



CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2023

Dear Friends in Christ,

An Advent season of just three weeks has not given us very much time to heed the call of St. John the Baptist to “prepare the way of the Lord.” This shortened runway has probably meant that we have been busier than ever in the lead-up to Christmas, maybe even more frazzled than usual, and not as ready spiritually as we would like to be. The Christmas rush seems to get ever more rushed, and we do our best to manage it all.

What a consolation then, to remember that Christmas is not so much about what we do, but about what God has done for us. Cardinal John Henry Newman (canonized in 2019) once wrote in a sermon that the special charm of Christmas is that Christ comes to us as our guest. And in that coming, Newman notes “He brightens everything. He does not take away, he adds. He makes the world our home, for he deigns to be the light of it.”

In this busy season, with all that is pressing in on us, may our hearts be attuned to Christ who comes to us as the Son of God, the Word made flesh, the Savior of the World. Let us open our hearts in welcome because, ready or not, here He comes!

May His coming fill our families, churches and communities with light and joy this holy season.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Daniel Miehm

Unto us a Child is Born



Unto us a Son is Given

*"Sadness should have no place on the birthday of life. The fear of death has been swallowed up; life brings us joy with the promise of eternal happiness."
- St. Leo the Great*

Dear Parishioners,

Wishing you a joyous and holy Christmas season! As we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ's birth, may the recollection of this momentous event bring peace and hope to your hearts. Two millennia ago, the Holy Family sought shelter in a humble stable, finding solace only among the animals in the cold and dark. May we, this year and every year to come, open our homes and hearts to welcome them.

Christ's arrival on Earth conveyed a profound message of love, hope, joy, and peace. His command to love God above all things and our neighbours as ourselves remains timeless. Let us turn away from sin, prioritise God in our lives, and embrace reconciliation with one another in the love of Christ.

Heartfelt gratitude goes out to each one of you for supporting our parish. A special acknowledgement to the dedicated volunteers whose hard work sustains our community. To our staff, committed members of various ministries, and those working behind the scenes, we are truly grateful. Your contributions are remembered in the Masses, daily prayers, and sacrifices we offer to God. May His mercy and grace bless you abundantly.

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light" (Isaiah 9:1). Christ, the guiding light, illuminates our path, helping us discern good from evil. Always turn to Him with faith, hope, and charity, guiding friends and family toward Him. In Him, we find hope and salvation.

May God bless you and your families with Peace, Joy, and Love this Christmas.

Fr. Dominic Clavis

*"Open wide your door to the one who comes. Open your soul, throw open the depths of your heart to see the riches of simplicity, the treasures of peace, the sweetness of grace."
- St. Ambrose of Milan*

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK Dec. 25-31

Monday December 25 – Christmas Day

10:00 a.m. † Greg McPherson / Jo-Anne McPherson
12 noon † John Healy / Maria Healy

Tuesday December 26

Cancelled Mass
Cancelled Adoration

Wednesday December 27

9:00 a.m. Intentions of Sharon Bugg / Sister
Cancelled Adoration
Cancelled Confession

Thursday December 28

9:00 a.m. † Martin Kraan / T. Walsh
Cancelled Adoration

Friday December 29

9:00 a.m. † Brian Fitzgerald / Anne Marie and Eldon
Cancelled Adoration

Saturday December 30

9:00 a.m. † Martin Kraan / Catherine McGrory
9:30 a.m. - noon **Adoration**
5:00 p.m. For the People of our Parish

Sunday December 31 – Holy Family

9:00 a.m. Intentions of Scott Leatherdale / Costello Family
11:00 a.m. † Jerome Reitzel / Ruth and Lindsay
5:00 p.m. New Years Mass with no intention

MASSES FOR THE WEEK January 1-7

Monday January 1

9:00 a.m. † Mark Henley / Finn Family
11:00 a.m. Intentions of Sharon Bugg / Sister

Tuesday January 2

Cancelled Mass
Cancelled Adoration

Wednesday January 3

7:30 a.m. † Ryan McDonald / Adam Moore
5:30 p.m. **Adoration**
7:00 p.m. † Mark Henley / Gassien Family

Thursday January 4

7:30 a.m. † Mark Henley / Florence O'Neill
5:30 p.m. **Adoration**
7:00 p.m. Intentions of the Catholic Women's League

