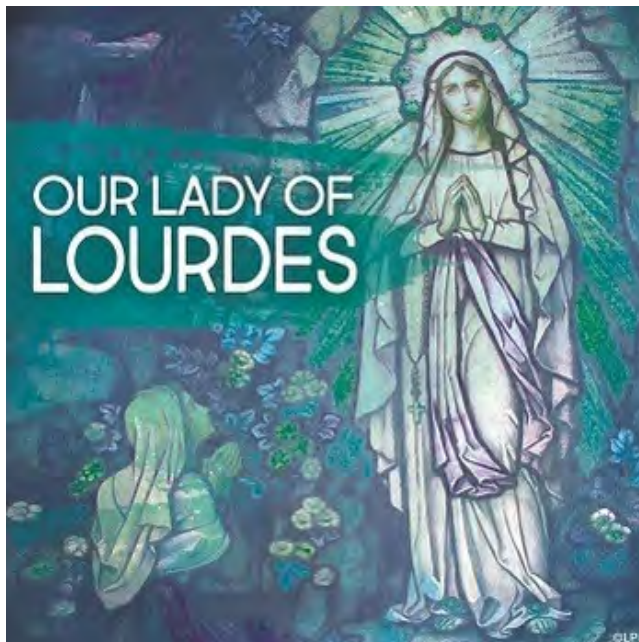


# St. Mary's & Our Lady of Lourdes

Serving the Roman Catholic Communities of Fort Frances and Couchiching First Nation



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## Pastoral Team

Reverend Gino Mathias, Pastor

## Parish Staff

Mrs. Tina Roth, Administrative Secretary  
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Mr. Gerald Cousineau, Custodian

## Join Us!

To become a parishioner, please complete a Parish Registration form at the entrance of the church.

## Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 9:00am@OLOL, 11:00am  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday@9:20am  
Friday @ 10:00am  
Thursday 10:00am@St. Mary's

## Confessions

Tuesday - Saturday 9:00am  
Saturday 3:00 - 4:30pm  
8:30 - 8:50am OLOL or  
by appointment

## Eucharist Adoration

Friday 9:20 - 10:00am

## Visit with Father Gino

at the Church/Office  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday  
9:00 - 11:00am, 2:00 - 5:00pm

(Events celebrated at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish are denoted by OLOL)

## Baptisms

Please call 3 months in advance  
Baptism Preparation Class every 2nd  
Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

## Children's Liturgy

During Sunday Masses  
September thru May

## Rosary

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday  
@ 9:00am  
Sunday 8:30am OLOL

## Anointing of the Sick

Please call to request a visit, or in an  
emergency ask hospital staff for  
"Roman Catholic Priest on call"

## Marriage

Please call 6 months in advance

## Becoming Catholic (RCIA)

Process begins in September,  
please call at any time

\*\*\*\*\*OUR MISSION\*\*\*\*\*

Our mission is to glorify God by fostering a belonging church where all are loved and let into an authentic, life-changing relationship with Jesus Christ.



**MASSES FOR THE NEXT WEEK**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>**

**9:20am + Eileen Klymko – All the Family**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>**

**9:20am + Ed Bruneau – Bruce & Evelyn Rawn**

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> @ St. Mary's**

**10:00am + Eileen Klymko – Margrit Schaum**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup>**

**10:00am + Beloved Deceased – The Bereavement Group**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup>**

**9:20am + George Mylenchuk – Marg Rousseau**

**5:00pm + Mary Kolynchuk – The Family and + DeDe Egan – Micaela, Doug & Tyler Jensen**

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> (9am @ Our Lady of Lourdes)**

**9:00am + Eileen Klymko – Jan & Lori**

**11:00am + Kevin & + Robert Hanzuk - Michael**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st reading: (Isaiah 6.1-2a, 3-8)

2nd reading: (1 Corinthians 15.1-11)

Gospel: (Luke 5.1-11)

**What's going on?!**

**Feb. 9 – Coffee & refreshments in Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes Feast after 9am mass at OLOL**

Feb. 9 – Youth Group – Cookies – after 11am mass

Feb. 10 – CWL Movie Night – 6:30pm

Feb. 11 – Feast Mass for Our Lady of Lourdes – 9:20am

Feb. 11 – Bereavement Group Meeting – 1:00pm

Feb. 11 – World Day of the Sick – Rosary & Gathering – 2:00pm

Feb. 14 – Youth Group @ St. Mary School – 4-7pm

**Ministry Schedule**

Feb. 8 – Anna/Kim (Lectors), Lynn (EMHC)

Feb. 9 – Dale/Anne Z. (Lectors), Greg (EMHC)

Feb. 15–Gemma/Gilles(Lectors), Monique(EMHC)

Feb. 16 – Miranda/Michael(Lectors), Gail (EMHC)



**CWL Movie & Popcorn Night, Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm. We will**

**watch the movie “The Lady in the Van”. All ladies of the parish are welcome to get together for fellowship and goodies! Hope to see you there!**

**From the Pastor's Desk**

**“Mary, the Mother of Healing and Hope”**

Dear Friends in Christ, Happy Feast!!

