

**Father Oliver's Weekend Reflection:**

**12th Sunday Matthew 10.33**

"Whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven." This verse reminds us that discipleship involves a choice. Therefore, faith is not merely something we believe in our hearts; it is something we are called to profess with our lives.

When Jesus speaks about denying Him, He is not referring simply to a moment of weakness or failure. Jesus is speaking about a deliberate and persistent rejection of Him—a refusal to belong to Him and to live according to His Gospel. Every day we are faced with opportunities either to acknowledge Christ or to deny Him. We acknowledge Him when we stand for truth, when we defend the dignity of others, when we forgive, when we pray, and when we live according to our Christian values. We deny Him whenever we choose selfishness, dishonesty, hatred, or indifference to those in need. The question before us today is simple: Does my life reveal that I belong to Christ? If someone looked at my choices, my priorities, and the way I treat others, would they recognize the presence of Jesus?

Today, let us ask for the courage to acknowledge Christ not only with our lips but with our whole lives. Let's live as faithful disciples, confident in the Lord's grace and strengthened by His love.

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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!

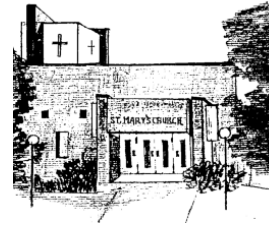
**Marriage:** 9–12-month notice is needed for the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Each couple is required to participate in a Marriage Preparation course.

**Reconciliation:** Confessions heard half hour before Mass or by appointment.

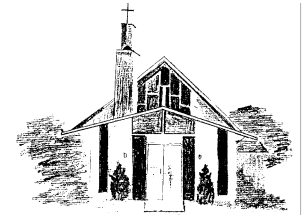
**Anointing of the Sick:** The Sacrament of Anointing is given on request, especially before going to the hospital, or at the hospital or at home.

**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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**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ June 21, 2026**

- Sun. 21 June 9:00 am Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the people)
- Tue. 23 June **6:00 pm** Grade Eight Graduation
- Wed. 24 June 9:00 am Intention of the CWL in Ontario (OPC)
- Sun. 28 June 9:00 am Christina & Dave Coughlan (Woodmass Family)
- Tue. 30 June 9:00 am Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the people)
- Wed. 01 July 9:00 am Peter & Regina Fridgen & Family (Estate of B Fridgen)
- Fri. 03 July 4:00 pm Past & Present Mbrs of the Knights of Columbus  
3:00 – 4:00 pm Exposition & Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

**Etransfers Available:** We have set up the ability to send etransfers to the Church, please use [StMary.Morrisburg@archkingston.ca](mailto:StMary.Morrisburg@archkingston.ca) in the remarks area please give your name and what you wish the money to be used for eg. Roof, Regular Collection etc.

## 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Collection:** 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$1,615.00 (2025: \$1,605.00)  
Roof Repair: \$25; Repairs & Maintenance: \$300; Education of Priests: \$210

**Roof Collected to date: \$24,120.00;** (Total cost \$120,000)

### Meetings:

**Bible/Faith Study:** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 6 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room

**Rosary Group:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday after 9 am Mass

**Sacramental Preparation:** Meetings will be held after the 9 am Mass

### Parish Activities:

**Choirs: St. Mary's:** Jim Boissonneault (543-3435) new members are welcome!

**AA Meeting:** Wednesday, 8:00 pm,

**Coffee Social:** **11 July** Marg Zambon (613-652-4741)



**Pray for those who are sick in our families and parish** especially:  
Fr. Sebastian Amato, Lola Kennedy, Tony Byvelds, Bridget Van Der Zweep, John Ricci, Alice McNairn, and Noella Kirkwood.

**Pray for the repose of the soul of** Florence McManus, Bill McSheffrey, Robert Miller, Julie Watters (nee Durivage), Margaret Lortie; Jim Kelly, Juliet Gremli, Catherine Lortie, Tina Serviss, and Beat Schraner.

**Kingston 200 Years of Faith:** Celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Archdiocese of Kingston with this inspiring article from *The Catholic Register*.

<https://www.catholicregister.org/item/3721-historic-kingston-endures-200-years>

Discover how our faith community continues to grow and "endure" with hope.

**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.

## June 21, 2026

**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.



Seminary  
Education

### Education of Seminarians and Priests Collection June 21,

The Ecclesiastical Education Fund for Priests and Seminarians is a combination of a seminary fund and the fund for continuing education priests. The sources of money for this fund are: the annual collection for the education of priests/seminarians, bination stipends and donations.

**Knights of Columbus Council 11725 Annual BBQ Fundraiser:** Will take place on Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, pickup at St. Mary's Morrisburg after the 5 pm Mass and open house. Tickets are \$25 need to be purchased by June 28 and include 1/2 chicken, 2 sides and a dinner roll. E-transfer to [Knights11725@gmail.com](mailto:Knights11725@gmail.com) or cash to Graham at 613-214-1968.

**Charity Raffle:** The Knights of Columbus presents its Ontario Charities Raffle (License #RAF1526797) in support of the Birthright, St. Vincent de Paul, Special Olympics and local projects. Open only to Ontario residents 18 or over; \*\$500 early bird draw June 22\*; 50:50 grand prize Aug 31. Tickets are 10 for \$10, 40 for \$20, 125 for \$50 and 300 for \$100, contact Grand Knight Graham Darling 613-214-1968 or online at <https://www.rafflebox.ca/raffle/k-of-c-ont/295>.