Friday January 5 – First Friday of the Month

7:30 a.m. † Martin Kraan / Charlene and Bob Ashmore
10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. **Adoration**
7:00 p.m. † Mark Henley / Ann and Ralph Ballam

Saturday January 6 – First Saturday of the Month

9:00 a.m. † Thomas Anderson / Jim & Minnie Callaghan
9:30 a.m. - noon **Adoration**

5:00 p.m. † Paul O'Loughlin / Rita Twohey

Sunday January 7 – Epiphany Sunday

9:00 a.m. † Linda Carlin / Eugene Carlin
11:00 a.m. † Keith and Robert Gassien / Family

WELCOME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS



Christmas is a time for coming home. Often, as we all know, people who have wandered from the active practice of their faith come to Christmas Mass. Why wait to have them just drop in on their own initiative or by the grace of a push from the Lord? I would like you to take the initiative yourself. Invite a Catholic person or family you know to come to Mass with you or meet you here.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Fourth Sunday of Advent

5 p.m. December 23rd Sunday Liturgy Vigil
9 a.m. and 11a.m. December 24th Sunday Liturgy

Christmas (Holy Day of Obligation)

5 p.m., 7 p.m., 10 p.m. December 24th Christmas Eve Vigil
10 a.m., Noon December 25th Christmas Mass

Holy Family

9 a.m. Saturday December 30th Weekday Liturgy
5 p.m. Saturday December 30th Sunday Liturgy Vigil
9 a.m., 11 a.m. Sunday December 31st Sunday Liturgy

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

5 p.m. Sunday December 31st Vigil
9 a.m., 11a.m. Monday January 1st Mass

PRAY FOR THE SICK



Especially for Rylee Stewart, Donna Lee, Kathleen Walden, Sally Dickens, Kathy and Tom Bushell, Violet Marie Werry, Nicole Lessard, Norm Forget, Charlene Lavergne, Michael Smith, James Callaghan, Paul Bouwmeester, A Special Nephew, Charlene Ashmore, Str.Sandra Boyer-CSJ, Peter Giorgini, Norma Goller, Fr.Claire Hickson, Emma Junkin, Sara King, Bob Milton, Myrna Morgan, Bill Muzzi, Paul Nicholls, Ron O'Connor, Suzanne O'Leary, Genevieve Rodrigues, Ellie Roy, Paul Skipworth, Louise Smusiak, and Giselle Young. May the Lord's healing hand touch them.

And for the deceased members of our parish
May they receive the gift of eternal life in heaven.



CHRISTMAS PARISH OFFICE HOURS

December 25th to January 1st Office Closed
January 2nd to January 5th: Office open 9am - noon.

If you are in need of a priest for Anointing of the Sick, please call the Rectory at 705-324-4828 and follow instructions for Emergency. Thank you.

Any other inquiries, by email or voicemail, will be answered the week of January 2nd.

Email: office@stmaryslindsay.ca

Phone: 705-324-4828

Merry Christmas!

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

25% of the Christmas collection is donated to the Retired Priests Pension and 75% remains here with the parish. Thank you for your generous support!

Thank you for your support for these retired Shepherds of the Faithful. After their years of service wherein they received very low pay, they rely on your care and generosity for frugal and dignified support in their retirement years.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Your 2024 membership of \$40 is now due. Please put it in an envelope with personal info plus email address. There is a CWL envelope in your box of church envelopes. questions or concerns, please call Gloria 705-324-2290

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL



Thank you to all the volunteers and all those who prayed for the success of SSVP Christmas Cheer. We were very successful in helping 90 families and 50 adults and seniors. Many people contributed time to shop or organize part of the day of pick-up/delivery.

Bonnie Collins would like to close the books on Christmas Cheer 2023.

If you have receipts, please contact her to make arrangements to submit them as soon as possible.

Bonnie can be reached at 705-324-8072 or by e-mail.

I hope you and your families have a blessed Merry Christmas!

ROSARY MAKERS

Rosary makers will be meeting again **January 8th from 1 to 3:30pm** in the Knights Hall. New volunteers always welcome. We have all the supplies you need.

FAITH FORMATION

Join us in the Sacristy for a faith video presentation and refreshments.

Jan 9th 7:00 p.m. They key to prayer, Why you need Lectio Divina

May our Faith Journey bring us greater peace and joy!

