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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 @ 8: 30am.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Mass Intention today Sept 27: + Colleen Lawson

Sept 28, Mon (NO MASS)
Sept 29, Tues 9am (Archangels Michael, Gabriel, Raphael)
Sept 30, Wed 9am (St. Jerome, priest, doctor)
Oct 1, Thurs 9am (St. Therese, virgin, doctor)
Oct 2, First Friday 8:30am Benedictions, Holy Rosary (Holy Guardian Angels)
Oct 3, Sat 9am - Souls in Purgatory by Ian Manley
Oct 3, Sat 4pm (27th Sunday) For the people of the parish
Oct 4, Sun 10am (27th Sunday) Memorial +Albert & Emerentia Casteels by Suzzane Liptay

OCTOBER 3-4, 2026 WEEKEND MASSES

	4 pm	10 am
LECTORS:	Jackie Innis	Michael Stephenson
EMHC:	Pat Rutherford	D. Goulin & S. Hollywood
USHERS:	Darrell & Nick Manley	Joe O'Kane & Rob Ugolini



Collections September 19-20

Sunday Offering - $955, Needs of Canadian Church - $25,
Donations for James Manley - $700

NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION (SEPTEMBER 30) Today we remember and honour Indigenous children and families affected by the residential school system. May this day deepen our commitment to truth, healing, respect, and reconciliation, and inspire us to build a future founded on dignity, understanding, and peace.

PRAYER FOR NEW BISHOP OF PETERBOROUGH—"Gracious and loving God, You shepherd Your Church with unfailing care. In this time of transition, we place our diocese into Your hands. We pray for the selection process and discernment for our new Bishop. Send Your Holy Spirit upon Pope Leo XIV, the Apostolic Nuncio, and all entrusted with the sacred task of selecting our next shepherd. Grant them wisdom, discernment, and hearts deeply attentive to Your will. Raise up for us a bishop after Your own heart: a servant leader who walks with humility and joy; a faithful teacher who proclaims the Gospel with boldness and clarity; a compassionate listener who unites our community in love and mercy. Help us, Your faithful people, to remain steadfast in hope, rooted in prayer, and open to the movement of Your grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen"

DATES TO REMEMBER

CWL: Oct 5, 9:30am/ Parish Council: Oct 21, 9:30/St Vincent de Paul: Oct 21, 11:30am

PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Lexter Mendez, Patrick King, Helen Dettman, Rett Willadson, Clare Chapin, Claude Boulanger, Terry Korotki

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA - The Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada today, September 26–27, is one of the important annual collections in the Canadian Catholic Church. This collection supports the pastoral work of the Bishops of Canada through the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, including evangelization, faith formation, family and life, social justice, ministry to migrants and refugees, and other national pastoral initiatives. Please give prayerfully and generously.

ROSE SUNDAY COLLECTION- "The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parishioners of St Mary's for your generous support of our Rose Sunday appeal. Donations from both Masses totaled $377.35. The Knights will put this to good use for local pro-life causes. Thank you again, and God Bless, *Darrell Manley*

ST. MARY'S BINGO – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - St. Mary's Bingo is looking for volunteers to help with bingo activities. The Parish Gaming Fund generated through bingo has been a tremendous help in contributing to our parish's physical projects. If you are able to volunteer and would like to help, please contact Jackie Innis at 905-349-2880.

BEATIFICATION OF VENERABLE FULTON SHEEN (Sept 24, 2026) - Today, September 24, 2026, the Church celebrates the Beatification of Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen (1895–1979) in St. Louis. A gifted priest, bishop, theologian and evangelist, Archbishop Sheen became widely known for bringing the Catholic faith to millions through radio, television, preaching and his many books. He was especially admired for his ability to communicate the truths of the Gospel with clarity, wisdom and warmth. His beatification is significant because it recognizes his witness of Christian virtue and his dedication to evangelization. He showed that modern means of communication can be used effectively to bring Christ and the Gospel to people wherever they are. Archbishop Sheen reminds us that the Gospel should not remain inside the church walls. We are called to share our faith with courage, wisdom and charity, using whatever opportunities and means God places at our disposal.



CWL NEWS - The next CWL Meeting is Oct. 05 @ 9:30 am at the rectory. All members are invited to attend. Sept. 30 is Canada's "National Day of Truth & Reconciliation". It is known as "Orange Shirt Day". The CWL has placed orange t-shirts in the foyer and orange ribbons at the front of the church to mark this special occasion which honors the children who survived Residential schools. Thanks Cecilia Geens, for the beautiful mums that are in the urns at the front doors of the church. They provide a nice welcome for parishioners. St. Mary's CWL executive members attended the Diocese Fall Meeting which was held at the Knights of Columbus Centre in Port Hope.