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ST MARY'S CWL - Congratulations to Tina Mullin who is the winner of the Sue Caron painting "Nature's Delight" which was the CWL Jubilee Raffle prize. Thank you, parishioners, for your generosity and support of the fundraiser. The CWL raised \$375. The funds will be used to help cover CWL Jubilee expenses. Parishioners - REMEMBER the CWL cannot do what it does, without your SUPPORT. A special thank you to all CWL members and parishioners who assisted in the 150 years parish foundation anniversary and patron saint celebrations . A BIG thank you to the Committee who planned a most meaningful celebration. The displays in the gym were most interesting and traced St. Mary's history in detail. Thank you to the groups who participated. A BIG thank you to Ed & Pat Nemec & their work crew who got the church lawns & flower beds ready for the Celebration. Bishop Miehm, the visiting priests, St. Mary's Choir, the Courtice Choir, and Father Martin all made our Celebrations so very meaningful. Now, relax everyone and savor the fellowship and memories of our 150th Jubilee. Next, get ready for the 200th Celebration.

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**21st
Sunday in
Ordinary
Time**

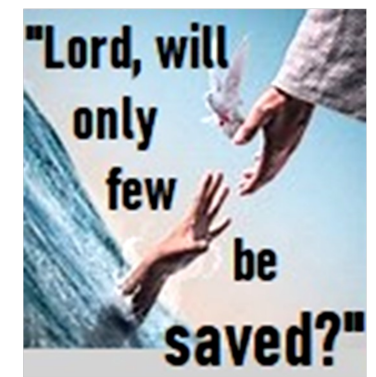
August 23-24, 2025



**WEEKEND
MASSES**

**SATURDAY
4PM**

**SUNDAY
10AM**



Parish Committees & Organizations

Parish Pastoral Council, *Michael Mullin*

(Chairperson)- 416 300 8680

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St Vincent de Paul, *Wes Krentz-905 377 3263*

Cemetery Board, *Francis Calnan 905 269 0795*

KC and Ushers, *Darrell Manley-905 744 0865*

Counters, *Wes Krentz-905 396 2578*

Development and Peace/Library, *Suzanne*

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St Mary's Choir, *Alfons Casteels-905 269 2352*

Parish Handyman, *Ed Nemec-905 349 2923*

Religious Articles, *Alta Vance-905 344 7443*

St. Mary's Elementary School, Grafton, *Nancy*

Jones (Principal)-905 349 2061

St Mary's Secondary School, Cobourg, *Jill*

Barker- Principal)-Tel. 905 372 4339

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Baptisms, Marriages, & Anointing of the Sick may be arranged by calling the Office.

Confessions: Saturday at 8:30 am & 3:30 pm, or anytime on request.

First Friday of the month - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament @ 9am.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Aug 25, Mon 9am - NO MASS

Aug 26, Tues 9am

Aug 27, Wed 9am (St. Monica)

Aug 28, Thurs 9am (St. Augustine, bishop, doctor of the church)

Aug 29, Fri 9am- (Passion of John the Baptist) + Sally Francis by Margerite Giroux

Aug 30, Sat 9am - For those who left Catholic Church by Maria Marszal

Aug 30, Sat 4pm (22nd Ordinary Sunday)- For the people of the parish

Aug 31, Sun 10am (22nd Ordinary Sunday) - + Sally Francis by the St. Mary's CWL

Aug 30-31 WEEKEND MASSES

	4pm	10 am
LECTORS:	Jackir Innis	Kathleen Ancker
EMHC:	Bruce Lawson	Judith Goulin
USHERS:	Darrell & Nick Manley	Rob Ugolini and Joe O'Kane

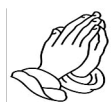


Collections Weekend of Aug 16 -17

Sunday Offering - \$ 2, 135

150 Anniversary Net Profits- \$10, 740

Building maintenance - \$100



PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Terry Korotki, Gladys Leclerc, Dalton McDonald



POPE LEO XIV - (Praying and Fasting For Peace) In recalling the liturgical commemoration of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, which is celebrated on Friday, 22 August, the Pope invited the faithful to celebrate that day by praying and fasting for peace. "Mary is the Mother of the faithful here on earth and is remembered as the Queen of Peace. I ask you to

include in your intentions the supplication for the gift of peace – a peace that is disarmed and disarming – for the whole world, especially for Ukraine and the middle East. "

(To Moral Theologians) - Pope Leo XIV urges moral theologians to follow the example of St. Alphonsus Liguori and other saints as they reflect on the challenges, changes, and conflicts of the modern world in the light of divine revelation. Known as the Doctor of Moral Theology, Saint Alphonsus "was able to find a balanced synthesis of the laws of God and the dynamics of man's conscience and freedom, at the same time assuming a charitable, understanding, and patient attitude towards his brethren, thus becoming a visible sign of God's infinite mercy".

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



A WEEK TO REMEMBER - As we conclude the celebrations of our 150th Anniversary, we give thanks to God for the many blessings poured out on our parish community.

What a beautiful witness of faith, fellowship, and love for St. Mary's this past week has been. We are grateful to announce that the total profits from the anniversary events came to \$10, 740. These funds will go a long way toward the restoration of our church

windows and will also help us sustain the parish through the winter months ahead. This milestone celebration could not have been possible without the support of so many. We thank all the parish groups who sponsored a Novena Mass: the Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul, Catholic Women's League, Vickie's Group, Couples for Christ, and Friends of Father Henry. We also thank our wonderful choir, who lifted our hearts in song throughout the week. A very special word of gratitude must be extended to our sponsors, whose generosity made the 150th celebrations possible. St. Ann Spa and RutherfordTransportation led the way as key supporters of the anniversary weekend, joined by many other generous sponsors and individual contributors. Their financial support allowed us to host events, provide hospitality, and ensure this milestone was marked in a way worthy of the rich history of St. Mary's. Truly, without their commitment, this celebration would not have been possible. We also extend heartfelt thanks to the Hollywoods and PrimRose Donkey Sanctuary, whose wonderful animals graced the Red Barn during the festivities. Their presence reminded us of the vibrant life and community that once filled this historic parish building, and gave us a glimpse of the renewal and purpose it can have again as we move forward with restoration. Finally, we offer deep gratitude to the CWL for their tireless work, warm hospitality, and dedication throughout the week's events, and to all volunteers whose time and energy helped make every part of the celebration run smoothly. Together we have not only marked 150 years of faith at St. Mary's, but also invested in its future for generations to come. May God bless all of you for your generosity and support.

THE MULLIN FAMILY - While individuals and groups who played significant roles in the recent celebration of our parish feast day and the 150 years anniversary are given due recognition, among parish members who deserve more grateful appreciations are Michael, Tina and their 3 daughters whose leadership helped bring big success to the celebration of St. Mary's momentous milestone. To run such a big event that they undertook is a task that needs real organizing skills, hard work, patience and determination. Without this family and the able backing of our devoted parishioners, we never would have accomplished our goal. On behalf of St. Mary's parish, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the Mullin family for their unwavering dedication and service to our parish community. Their ingenuity and tireless efforts have been a true blessing to our parish, and their commitment to living out the values of our Christian faith is a shining example of what it means to serve with love and humility. Their efforts do not go unnoticed, and we are deeply thankful for all that they do. May God continue to bless Michael, Tina and their kids abundantly and guide them in all their endeavors. With gratitude and blessings, Fr. Martin

CEMETERY BOARD VOLUNTEER NEEDED - We extend our sincere thanks to Francis Calnan for the dedicated service on our Cemetery Board. Francis' commitment and hard work have been greatly appreciated, and we are truly grateful for the time and care given to this important ministry of our parish. As Francis steps down, we are now looking for a volunteer to serve as Chair of the Cemetery Board. This role is vital in helping us continue to care for and preserve our parish cemetery with the respect and dignity it deserves. If you feel called to serve in this capacity, please speak with Fr. Martin.