On February 11 we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, a powerful reminder of Mary's love, intercession, and the healing power of God. On February 11, 1858, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to a humble peasant girl, St. Bernadette Soubirous, in the small town of Lourdes, France.

One of the most well-known aspects of Lourdes is its miraculous spring. Mary instructed St. Bernadette to dig in the ground, and a spring of water emerged—water that has since been associated with physical and spiritual healings. Thousands of pilgrims travel to Lourdes every year, seeking the Lord's healing through Mary's intercession.

Mary's presence at Lourdes is a sign that she is always near, especially in our struggles. Like a good mother, she calls us to trust in God, to pray, and to embrace the healing power of His grace. May Our Lady of Lourdes lead us ever closer to Jesus, the source of all healing, hope, and salvation. Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us! Amen

In love and truth,  
Fr. Gino Mathias



**In Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day on February 11<sup>th</sup> we will have Coffee and refreshments on Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Lourdes after the 9am mass. We will have a special Feast Day mass on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Mary's at 9:20am.**

**World Day of the Sick is dedicated to praying for the sick and appreciating those who care for them. Please join us in the Rosary Prayer service at 2pm. Refreshments will follow the service.**

Are you grieving the loss of someone special in your life?

## BEREAVEMENT GROUP

St. Mary's Bereavement group is here for you! Meetings are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm in St. Mary's meeting room. For more info, please contact our Parish Office @ 807-274-5233 or Margrit Schaum @ 807-274-6149 or Ria McPherson @ 807-274-6979 or Grace Huntley @ 807-274-9692.



In honour of the Year of Hope 2025 Jubilee, we are starting a Good Samaritan fund as an example of being "Pilgrim's of Hope". You are welcome to contribute to

this fund to help those in need in our parish and community.

### CWL Memberships

Thank you to all those who renewed or took out new CWL memberships for 2025 during the membership drive. For those still wishing to do so, forms with envelopes are available at the entrance of the church. The fee is \$35. It can be paid by cash, cheque payable to the CWL or by EFT to [diane58@tbaytel.net](mailto:diane58@tbaytel.net).



### THIS WEEK ON FORMED:

This is the story of Saint Benedict and Saint Scholastica; The Bible

(Part 2) Join Dr. Mark Giszczak as he answers some of the Internet's most popular questions about the Bible; Catholic Community - this is the amazing true story of the life of the famous stigmatic monk, St. Padre Pio, a contemporary saint who died in 1968. Learn this and more on Formed.org! Please check it out. Our parish has a subscription to Formed. You have free access to this great faith platform. Click the link to take a look at what's on this week: <http://watch.formed.org/this-week-on-formed>

We need mature altar servers for the weekend masses. Please contact the Parish Office or speak

with Father Gino if you are interested.



We are making plans for First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation. If your child does not attend St. Mary School but would like to receive one of these Sacraments, please contact the Parish Office.

### Novenas @ St. Mary's Church

**Novena to St. Antony of Padua**  
Only on *First Tuesdays of Every Month*

9:00 am Rosary

9:20 am Novena

Followed by the Holy Mass



**Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help - Only on *First Fridays of Every Month***

9:00 am Rosary

9:20 am Novena

Followed by the Holy Mass



**Novena to Sacred Heart of Jesus**  
*Every Wednesday*

9:00 am Rosary

9:20 am Novena

Followed by the Holy Mass



### **Please pray for.....**



#### **ST. MARY'S**

Shirley Fraser, Noella Hamilton, David Whalen, Frank Strain, Ewan MacKintosh, Kathleen DeGagné, Greg Gustafson, Linda Blanc, Dave Egan, Lillian Bodnar, Sue Sivonen, Anna Busch, Lorraine Smith, Loretta Foran, Theresa Olson, Yves Aucoin, Ronald Haukaas, Anita Artyszuk, Betty Mueller, Joyce Gosselin, Isabella Keuler, Arlene Kolynchuk, Maria Langenfurth, Beatrice Lambert, Tate Foley

#### **OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Curtis Jourdain, Mary Lou Parks, Dale Krueger, Roger Fillion, Brian McPherson, Laverne (Gabby) Caul

#### Offertory Collection for Weekend of

Feb. 2, 2025: St. Mary's - \$1725.30

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