

## ST. MARY'S: ST. PATRICK'S: ST. EDMUNDS: HORSE LAKE RESERVE

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## 25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023 World day of Migrants and Refugees

## MASS TIMES: SUNDAY MASS TIMES AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH: Sunday 11AM & 7PM

St. Mary's – Beaverlodge
Weekday Mass: Monday –Saturday: 9:00 AM
Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday immediately after Mass
Sunday Mass: 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM
First Saturday of the Month: 9:00 AM
Reconciliation: Confessions will be heard after all Masses and anytime upon request.
Rosary for Peace ~ The CWL invites all to join them in the recitation of the Rosary on every Tuesday after the 9 AM Mass, St. Mary's Church
Meditation: Every Wednesday at 4:30 PM at St. Mary's Catholic Church

#### Youth Mass

October 1, November 5, December 3, 2023. January 14, February 4, March 3, May 5, 2024.

School Mass As announced.

**St. Edmund's – Hythe** 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays: 9:00 AM 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Mass will be celebrated on Saturday at 7:30 PM All are welcome.

**St. Patrick's – Rio Grande** 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays: 9:00 AM 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Mass will be Celebrated on Saturday at 7:30 PM

**Parish Pastoral Council:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month – 5 PM **Parish Finance Council:** As announced. **Catholic Women's League Beaverlodge:** First Saturday of each month at 10 AM, Church meeting room **Knights of Columbus:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – 2:00 PM

## This Week

Monday ~ St.s Cosmas & Damian & Companions Tuesday ~ St. John de Brebeuf, St. Isaac Jogues & companions

Wednesday ~ St. Wenceslaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions

Thursday ~ St. Vincent de Paul

Friday ~ ST. MICHAEL, ST. GABRIEL, ST. RAPHAEL

Saturday ~ St. Jerome NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

#### Father's footsteps Sept 25- 30, 2023

Monday Sept 25: Mass at 9:00AM Ministry Outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital and neighbouring communities Parish pastoral core committee meeting at 7:00PM Tuesday Sept 26: Mass at 9:00AM followed by CWL Rosarv for Peace Ministry outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital & neighbouring communities Celebration of life 1:00PM followed by grave side service **Divine Renovation Session** Wednesday Sept 27: Mass at 9:00AM Ministry Outreach Hythe Continuing Care at 10:00AM. Hythe Pioneer's Home at 12:20Noon. Visits to Housebound and sick – Horselake First Nation Visit to Pearson Home Thursday Sept 28: Mass at 9:00 AM Ministry Outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital and neighbouring communities **Divine Renovation Session** Meeting Friday Sept 29: School Mass at 9:00AM followed by Eucharistic adoration. Ministry Outreach, Beaverlodge, Hythe and neighbouring communities, Communion to the sick and housebound **Divine Renovation Session** Saturday Sept 30: Mass at 9:00AM Ministry Outreach, Beaverlodge Hospital and neighbouring communities Sunday Mass celebrated on Saturday evening at St. Patrick's Church, Rio Grande at 7:30PM. Sacrament of Reconciliation: Father will be available for confessions on weekdays half an hour before Mass and upon request. If there is a requirement Sundays after Mass. Holy Communion to the sick and house bond, **Blessings:** Available anytime upon request Please note: This is my usual schedule for the week. Unexpected emergencies do pop-up. If you need to contact me for any needs please feel free to do so.

**BAPTISM:** Sacraments: Parents are required to complete a Baptism course for each of their children. Contact the parish priest/parish office minimum before 2 months for preparation and arrangements.

**MARRIAGES:** Please contact the rectory to make arrangements and to begin marriage preparation at least six months prior to the desired date.

**OCIA AND ANY OTHER SACRAMENTS:** Please contact the Parish office at 780.354.2415 or Email: stmarys1@telus.net

## August 2023 Collections

Ordinary Collection: \$5515.55 Other donations or revenue \$.01 Total Revenue: \$5515.56 Total Expense: \$7319.32 Net Income: -\$1802.76 YTD Ordinary Collection: \$60,096.30 YTD Total Other Revenue: \$4654.22 YTD Total Revenue: \$64,750.53 YTD Total Expenses: \$67,840.54 YTD Net Income: -\$3090.01

Thank you for your generosity and commitment to your Parish family!

The Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan is continuing their monthly magazine

## Northern Light

for a third year. The magazine includes in-depth stories, photo spreads and features from Catholic communities across our region. It is a unique resource that is cherished by its readers – don't miss out!

Become a subscriber or renew your yearly subscription for \$70 at <u>www.archgm.ca</u> or check your church for a subscription card.

#### Holy Communion & Anointing of the Sick

This Sacrament is available for anyone who has a serious illness: the elderly whose frailty is becoming more pronounced, major surgery/serious medical tests, uncontrollable and chronic illnesses (arthritis, diabetes, etc.), mental illness.

If you know of anyone who would benefit from this sacrament or is homebound due to infirmity and seeking sacraments please call Fr. Michael. 780.814.3471

## School Mass and Orange Shirt Day!



Do you like to sing? Do you play and instrument? Would you be willing to share your talents with the Parish?

## Join St. Mary's Music Ministry!

We are looking for people who feel called to share their gifts of music!

We would love to add more singers and/or musicians to our existing choir! We are also looking for families, groups, or soloists to add to our Music Ministry Roster.

