

Father Oliver’s Weekend Reflection:

28th Sunday, Philippians 4.12-14

Can I still give thanks when I have less than I desire? Do I seek God when life is peaceful and prosperous, or only when I am troubled, discouraged, or overwhelmed? These are questions that gently invite us to investigate our hearts. St. Paul writes, "I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well-fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being."

Paul knew what it was like to have more than enough, and he knew what it meant to face great need. He experienced seasons of comfort and seasons of hardship, moments of joy and times of suffering. Yet through every changing circumstance, he discovered that God's grace was sufficient. Whether surrounded by abundance or struggling through scarcity, Paul remained anchored in the Lord. This is a tremendous challenge for us since we frequently base our happiness on what is occurring around us. When things go well, we feel grateful; when they don't, we wonder if God ignored us. Paul reminds us that God remains faithful in both success and sorrow. The Christian life does not guarantee that we will always get what we desire. Rather, it is the knowledge that we are unlikely to confront challenges alone. Whether we have plenty or limited resources, God gives us the grace to continue.

St. Paul reminds us that the greatest security in life does not come from material belongings, money, health, prestige, or achievement. It comes from knowing that God is with us and has our lives in his hands.

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!

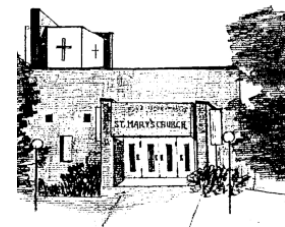
Marriage: 9–12-month notice is needed for the celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Each couple is required to participate in a Marriage Preparation course.

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.

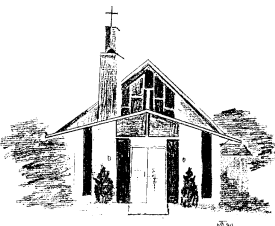
Sick List: Please call the office if anyone needs prayers, a visit or is seriously ill. If you are unable to attend Mass for an extended period of time, please contact St. Mary’s. Arrangements can be made for reception of the Holy Eucharist in the home.

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ October 11, 2026

Marian Mass				
Sat.	10 Oct	8:30 am	Joseph & Agnes Boulerice (Fred & Sandy Diegel)	
		8:30 – 9:00 am	Rosary ~ Mass at 9:00 am	

Sun. 11 Oct 9:00 am Len Bisson (Pat Bisson)

Sun. 18 Oct 9:00 am Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the people)

No weekday Masses October 12 till November 20
as Father Oliver is on holidays

Parish Retreat November 23 – 25, 2026

Mission Theme: Advent * Jubilee * Hope * Mercy * Joy!

Monday & Tuesday Mass at 6 pm followed by retreat

Wednesday Mass at 4 pm followed by parish potluck

Retreat Leader Father Charles Enyinnia

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Etransfers Available: We have set up the ability to send etransfer to the Church, please use 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.

Collection: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: \$2,195.00 (2025: \$2,172.00)
Roof Repair: \$65.00; Needs of the Cdn Church: \$120; World Mission: \$200

Community Yard Sale: Grand total profit is \$2,994.75!

Roof Collected to date: \$31,260.75; (Total cost \$120,000) 26% of our goal!

Meetings:

KNIGHTS – 2nd Mondays, 7 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room

Parish Council – First Tuesdays, 6 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room

Bible/Faith Study: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays 6 pm in St. Mary's Meeting Room

Rosary Group: 1st and 3rd Tuesday after the 9:00 am Mass

First Communion Classes: 3rd Tuesday starting Oct 20 at 6 pm St. Mary's Mtg Rm

Parish Activities:

Choirs: St. Mary's:

AA Meeting: Wednesday, 8:00 pm,

Coffee Social: 2nd Sunday of the Month Marg Zambon (613-652-4741)



Pray for those who are sick in our families and parish especially:
Grace Paulino, Ann Ramsey, Fr. Sebastian Amato, Tony Byvelds, John Ricci, Alice McNairn, and Noella Kirkwood.

Pray for the repose of the soul of Nancy Pomerleau, Nolda Byvelds, Erna Jakel, Florence McManus, Bill McSheffrey, Robert Miller, Julie Watters (nee Durivage), Margaret Lortie; Jim Kelly, and Juliet Gremli.

17th Annual Women's Fall Retreat: Sat., Oct. 24, 2026, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, at St. Michael's Catholic High School in Kemptville. Registration (\$50) limited to 100 participants: romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/womens-fall-retreat.

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Rosary before Sunday Mass

Twenty minutes before the 9:00 am Mass during the month of October as part of the Marian Devotion. Organized by the CWL and Knights.
October 4 & 18 (Knights) October 11 & 25 (CWL)

Community Yard Sale was a great Success

Thank you to the fundraising team for organizing this event. Profit of \$2,994.75!

If you have ideas for fundraising please reach out to the committee by email
stmarysfundraisingcommittee@gmail.com.

Charity Raffle: The Knights of Columbus presents its Ontario Charities Raffle (License # RAF1526797) 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; \$500 earlybird draw October 13; 50/50 grand prize draw on December 30. Tickets are 10 for \$10, 40 for \$20, 125 for \$50 and 300 for \$100, online at <https://rafflebox.ca/raffle/k-of-c-ont/295/> or contact Grand Knight Graham Darling 613-214-1968. **Sun Oct 18 only: live sales at St. Mary's Church**



World Mission Sunday: October 18: A day set aside for the Catholic Church throughout the world to publicly renew its commitment to the missionary movement, coordinated by the Pontifical Mission Societies, who are also known as Mission.

First Communion Students: Please keep our students in your prayers as they start 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. First class will be Tuesday October 20th at 6:00 pm in the Rectory meeting room.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving!