

# St. Mary of the Purification Parish

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**New Parishioners - WELCOME! - Please introduce yourself to the priest.**

**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday - Closed, Tuesday - Friday: 9:30 am - 1:00 pm

## LORD'S DAY LITURGIES:

### SATURDAY:

St. Mary: 4:00 pm Mass

St. Thomas: 5:30 pm Mass

### SUNDAY:

St. Mary: 9:00 am Mass

St. Peter: 11:00 am Mass

## WEEKDAY LITURGIES:

Please refer to schedule inside.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday: 5:30 pm-6:30 pm or by appointment.

**MARRIAGE:** Please notify the Pastor at least 6 months in advance.

\*Deadline for all announcement for the bulletin is on Wednesday.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please contact the parish office.

### PASTORAL CARE NEEDS:

Please contact the Parish Office - for a priest to administer the Sacrament of the sick ( best to call at the onset of illness )  
- Holy Communion to the sick.  
- Home, hospital and nursing home visit.

**FUNERAL:** When death occurs in the family, please contact the parish office.

## PRIESTHOOD & RELIGIOUS

**LIFE:** For information or assistance, see

[www.HamiltonVocations.com](http://www.HamiltonVocations.com)

## DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER:

For information about home activities & events of interest in Diocese of Hamilton, subscribe to the online diocesan newsletter at: [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

## SCHOOL:

St. Mary Catholic Elementary School, 390 Parkside Drive, Mount Forest ON N0G 2L3  
Telephone: 519-323-2586  
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## PARISH BEQUESTS:

Keep your love for parish alive in your will & expression of sympathy.

## 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 3, 2022

### ST. MARY PARISH

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues. Jul 5 - 7:00 p.m. Peter Mogensen Req'd by  
Brenda Murray

Wed. Jul 6 - 9:00 a.m. Loretta Caughlin Req'd by  
Elsie McAsey

Thur. Jul 7 - 9:00 a.m. Fr. Murray Farwell Req'd by  
Sandy & Bruce England & Family

Fri. Jul 8 - 9:00 a.m. Rita Tagney Req'd by Donna &  
Dave Meyer

Sat. Jul 9 - 4:00 p.m. The People of the Parish

Sun. Jul 10 - 9:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

### LECTORS

Sat. Jul 9 - 4:00 p.m. Maxine Schmidt

Sun. Jul 10 - 9:00 a.m. Debra Ross

**CONFESSION: Tue. 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. and by  
appointment, call Fr. Mike at 519-323-1054 ext. 7**

### ST. THOMAS, Harriston

Sat. Jul 9 - 5:30 p.m.- Dec'd members of the  
Seifried Family Req'd by Angela & Dan Seifried

### ST. PETER'S, Ayton

Sun. Jul 10 - 11:00 a.m. – Loretta Murray Req'd by  
Dot Bourgeois

## Sunday's Readings

**First Reading:** *Isaiah 66:10-14c*

I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river.

**Responsorial Psalm:** *Psalm 66 or 123:1-4*

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord.

**Second Reading:** *Galatians 6:14-18*

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord  
Jesus Christ.

**Gospel Reading:** *Luke 10:1-12, 17-20*

Jesus sends out 72 people to announce the coming  
kingdom.

## Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel begins immediately after the final  
verse in last Sunday's Gospel. After strong language  
about the difficulties of discipleship, Jesus  
immediately appoints 72 people to go ahead of him  
to every town and place he plans to visit,  
proclaiming that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He  
sends them in pairs. In the Law of Moses two  
witnesses were needed for a testimony to be  
credible. It was probably also a safer way to travel.

Jesus admits it will be difficult, that he is sending  
them out like lambs among wolves. Yet they are to  
bring nothing with them, not even a money bag or  
sandals. They are to greet no one on the way so as  
not to be distracted from their mission. When they  
enter a house, their message is simply "peace." The  
response they will receive may be positive or  
negative. Either way, they are to know that the  
Kingdom of God is at hand. They are not to demand  
special treatment but eat and drink whatever is  
given them. They are to stay in one house and are  
not to look around for one that provides better  
accommodations. They are to heal the sick as a sign  
that the Kingdom of God is at hand for them. Like  
Jesus' miracles, healing is a sign of the coming of  
the kingdom. If the town will not receive them, they  
are to shake the dust from their feet and move on.  
Even in the case of such rejection they should know  
that the Kingdom of God is at hand.

When they return from their journeys, they are  
rejoicing because their mission has been successful.  
Demons were under their power because of Jesus'  
name. Jesus may have sent them out as lambs  
among wolves, but at the conclusion of this passage  
he assures them that they have been given power  
over the enemy and nothing will harm them, not  
even serpents and scorpions.

A key theme of today's Gospel and last Sunday's  
Gospel is discipleship—its challenges, its  
difficulties, and its rewards. Sharing in the mission  
of Jesus is difficult, but everyone is called to do it,  
not just some professionals trained for ministry.  
Even for us today, the harvest is plentiful. We

should pray to the master of the harvest to send out workers for his harvest.

## Family Connection

Families teach a sense of togetherness and community. It is in the family that we learn that we are dependent on one another and where we learn to work together and live together. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus sends out the 72 disciples in pairs, a sign that we are to work together to serve the mission of the Kingdom of God.

Talk about all the ways that your family works together. Talk about the various chores and tasks that family members work on together to accomplish in order to keep the household running smoothly.

Talk about why it was important that Jesus sent his disciples out in pairs. Discuss ways that your family can work more closely together to support one another and to make the household run more smoothly. Pray for the strength to overcome the temptation to be too individualistic and to recognize the need for working together as a family.

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## 2020 Baby Bottle Campaign

**Thank you for participating** in the Michael House Baby Bottle Campaign. Money given will support the life-changing programs at Michael House.

Thank You from the team at Michael House!

### CWL- Catholic Women's League

Dues for the CWL are still \$25.00 and must be submitted ASAP to my attention, Colleen Dalla Costa, president of the CWL. Any questions please call me. If you have not paid for 2021 as yet that can still be submitted as well or if not a year will just show up as unpaid and deducted from your total years.

**“The Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is**

**not to abandon ship, but to keep her on her course.” - St. Boniface**

### DIOCESAN CALENDAR

Mon.- Rev. M. Bennett

Tue.- Rev. R. Diodati

Wed.- Our Parish Community

Thurs. – R. Dunn

Fri.- Rev. M. McHung

Sat.- Rev. M. Myroniuk

### ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

#### -What is the Church?

The Church is the congregation of all baptized persons united in the same true faith, the same sacrifice, and the same sacraments, under the authority of the Sovereign Pontiff and the bishops in communion with him.

(a) Since Baptism, according to the ruling of Christ, is the gateway to the Church, a person becomes a member of the Church on receiving this sacrament. To remain a real member of the Church after Baptism a person must profess the one true faith and must not withdraw from the unity of the body of the Church in schism or heresy or be excommunicated by legitimate authority because of serious sins. Even schismatics, heretics, and those excommunicated are subjects of the Church and are obliged by its laws unless exempted by the Church.

(b) Sacred Scripture refers to the Church as the Body of Christ, as a sheepfold, as the kingdom of God, and as the kingdom of heaven.

#### -Who founded the Church?

Jesus Christ founded the Church.

(a) Christ completed the founding of His Church just before His Ascension, when He commissioned the apostles to make disciples of all nations. Earlier in His public ministry He had instituted the sacraments, chosen the twelve apostles, instructed them by word and example, and conferred on them the power of teaching, ruling, and sanctifying.

(b) The Gospels show that Christ founded the Church in the form of a visible, hierarchical society, that is, one made up of subjects and superiors who rightfully rule subjects. The Roman Pontiff and the bishops under him are the ruling hierarchy of the Church. The Church is also a monarchical society in which the Pope rules with full power, that is, with jurisdiction over the entire Church. Peter was the first head of the Church founded by Christ.

(c) After Pentecost Sunday the apostles began to carry out their mission, which through them and their successors continues and will continue until the end of time.

### **Why did Jesus Christ found the Church?**

Jesus Christ founded the Church to bring all men to eternal salvation. The Church instituted by Christ is the only way to eternal salvation. Christ gave the Church the means whereby man can be sanctified and saved.

### **How is the Church enabled to lead men to salvation?**

The Church is enabled to lead men to salvation by the indwelling of the Holy Ghost, who gives it life. Although the work of salvation is the result of the operation of all three Persons of the Blessed Trinity, it is especially the result of the Redemption by Christ, and because this work is one of divine love it is attributed to the Holy Ghost, who is the soul of the Church, of which Christ is the Head.  
[www.ewtn.com/faith/teachings/chura1a.htm](http://www.ewtn.com/faith/teachings/chura1a.htm)

*“Let us have charity and humility and give alms, for almsgiving cleanses our soul from the filth of sin. At death we lose all that we have in this world, but we take with us charity and the alms-deeds we have done, and for these we shall receive a great reward from God.”*  
- St. Francis of Assisi

Consider service as a priest. If God calling you contact **Fr. Michael King**, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

*“Only in eternity shall we see the beauty of the soul, and only then shall we realize what great things were accomplished by interior suffering.”*

- Mother Angelica

### **THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS**

#### **July - Elderly**

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

### **Saint Maria Goretti- July 6**

**Virgin & Martyr**- patron of youth, young women, purity, and victims of rape. She was born near Ancona, Italy, in 1890. Her parents were poor farm workers, and her father died while she was still a child. When Maria was 12 she rebuffed the advances of 18 years old neighbour, Alessandro, who threatened to kill her if she did not submit to him. Enraged by Maria's refusal, Alessandro stabbed her several times. Maria died on July 6, 1902, having forgiven him. Alessandro was sentenced to 30 years in prison. After his release, he sought and received forgiveness from Maria's mother. Both he and Maria's family lived to see her canonized in 1950 by Pope Pius XII for her defense of Christian virtue.

*“He loves, He hopes, He Waits. Our Lord prefers to wait Himself for the sinner for years rather than keep us waiting an instant.”- Maria Goretti*

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