Contact Fr. Michael, our parish office or Director of Music Ministry, Sheree Loberg at 780.831.9322

## CWL FALL WORKSHOP COME TO THE LIGHT

Grouard-McLennan Diocesan CWL Fall Workshop will take place on October 21 at St. Mary's Church, Beaverlodge

Cost -\$20 includes lunch Registration — 9:30am \* Workshop — 10am — 3pm

Speakers: Fr. Jayapaul, Linda Vandenberg and Lucille Partington

## All Ladies are welcome!

## ARCH GM ANNUAL REPORT

The Archdiocese has prepared a new Annual Report that features statistics, finances, and an overview of all the ministries in our churches. Please pick up a copy of this free report from the church. We hope you will find it an informative and engaging read.

Next faith formation Committee meeting at the archdiocesan level

Next meeting of the members of the Archdiocesan faith formation committee will be on Saturday Sept 30, 2023 via Zoom.

Please mark your calendars!

Friday September 29, 2023 9:00AM. St. Mary's Church All are welcome.



Youth Mass Sunday October 1, at 11:00AM St. Mary's Church All are welcome to join us for Potluck and youth

activity immediately after 11:00AM Mass.

\*We are looking for donations of goody treats and other articles to be used as prizes for children's activities every month. If you can donate, please arrange drop off with Fr. Michael or you can drop donated items off at the parish office during office hours.





#### **#PROLIFE VICTORIES START HERE**

Canada is one of the only countries in the world with no law on abortion. Not only that, but polls also consistently show that the majority of Canadians want abortion restrictions, do not support tax-payer funded abortion and want greater regulations like parental and informed consent. Currently, public policy does not reflect public opinion on this issue because we have a government that is out of touch with not only the concerns of Canadians, but the safety of women and preborn children. The only way we will see legislation passed in the House of Commons, is to nominate and elect pro-life candidates across the country who will pass life-saving legislation. It starts with you and it starts right now.

Let's send a message to our elected officials reminding them that the vast majority of Canadians support some legal restrictions on abortion, in addition to building up a broad, winning pro-life database across Canada. Please sign the petition located in the church foyer or pick up a copy and ask your Pro-life friends to sign!

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Youth Ministry Leadership Workshop Dates for 2023

#### Part One Session:

October 14, 2023 Date: Saturday 14 October 2023 Time: 9.45am - 12.00noon Venue: Online Participation via Zoom Conference. see the zoom link below To join the workshop, go to: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8455928784</u> <u>1?pwd=akNvRml1MjNIektSSHo5bFR6</u> Mi9Zdz09Meeting ID: 845 5928 7841 Passcode: 231218

#### Part Two Sessions:

Date: Saturday 21 October 2023 Time: 9.45am-1.00pm Venue: St. Joseph Catholic Church Grande Prairie

### DEFENDING WATER AND LAND IN HONDURAS

Around the world, people who defend the environment, water and land are often threatened, criminalized, imprisoned or even killed. Honduras is no exception and is one of the five most dangerous countries in the world in this respect.

For Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's *Create Hope: Stand for the Land* campaign, our partner ERIC–Radio Progreso has asked that we support the defenders of human rights and the environment in Honduras. Since 2015, the communities of Guapinol and the San Pedro sector have been fighting to preserve their rivers and the Carlos Escaleras National Park from mining. To find out more, visit <u>devp.org/campaign</u>.

"Communities are displaced. Rights are violated. Access and rights to water denied. All this to give priority to the extraction and pillaging of resources"

-Leonel George, member of the Committee for the Defense of Common and Public Goods of Tocoa, Colón

**Stand in solidarity. Sign the letter** to the Honduran ambassador to Canada at <u>devp.org/act</u>.



# Volunteers needed for Various parish ministries: If you are interested to volunteer at St. Mary's Church there are positions you can help with!

#### Liturgy, Celebration of Sacraments

- 1. Children's Liturgy: to teach and monitor /mentors
- 2. Sacristans/to assistant in preparation for Sacraments, setting up and cleaning up on Sunday's, weekdays, holy days, and funerals
- 3. Altar Servers: Adult and children
- 4. Coffee Host/Ministry
- 5. Lector/Reader
- 6. Musician/Cantor/Singers Music Ministry
- 7. Eucharistic Minister
- 8. Funeral Ministry-
- 9. Care ministry (Visit to the Sick, elderly, disabled, housebound, hospitalized)
- 10. Youth Ministry: Music Activity Planning
- 11. Adult Sacramental Preparation Team member (RCIA/OCIA)
- 12. Volunteer's: Teachers/Adults/parents to assist Altar Servers

#### **Parish Management**

**Parish Council Member** (PPC) Members required. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Michael/parish office **Parish Finance Member** (PFC) As and when vacancy arise.

#### Parish Pastoral Core Committee: Members required.

**Building and Grounds Volunteer:** Gardening, Lawn Maintenance, Snow Removal, Carpentry, Electrical, Plumbing, labour, construction, design/paining.

Website: Designing / Photographer, Video maker, Writers, Contributor /Bloggers.

#### **Environment/Decoration**

Cleaning and Vacuuming Interior of the Church

If you are considering to volunteer: Please add your name to the sign-up sheet that is placed in the foyer or call Fr. Michael/parish office.