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

Father Dominic frequently visits Ross Memorial Hospital. If you have a Catholic family member or friend at Ross Memorial Hospital who would like a visit and communion, please contact the parish office with the patient's name and room number.

GIFT CARDS

Sales this week: \$12,430 Profit this week: \$671
Sales to date: \$4,625,980 Profit to date: \$243,178

Gift card purchases can be made again starting January 8th. Thank you.

Every time you buy a gift card, you are donating 5% to our Property Maintenance fund. Gift cards will be available at the Rectory Office, by request. Please call ahead of time to place your order. Only cash and cheque payments are accepted. Gift cards are available from the following stores and denominations:

Canadian Tire:	\$25, \$50, \$100
Giant Tiger:	\$25, \$50
Food Basics:	\$25, \$50, \$100
Home Hardware:	\$25, \$50, \$100
Lamantia:	\$20
Tim Hortons:	\$10, \$25, \$50
President's Choice:	\$25, \$50, \$100, \$250
Swiss Chalet/Kelsey's:	\$25, \$50, \$100



DONATIONS TO YOUR PARISH

Offertory	\$4,896
Preauthorized offering	\$2,387
Total	\$7,283

Thank you parishioners who are using [Pre-authorized offering System](#) and [Canadahelps.org](#). If you haven't yet been added to the Pre-authorized Offering System or would like to use donation envelopes, please email office@stmaryslindsay.ca or phone 705-324-4828, thank you.

2023 DONATIONS

Donations to the church for 2023 have to be made by 31 December 2023 to receive credit in 2023. Thank you for your generous support

Envelope holder #302 please contact the parish office or add your name and address to your offertory envelope. Thank you.

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The Offertory envelopes are now available at the back of the church. If you can't find your envelopes or wish to have envelopes, please call the parish office at 705-324-4828. Please note your envelope number may have changed. This was done to reduce excess envelopes and therefore excess cost and waste. Thank you for your understanding.



Christmas Remembrance

We honour our living family members and

friends in this Mass on Christmas Eve:

Adams Family
All of my Family
Andrew Heasip
Anna Rekowska
Anne and Frank Young
Annette and Peter Watson
Barb Grenier
Boam Family
Bonnie Collins
Brasier Family
Brenda and Wayne Curtis
Burrell Family
Campbell Family
Carlin Family
Carolyn Bakro
Collins Family
Courneyea Family
Curtin Family
De Wal Family
Debbie Walsh
Diana Walsh
Dina Hachey
Donna Lee and Family
Elaine Dament
Father Dominic Clovis
Father Simón Magaña
Gladly Turton
Hackett Family

Hopkins Family
Ina Walker
Israel Family
Jamie Ozols
Kristina and Mike Banawa
Larry Hachey
Linda Walsh
Lindsay CWL
Lindsay Knights of Columbus
Lindsay Legion of Mary
Lindsay Saint Vincent de Paul
Liz Hoover
Lockwood Family
Lorraine and Bob Johnson
Madeline Cadigan
Marg Bak
Maurice Mahar
Michael Bak
Montalvo Family
My Children and husband
My family and Friends
Puffer Family
Richard, Richie,
Broderick, Robyn, Katie
Richmond Family
Rita Hogan
Rob, Ardyth Drury and
Family

Roddy Family
Rosebush Family
Sandra Laidley
Sandy and Linda Mac Kinnon
Saxun Family
Sharon Hachey
Shea Family
Shelley, Jeff, Kyle and Michael
McMurter
Stephen Walsh
Susnar Family
Teresa Viechweg
Teresa Walsh
Theresa Boivin
Tiiu Kubjas
Tina Klein
Tully Family
Vern and Alicia Piper
Wayne and Dianne Evans



We pray for our deceased family members and friends in this

Christmas Eve Mass:



Al Pomroy
Alan Huber
Alicia Sexsmith
Amelia Small
Angelina Amaral
Antonio Bairos
Audrey and Doug Watson
Auger Family
Aunt Ina Walker
Bernard and Janine Poliquin
Blake Riggs
Boam Family
Brasier Family
Campbell Family
Carlin Family
Caroline and Herwig Jun
Carrie and Robb Williams
Charles Konyer
Clair Murtha
Collins Family
Comajig Family
Cousin Gordon Walker
David William Smith
Davies Family
Don and Eileen Drury
Edith Gillogly
Edward Allison
Edward Schlumberger
Ethel and Lionel Ward
Eugene Huber
Eugenie Brideau

Fabian Gillogly
Fitzpatrick Family
Flood Family
Frank Walsh
François Huet
Frederick Cadigan
Gerard Curtin
Gerry McPherson
Giberson Family
Gilkinson Family
Gordon Jewell
Guy Mills
Hachey Family
Hackett Family
Helen Walsh
Hopkins family
Hutchinson Family
Isabel Walsh
Israel Family
Jack and Margaret Doleman
Jack Walsh
Jacob Tamlin
James Sexsmith
Jean Sexsmith
Jim and Della
Jim and Michael King
Jim Burnett
John Curtin
John, Harriet Douthwright
and Family
José Bairos
Joseph Walsh
Kallen Skowronek
Kathleen Mills
Ken and Patrick Hogan
Ken Chase
Kim DeMarco
LeBlanc Family
Len Foster
Leo and Pearl Callaghan
Leo, Ursula Burns and Family
Lockwood Family
Lois McPherson

Louise Poliquin
Lucille Walsh
Marion Family
Mary Johansson Dale
McCullough Family
Montalvo Family
My Family and Friends
Nick Drakich
Norma Hall
O'Neil Family
Patricia Caygill
Patrick Burns
Paul and David O'Loughlin
Paul and Lorraine Griffiths
Peter and Gertrude Cira
Peter Griffiths
Peter Pearson
Phyllis Murtha
Pound Family
Reta Cupples
Richmond Family
Roddy Family
Rosebush Family
Saxun Family
Shea Family
Stamp Family
Stan and June Russell
Starr Family
Susnar Family
Sybil Huber
Ted Starr
Alyja Fitzpatrick - Starr
Traynor Family
Tully Family
Valerie Vovko
Waltraut Lavillette





Christmas is almost here!



Christmas is almost here! Isn't it exciting? It's like when it's getting really close to your birthday, except that people all over the world are going to be celebrating Christmas! We should help make Jesus' birthday as special as we can!

I CAN WASH THE SINK FOR MOM!



If your family has an Advent wreath, today all four of the candles will be lit. This represents the light of Jesus coming closer and getting brighter. Jesus is



HERE, I'LL HELP YOU PICK UP THE TOYS.

the light of the world. If we want to make Christmas beautiful, then we should make our own lives shine with the love of Jesus.

HI DAD! I VACUUMED UNDER YOUR DESK!



Does your family have a Christmas tree? Are there lights on it? Do you have Christmas lights on your house? All the little lights you see can represent all the people whose lives are lit up with the love of God. Or maybe they can represent all the good things you can do to brighten up other people's lives! Think of some things you can do to love God and bring His love to your family and your friends and neighbours this Christmas!

Answers to True or False: 1. false; 2. false; 3. true; 4. true; 5. false; 6. true; 7. true; (the baby was John the Baptist!)

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Saint John the Evangelist

December 27

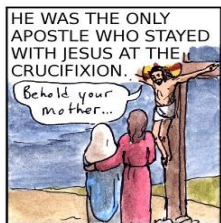


ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST WAS A FISHERMAN AND A FOLLOWER OF JOHN THE BAPTIST BEFORE OUR LORD CALLED HIM TO BE AN APOSTLE.

Come, follow Me!

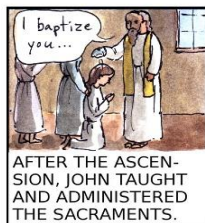


HE WAS THE YOUNGEST APOSTLE AND WAS WITH OUR LORD AT THE TRANSFIGURATION AND THE AGONY IN THE GARDEN.



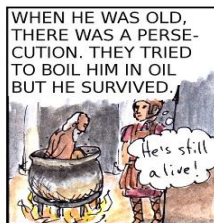
HE WAS THE ONLY APOSTLE WHO STAYED WITH JESUS AT THE CRUCIFIXION.

Behold your mother...



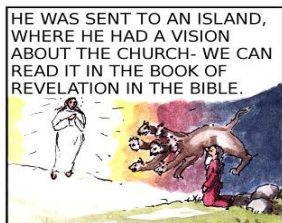
I baptize you...

AFTER THE ASCENSION, JOHN TAUGHT AND ADMINISTERED THE SACRAMENTS.

