Purgatory - Month of All Souls



During this month the Church prays for the poor departed faithful souls of Purgatory. The Remembrance Book will be available for all those who wish to place the names of their departed loved-ones, and they will be prayed for during Mass.

The Souls of Purgatory are called the poor faithful departed. **Poor**, because they depend upon our prayers and suffrages for their purification. **Faithful**, because they died believing in Jesus. **Departed**, because their eternal Souls have left their bodies. It is important that we as part of the Communion of Saints help in their purification.

All Saints Day Sunday, 01 November. This is the day that the Church celebrates all those people who have died and gone through their purification (either in this world or in Purgatory) and are in the Presence of the Lord.

All Souls Day Monday, 02 November. Souls in Purgatory are called "Poor and Suffering"... There is hope for them because Purgatory, unlike Hell, is not permanent and eventually all those in Purgatory will end up in Heaven.

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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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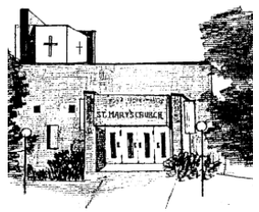

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All Saints ~ November 1, 2026

Sun.	01 Nov	9:00 am	Henry Westenbroek (Bongers Family)
Fri.	06 Nov	3:00 pm	Brian Dwyre (Catherine Dwyre) **First Friday Mass**
Sun.	08 Nov	9:00 am	Pavel, Maria & Sasha Shiray (Mike & Mila Miller)
Sun.	15 Nov	9:00 am	Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the people)

No weekday Masses until 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

All Saints Day

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: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time: $1,420.00 (2025: $1,663.00)
Roof Repair: $5.00;

Roof Collected to date: **$31,345.75;** (Total cost $120,000) 26% of our goal!

Meetings:
KNIGHTS – **2nd Mondays,** 7 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room *All Council*
Parish Council – First Tuesdays, 6 pm St. Mary's Meeting Room
Bible/Faith Study: **No bible study till Father back next one Dec 8th**
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
Pray for our students as they continue preparation for First communion.

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, 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, and Bill McSheffrey.

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

First Communion Students: If you have a child and you wish to receive these sacraments please contact the office as soon as possible.

November 1, 2026

All Souls Day Remembrance: We will remember and pray for all our dear deceased ones from the parish and our families on all souls day and throughout November. A Mass will be offered for them and a candle lit by a family member for those passed away in the current year. This year it will be on Sunday November 1, at 9 am. The names of the deceased are taken from the parish register. We have no access to the record of the people who had no Catholic funeral/burial even if they are a long-time parishioner. Friends, when you prepare your wills, please make sure that you will get a Catholic funeral/burial or a least a grave side prayer and blessing of the grave. If a cemetery undertaker or care taker is doing the burial, it will not be in the parish record.

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; 50/50 grand prize draw on December 30. Tickets are 10 for $10, 40 for $20, 125 for $50 and 300 for $100, contact Knight Graham Darling 613-214-1968 or online at https://rafflebox.ca/raffle/k-of-c-ont/295/



Priests' Benefit Fund November 8 the annual collection for retired and disabled priests will be taken at each Mass. Please be generous. Last's year's collection received approximately $200,000, and we are grateful, but the expenses of the Fund continue to rise. Thank you for caring for those who always cared for us.

Knights Bottle Drive Sat Nov 14 from 11 am to 1 pm in St. Mary's Church rear parking lot, bring your alcohol beverage containers to help local youth with intellectual disabilities find success, joy and friendship through sports. Contact Knight Graham Darling 613-214-1968 for info or to help out.



Cemetery Collection: November 15 will be the annual collection for St. Mary's and St. Anne's Cemeteries. We are very grateful to parishioners for their donations as this helps our Catholic Cemeteries with the upkeep. Please mark on the envelope which Cemetery you wish your donation to help. Those that aren't marked will be divided equally between St. Mary's Cemetery and St. Anne's Cemetery.