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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

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 Vancleave (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

St. Dominic Catholic Secondary School

Joe Conway, Principal 705-646-8772

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Joshua Boutotte 705-722-3555 ext., 462

St. Vincent de Paul Society

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.

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 September 22 - 28

Tuesday, September 23

9:00 a.m. SI Helen Strano / Hugh Knox

Wednesday, September 24

12:00 p.m. SI Jamine Erik Moes / Retallick Family

Thursday, September 25

9:00 a.m. † Kevin Phillips / Marguerite Goodfellow

Friday, September 26

12:00 p.m. † Antonio Orrico & Vince McGovern
/ Maureen McIntyre & Salvador Azzara

Saturday, September 27

4:00 p.m. SI Anna Downey
/ Ron & Annette Downey

Sunday, September 28

9:00 a.m. † Kevin Phillips / Diane Phillips

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

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

And in remembrance of the deceased

Kevin Phillips, Fr. John Albao

Serving Two Masters

In the Gospel Jesus says, "No servant can be the slave of two masters." The two masters he was talking about were God and money. He said, "You cannot be the slave of God and of money."

The truth of this is borne out in the First Reading. There the prophet Amos is talking about people who pay lip service to God on the Sabbath, but who can't wait for the holy days to be over so that they can get back to making money by dishonest practices. There is no doubting which master they served. The prophet threatens them with divine judgement.

We disciples must decide to serve (worship) the one true God or the false god of money. We can't serve both. Those who have a double prize in view, run the risk of missing both.

This principle applies to a lot of situations besides the one Jesus is talking about (God and money). In fact, it is a problem that confronts us all on a daily basis. All of us face tough choices on a daily basis. In today's busy world, there are a lot of things clamouring for our attention - children, marriage, career, physical and emotional health, and so on.

Work and life have become something of a scramble. Work tends to claim most of our time and effort. If we take our eyes off work, we could get laid off, fall behind, or become obsolete. Still, there is the danger that we might become workaholics. If we sacrifice our whole life to work, what's the point? A question we might ask ourselves is this: Do we live to work or work to live?

These are the kind of choice that many are faced with on a daily basis - two conflicting demands or responsibilities, both good in themselves. The best we can hope to achieve is to give priority to the most important. The Gospel puts the choice in more extreme terms. It talks about loving one and hating the other. Most times the choice is not as extreme as that, even in the case of choosing between God and money. We have to be able to use money without making it our god.

In his parable, Jesus talks about a servant who made money his god and even praises him. However, he isn't holding him up as a model for us. The dishonest servant is a child of darkness. We are not to imitate him.

But Jesus says that we can learn something from him. The dishonest servant is prepared to do whatever it takes in order to achieve his end. We, who like to regard ourselves as children of light, would do well to imitate his industry and dedication.

Jesus is contrasting the industry and astuteness of the children of darkness with the laziness and inertia of the children of light. Evil people are industrious, single-minded, and prepared to make sacrifices, in order to achieve their evil ends. Good people, on the other hand, often sit around doing nothing. The poet, W. B. Yeats, put it like this: 'The best lack all conviction, while the worst are full of passionate intensity.'

For evil to triumph, all that is necessary is that good people do nothing. If only we could be as committed to the cause of God as the dishonest steward was to the cause of self-enrichment.

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 27 - 28, 2025

	4:00 pm	9 am	11 am
Lectors	Ron Downey	Helen Hebb	Bert Vanderhulst
EMC			Dean Beaudry
Ushers	Marguerite Goodfellow Walter Gry	Lou Luvison Krystyna Lenart Jerzy Lenart Maureen McIntyre	Hugh Knox Bob Lacroix Linda Lacroix

Counters: Tuesday, September 23, 2025 - Gisele Neigel & Mary Kudryk & Linda Latour

Parish Announcements

Week of September 22-28, 2025

Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF) 4th Round

The IRF is open from September 22 to October 31, 2025.

The IRF supports Indigenous-led and managed projects in one or more of these areas:

- Healing for communities and families,
- Culture and language revitalization.
- Knowledge-sharing, heritage & traditions, and community building; and
- Dialogues for promoting Indigenous spirituality and culture.

First Nations and Metis residing within the Diocese are eligible to apply. More information about IRF and projects: www.peterboroughdiocese.org/IRF

Jubilee Mass for Diocesan Lay Groups

Please join us on Saturday, October 4 in celebration of a Jubilee Mass for Diocesan Lay Groups at the Cathedral of St. Peter-In-Chains. Mass at 10:30 am followed by a talk from Teresa Hartnett (Director Family Life/Diocese of Hamilton) and a coffee/tea reception at the Knights of Columbus Hall. All Diocesan groups are cordially invited.

Restoration Appeal Building Update

"I have met with the Engineer and a few sub-contractors from Winmar. We are still waiting for the quote from the Engineer for both the Designated Substance Survey (DSS) and to give us a recommended path forward for mold abatement and associated renovations. He informed us that he has a draft completed but needs

to finalize it. Additional air samples were taken in the office, church, sacristy, hall and some areas in the rectory. We are awaiting those results. I am anticipating a meeting with a roofing contractor next week.

Once we have approval from the Diocese to proceed with the Engineer's recommendations, we should be able to obtain quotes relatively quickly." - Deacon Jan Sirek

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4th ANNUAL ST. MARY'S AUTUMN ART SHOW

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 October.

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

FEATURED ARTISTS

- Marilyn Smith
- Corinne Murdy
- Annette Downey
- Pam MacKenzie
- Angie Galka
- Helen Hebb
- Laura Coleman
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Parish Groups Meetings/ Events



Parish Council Meeting
Tues., September 23
6:00 pm
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Exercise Class
Wednesdays
9:30 am
Parish Hall



Choir Practice
Wednesdays
6:00 pm
Church



K of C Meeting
Thurs., Sept. 25
7:00 pm
Parish Hall



Fun Dance Party
Fri., Sept. 26
7:00 pm
Parish Hall