



PRAYER FOR LENT

Lord God, throughout this solemn season of Lent, we ask for Your guidance to walk this path of spiritual discipline. Grant us the strength to commit to fasting, prayer, and almsgiving, drawing us nearer to Your holy presence. Open our hearts to the quiet whispers of Your voice, leading us to deeper conversion.

During these forty days, let us reflect on the life and sacrifices of Your Son, Jesus Christ. May we grow in love and service, reaching out to those in need with compassion and mercy.

Help us to cherish this time of introspection and to emerge from it renewed in spirit and commitment to Your calling. May we honor You in our thoughts, words, and deeds, and be ever mindful of the grace that sustains us through our journey. Amen.

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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.

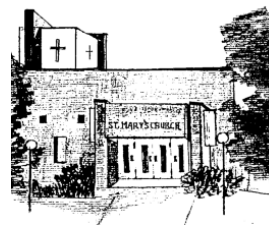
Reconciliation: Confessions heard by appointment.

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.

ST. MARY'S - ST. CECILIA'S PARISH



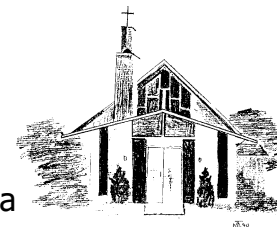
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Mrs. Nancy Richer, Parish Secretary

1st Sunday of Lent ~ 9 March 2025

Sun. 09 Mar 9:00 am (Morrisburg) Dr. CT & Claire McGahey (Catherine Dwyre)

Tue. 11 Mar 9:00 am (Morrisburg) Int of Lee Cooper (Evelyn McNeil)

Wed. 12 Mar 9:00 am (Morrisburg) Clarence Dubreuil (Richer Family)
Stations of the Cross will start at 9 am led by the Knights; Mass will start at 9:40 am

Sun. 16 Mar 9:00 am (Morrisburg) Wedding Anniversary of Val & Ray Gremli

Tue. 18 Mar 9:00 am (Morrisburg) Boulerice Sisters (Fred & Sandy Diegel)

Wed. 19 Mar 9:00 am (Morrisburg) Linda Waldrif (Catherine Dwyre)
Stations of the Cross will start at 9 am led by the CWL; Mass will start at 9:40 am

1st Sunday of Lent

Collection: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$2,925.00 (2024: \$1,732.00)
Archdiocesan Lenten Collection: \$255.00

Meetings:

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

CWL – Mon 17 March, 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)

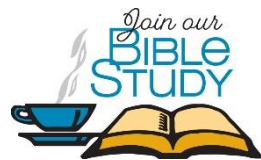


Pray for those who are sick in our families and parish especially: Murray Richer, Alice McNarin, Fernando Paulino, Lynn Louckes, George Locke, Noella Kirkwood, and Louise Altimas.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Diny Van Moorsel, Terry McManus, Mary Rutters, Ivan Car, Darlene Mather, and Father Dan Ryan.

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.

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.



Bible Study: The first evening will be on
Monday March 10th at 6:00 pm
In the Rectory meeting room

First Communion Students: Please keep our students in your prayers as they continue their preparation for First Communion. If you have a child that doesn't attend St. Mary St. Cecilia Catholic School and they wish to receive these sacraments please contact the office as soon as possible.

March 9, 2025

Coffee Social Volunteers: Fr. Oliver has started having a coffee social after Mass on the second Sunday of each month, if you would be willing to help out there is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church. **Next Coffee Social March 9th.**

Used Stamps are used to help the Redemptorists Missions fund their work. Catherine Dwyre will be sending a package soon, if you wish to bring in your stamps.

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, 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.



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.

Easter Flowers Envelopes are available at the back of the Church for your donation to purchase flowers to decorate the sanctuary for Easter. Included with the envelope will be a card for you to write your intentions. These intentions will be displayed near the altar and prayed for during the Easter Season.

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. A cash donation can be made, please make the cheque to Community Food Share and put in the collection basket marked Food Bank. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

Do you need help getting to Mass? If you are in need of a ride to Mass during the weekend please contact Knights of Columbus member Peter Patenaude (613-641-2015). If you have space and can offer someone a ride please contact Peter.