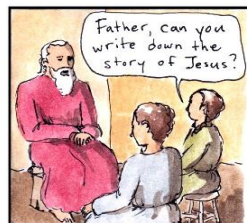


WHEN HE WAS OLD, THERE WAS A PERSECUTION. THEY TRIED TO BOIL HIM IN OIL BUT HE SURVIVED.

He's still alive!



HE WAS SENT TO AN ISLAND, WHERE HE HAD A VISION ABOUT THE CHURCH- WE CAN READ IT IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION IN THE BIBLE.



Father, can you write down the story of Jesus?

WHEN HE WAS FREED FROM THE ISLAND, THE PEOPLE ASKED HIM TO WRITE ABOUT THE LIFE OF JESUS. AFTER THE PEOPLE FASTED, HE WROTE HIS GOSPEL.

IN HIS GOSPEL SAINT JOHN CALLS HIMSELF "THE DISCIPLE WHOM JESUS LOVED." HIS HEART WAS PURE AND DEDICATED TO JESUS, SO HE WAS OPEN TO RECEIVING JESUS' LOVE. WHEN HE GREW TOO OLD TO GO OUT AND PREACH, SAINT JOHN JUST TOLD THE PEOPLE, "LOVE ONE ANOTHER."

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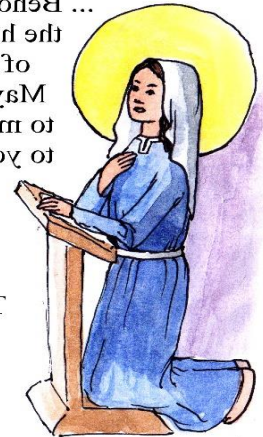
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Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 24th, 2023



Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great, Most High...

Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. MAY it be done to me according to your word.



Then the angel departed from her.

What did the angel Gabriel say to Mary?
What did she reply to him?
Look in the mirror to find out!

True or False?

Today's Gospel Reading: The Angel Visits Mary

How well do you know the story of the Annunciation?
See if you know which are true and which are false:

1. God sent the angel Michael to bring His message to Our Lady. True or false?
2. When Mary saw the angel, she covered her eyes. True or false?
3. The angel told Mary, "Do not be afraid." True or false?
4. The angel told Our Lady that she would have a Son that she would name 'Jesus.' True or false?
5. Mary just said okay and the angel left right away. True or false?
6. When Mary said she didn't understand, Gabriel told her that the baby would be the Son of God. True or false?
7. Before he left, the angel told Mary that her old cousin, Elizabeth, was going to have a baby too. True or false?



Jesus is Born!

Christmas is one of the most important days in the year. We know that it's Jesus' birthday, but let's think a bit more about what that means...

Who is Jesus? He is God. He is also a real man. When Adam and Eve sinned they lost the privilege of going to Heaven. Now people needed to pay back for their sins, but no sacrifice they could make could ever be big enough. Only a perfect man could make a perfect sacrifice. And because God loved us so much He became a man to die for us!



Now think about God, Who made Himself a little baby, coming down to our world. He had a poor mother and foster father, and He was born in a little barn, far away from their home. The first people who came to visit were the rough men who lived in the fields, looking after their sheep.

God loved us so much that He made Himself into a poor baby. Doesn't that just make you want to love Him more? Today or in the next few days, spend some time looking at a creche (a nativity scene) and think about Baby Jesus and how much God loves us.



Answer to front page: there are seven shepherds hiding in this picture.
4, 7, 5, 1, 2, 3, 6.

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Christmas Day
December 25th, 2023



During the night of the first Christmas, the shepherds were out in the fields watching their sheep before the angels came to tell them that the Saviour was born.



Can you find all the shepherds in this picture?

How many are there?

You can colour in the picture too!

SAINT JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS

ST. JOSEPH WAS A HOLY MAN WHO BELIEVED IN GOD AND FOLLOWED HIS LAWS. HE WAS ENGAGED TO MARY WHEN HE FOUND OUT SHE WAS PREGNANT.

I guess I should break up with her quietly...

BUT AN ANGEL CAME TO HIM AND TOLD HIM TO NOT BE AFRAID- THE BABY WAS THE SON OF GOD.

Don't be afraid to take Mary as your wife!

AT THAT TIME THE EMPEROR ORDERED EVERYONE TO REGISTER IN THEIR HOMETOWN.

I want a record of all the people in my lands.

SO JOSEPH TOOK MARY AND TRAVELLED TO BETHLEHEM.

