

Congratulations to you both!



#### AMSP St. Paul Prayer Meeting

Friday, October 10th, at 7 pm, in the Church.

All parishioners are invited to join the Associate Missionaries of St. Paul, as Fr Cyprian leads us in a Prayer Meeting (which is not a traditional meeting but meeting-in-prayer), that includes adoration, reflection and song.



Please plan to join us every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the

month to praise and worship our Lord.

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 show will take place in the St. Mary's Parish Hall on Saturday, October 18th, between 10 am and 3 pm. High Tea and Bake Sale will coincide and is offered as well

The art will remain on the wall for the month of

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

COME OUT AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT AND PERHAPS BE INSIRED!

#### **FEATURED ARTISTS**

- Marilyn Smith
- Corinne Murdy
- · Annette Downey
- Pam MacKenzie
- · Angie Galka
- Helen Hebb
- Laura Coleman
- · Stephanie Salmon
- Jarmilla Zacal
- Maria Laurie

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The engineers have been given the green light to start and we await their report!



## Parish Groups Meetings/ Events



CWL Meeting Mon., Oct 6 10:00 am Parish Hall



**SVDP Meeting** Tues., Oct 7 6:30 pm Parish Hall



**Exercise Class** Wednesdays 9:30 am Parish Hall



Choir Practice Wednesdays 6:00 pm Church



Confirmation Class Wed., Oct. 8 7:00 pm Parish Hall



**Prayer Meeting** Friday. Oct. 10 7:00 pm Church



Coffee Sunday Sun., Oct. 12 After 9 am Mass Parish Hall