

Saint Blaise Day is Monday February 3, but the blessing of the throat will be at the end of Mass **on Sunday February 2**nd. Saint Blaise is the Patron of Throat Illnesses and much of this has to do with a legend that a boy was brought to Saint Blaise who had a fishbone caught in his throat. The boy was going to die; however, Blaise was able to heal him. An invocation to St. Blaise and a blessing of the throat remains in practice today. The blessing is done by using two candles, held open slightly and then pressed against the throat.

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Finance and Property: Terry O'Reilly	613-652-1099	RCIA: Bridget Van Der Zweep	613-652-4057
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Parish Screening: Jackie McMillan	613-543-4495	Catholic School: Erin Merkley	613-543-2907
Prayer Network: Office	613-543-2544	Altar Servers: Office	613-543-2544

Liturgy and Sacraments:

Baptism & Instruction in the Catholic Faith: The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays as needed. Parent preparation is required.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Those wishing to join the Catholic Church please call the office (613-543-2544). Classes starting soon!

Marriage: 9–12 months notice is needed for the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Each couple is required to participate in a Marriage Preparation course.

Reconciliation: Confessions heard by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick: The Sacrament of Anointing is given on request, especially before going to the hospital, or at the hospital or at home.

Sick List: Please call the office if anyone needs prayers, a visit or is seriously ill. If you are unable to attend Mass for an extended period of time, please contact St. Mary's. Arrangements can be made for reception of the Holy Eucharist in the home.

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Presentation of the Lord ~ 2 February 2025

Sun.	02 Feb	9:00 am	(Morrisburg) Deceased Mbrs of Zambon and Smit (Zambon Family)
Tue. Wed.			(Morrisburg) Leo de Vette (Johanna & Cor de Groot) (Morrisburg) Henry, Andy & Richard (Henry Newton) School Mass
Sun.	09 Feb	9:00 am	(Morrisburg) Robert & Ida Gale (Fred & Sandy Diegel)
Tue. Wed.	11 Feb 12 Feb		(Morrisburg) Int of Fr. Thomas (Linda Fleury) (Morrisburg) Linda Waldrif (CWL)

Birthright and the Knights wish to express their thanks for the wonderful collection of items for Birthright last weekend.

The Presentation of the Lord

Collection: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$1,410.00 (2024: \$1,300.00)

Repairs & Maint: \$220; Initial Envelopes: \$20; Catholic Mission in Canada: \$25.00

Meetings:

KNIGHTS - Mon 10 February, 7:00 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room

CWL - **Mon 17 February,** 7:00 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room

Parish Activities:

Choirs: St. Cecilia's: Margaret (652-4741)

AA Meeting: Wed., 8:00 pm, George (543-3504)



Pray for those who are sick in our families and parish especially: Mary Rutters, Alice McNarin, Fernando Paulino, Lynn Louckes, Terry McManus, George Locke, Noella Kirkwood, and Louise Altimas.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Ivan Car, Darlene Mather, Fr. Dan Ryan, Todd Casselman, Helen Lortie, Paul Goupil, John Croteau, and Mark Goupil.

Free Will Offering for Missals and Word Among Us if you are able, please consider helping with the cost of these items, the box is located at the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

Food Bank Collection Please bring can goods, kraft dinner, pasta sauce, baby/junior food, shampoo, toilet paper, juice, peanut butter or any non-perishable food. Empty baby jars, and milk bags are needed. A cash donation can be made, please make the cheque to Community Food Share and put in the collection basket marked Food Bank.

Volunteers Needed: The Parish Pastoral Council met and are looking for some volunteers to be members. If you are interested in helping plan activities and events for all parishioners, please call the office or speak with Fr. Oliver.

Coffee Social Volunteers: Fr. Oliver would like to start having a coffee social after Mass on the second Sunday of each month, if you would be willing to help out, please see Fr. Oliver or call the Office.

February 2, 2025

Catholic Missions in Canada Collection: February 2, is a fundraising organization that supports poor missions in Canada. The movement was organized as an independent society, bearing the name of The Catholic Church Extension Society of Canada, by a group including Fergus Patrick McEvay, Archbishop of Toronto.



Pancake Breakfast by St. Mary St. Cecilia Catholic School, Sunday **February 23**rd, from 9 am to 1 pm. At the Morrisburg Legion. Cost is \$8 for adults (3 pancakes); \$5 for kids (3 yr and up for 2 pancakes); kids under 3 free; \$25 for families 5 or more. Cash

only at the door. Breakfast includes beverage, pancakes and sausages. There will be 50/50 and silent auction. Proceeds go toward field trips and student activities.

Open House for new JK and new SK students for September 2025 and their parents on Wednesday, **February 5th from 4:30 to 6:00 pm**. Please drop in to visit the school, meet staff, visit the classrooms and pick up the registration documents or complete the online pre-registration by visiting https://www.cdsbeo.on.ca/students-parents/registration. Please call (613-543-2907) St. Mary-St. Cecilia Catholic School. We look forward to welcoming you and your child! See bulletin board for further information.



Knights Membership Drive: Knights of Columbus members: Please note we are now collecting 2025 membership dues \$40, can be submitted at mass in envelope marked Knights of Columbus please include your name and address. Contact Brent Mather with any questions. mbmather79@hotmail.com or 613-543-2118.

50/50 Raffle: The Knights of Columbus presents it's Ontario Charities Raffle (License # RAF1441633) in support of Birthright, St. Vincent de Paul, Special Olympics and others, including the Morrisburg-Iroquois Knights and their local projects. Open only to Ontario residents 18 or over, with \$500 early bird draw on February 14th and 50/50 Grand Prize on April 27th. Tickets are 10 for \$10, 40 for \$20, 125 for \$50 and 300 for \$100, online at https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/k-of-c-ont/295 or contact Grand Knight Graham Darling 613-214-1968. ***ON FEB 9 ONLY: LIVE TICKETS SALES AFTER MASS*** - - Just in time for the early bird draw Febr 14!