BUT WHEN THEY GOT THERE THE INNS WERE FULL.

Sorry, we're full.

FINALLY THEY FOUND A STABLE WITH ANIMALS WHERE THEY COULD STAY.

There's room in here anyway.

THAT NIGHT THE BABY WAS BORN. ST. JOSEPH NAMED HIM JESUS, AS THE ANGEL HAD TOLD HIM TO. SHEPHERDS CAME TO WORSHIP THE NEW BABY.

GOD CHOSE SAINT JOSEPH, A GOOD AND HUMBLE MAN, TO BE THE PROTECTOR OF HIS SON JESUS AND JESUS' MOTHER, MARY. IT WASN'T AN EASY JOB- THEY HAD TO TRAVEL FAR ON FOOT AND STAY IN A STABLE WITH ANIMALS, BUT SAINT JOSEPH WAS HAPPY TO SUFFER FOR LOVE OF GOD. ARE YOU?

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Who did What?

Write the number of the person beside what they did in the Christmas Story.

1. Saint Joseph Announced the joyful news of the Saviour's birth
2. Our Lady Commanded that everyone register in their hometown
3. The Shepherds Did not have room for the man and his wife
4. The Angels Took his wife to Bethlehem
5. The Innkeeper Pondered all these things in her heart
6. Baby Jesus Went to find the newborn Saviour
7. The Emperor Came to save the people from their sins



Away in a Manger – Drawing Submissions

Thank you to all our drawing contestants. Our parish is full of wonderful talent!
We have two age groups this year, **age 6 and under** and **age 11 and under**.

Age 6 and under

First Place: E. Ryall, age 6



Age 11 and under

First Place: R. Connors, age 9



Age 6 and under



T. Carlin, age 6



E. Connors, age 2



P. Connors, age 4



A. Estok, age 5



A. Jewell, age 4



T. Minielli, age 2



J. Moore, age 6



H. Quinn, age 5



S. Superville, age 5

Age 11 and under



K. Buckley, age 9



A. Carlin, age 9



M. Carreiro, age 8



F. Connors, age 7



A. Jewell, age 9



E. McMorrow, age 7



H. McMorrow, age 9



A. Moore, age 9



E. O'Neill, age 8

Age 11 and under



K. O'Neill, age 10



M. Quinn, age 10



J. Ryall, age 8



C. Superville, age 8

Away in a manger,
No crib for His bed
The little Lord Jesus
Laid down His sweet head

The stars in the bright sky
Looked down where He lay
The little Lord Jesus
Asleep on the hay

The cattle are lowing
The poor Baby wakes
But little Lord Jesus
No crying He makes

I love Thee, Lord Jesus
Look down from the sky
And stay by my side,
'Til morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus,
I ask Thee to stay
Close by me forever
And love me I pray

Bless all the dear children
In Thy tender care
And take us to heaven
To live with Thee there



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St. Mary's Cemetery
Peter Robson, Secretary
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705-328-0918
cemetery@stmaryslindsay.ca

Schedules

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday to Friday 7:30 a.m.
Wednesday, Thursday 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m.
1st Friday of the Month 7:30 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Adoration:

Times may vary due to weddings or funerals
Monday 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday to Friday 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday 9:30 a.m. – 12 noon.
1st Friday of the month 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Confessions:

By appointment or,
Wednesday 5:45 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.
Saturday 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
1st Friday of the month 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.,
6:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Parish Schools

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St. Mary 705-324-3113
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Sacraments

New Parishioners: Welcome to our Parish! Please introduce yourself to our priests and the ushers. A registration form is in the church for you to complete and return to the usher or parish office.

Marriage: Engaged couples can contact the parish office to arrange their first meeting with the priest. This meeting should occur 6 months to one year before the proposed marriage date.

Baptism: Please contact the parish office for details. Baptisms are offered at the end of the month. A pre-baptism online meeting is required.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA): Classes start the beginning of October. Please call the parish office to register.

Catechism Classes (October to May):

1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion: After the 11 a.m. Mass
Confirmation: Tuesdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Anointing of the Sick: If you have a family member or know someone near death please call the rectory and request the sacrament of the sick.

Homebound Ministry: If you know someone who is unable to attend church please call the parish office and we can arrange a visit.

Funerals: Please call the parish office to discuss funeral Mass arrangements. The office works closely with funeral homes to meet your planning needs.