Welcome to Our Parish



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St. Mary's Mission Church 680 Clydesdale Rd. Apsley, ON K0L 1A0

Sacraments

Weekday Masses Please refer to the schedule in the bulletin Weekend Masses Saturday – 4:30 PM (Highland Grove) Sunday 9:00 AM (Chandos/Apsley).. 11:00 AM (Cardiff) Baptism by appointment Reconciliation 30 minutes before weekend Masses Anointing of the Sick & Communion for Shut-Ins Please call the office 613-339-2852

Marriages

First appointment at least 6 months prior to wedding date Couples are required to attend Marriage Preparation session

Devotions Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Wednesday 11:00 AM (Cardiff) Eucharistic Adoration / Rosary / Benediction First Fridays 11:30 AM (Cardiff) First Saturdays 5:30 PM (Highland Grove)

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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR A) APRIL 23, 2023 MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Day	Location	Time	Intentions	Donors
Sat. 22	Highland Grove	4:30PM	Int. of Evelyn Mutis +Julia Elliott	Carol Gaboury/Brenda Bowen
Sun. 23 Chandos 9:00 AM		9:00 AM	+Rita McCormick +Mary Murray	Darla-Marie & Jim Whelan
	Cardiff 11:00 AM For the people of the parish			
Mon.24			OFF	
Tue. 25	Highland Grove	7:00 PM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnery
Wed.26	Cardiff	11:00 PM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnery
Thu. 27	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnery
Fri. 28	Cardiff	11:00 AM	Intention of Peter	Peter McEnery
Sat. 29	Highland Grove	4:30 PM	Souls in purgatory	Carol Gaboury
Sun. 30	Chandos	9:00AM	For the People of the parish	
	Cardiff	11:00 AM	+Christopher Stolte	Carol Gaboury

Weekly Financial Report						
	April 16, 2023	April 09 2023				
Highland Grove	\$175.00	\$60.00				
Chandos /Apsley	\$105.00	\$50.00				
Cardiff	\$467.00	\$ 70.00				
Total (Offertory)	\$747.00	\$180.00				
Mss Stipend	\$40.00					
Devl. & Peace Coll.		\$5000.00				
Good Friday		\$675.00				
Easter Coll.	\$20.00	\$880.00				
POP Feb 28	\$1640.00					
POP March 15	\$1,615.00					

Lectors							
Date	H. Grove	Chandos	Cardiff				
	Sat. 4:30 PM	Sun. 9:00AM	Sun. 11:00 AM				
Apr. 22/23	Melissa b.	Sharon C.	Charlene F.				
Apr. 29/30	Brenda B.	Pat C.	Peter P.				
May 6/7	Mackenzie B.	Sharon C.	Peter Mc				
May 13/14	Katie B	Pat C.	Gary B.				
May 20/21	Gary B.	Sharon C.	Theresa P.				

*The Easter Egg fund raising event was able to collect an initial amount of \$730.00 with some collectibles. Thanks to the fund raising committee with Melissa on the lead and those who were able to purchase tickets for the raffle. The prize (Last Supper print) went to the lucky winner NELIA AGUILAR from Brampton.

*Lately, there was a request from Fr. Vic for financial help through the internet. Categorically, "It's a SCAM! PRO-TECT YOURSELF.....FRAUDSTERS request cash and send couriers for pick up or demand the victim send cash by courier services or via cryptocurrency.. If you believe you have been scammed contact your local police and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Center: 1-800-495-8501/antifraudcentre.ca

*When you BACK THE CAT you help close a health care gap that exists in our community. It's time to join our efforts to BACK THE CAT because together we can bring a much needed CT Scanner to QHC North Hastings Hospital. To donate visit BACK THE CAT—North Hastings Hospital fund (nhhfd.ca). We can reach out to our community by directly giving donation to the purchase of CT Scanner. TY

Readings Next Week (MAY 07, 2023) 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

Acts of the Apostles 2:14a,36-41 (Peter and the other apostles baptize 3,000 people.)

1 Peter 2:20b-25 (We have been healed by the wounds of Christ.)

John 10:1-10 (Jesus is the gate for his sheep).

Background on the Gospel Reading

This fourth Sunday of the Easter season is sometimes called Good Shepherd Sunday because in each of the three

lectionary cycles, the Gospel reading invites us to reflect on Jesus as the Good Shepherd. In each cycle the reading is from the tenth chapter of John's Gospel. This chapter sets the framework for Jesus' teaching about himself as the Good Shepherd.

Today's reading falls between the stories of Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the raising of Lazarus. Both of these stories were proclaimed in the Gospels found in this year's season of Lent. Following the controversy that ensued when Jesus healed the man born blind, Jesus directs his allegory about the sheep and the shepherd toward the Jewish religious leaders of his time, the Pharisees.

Throughout John's Gospel the Pharisees fail to accept Jesus' ministry and teaching. They show themselves to be "robbers and thieves" because they try to lead the sheep without entering through the gate, Jesus. Through these metaphors, Jesus is telling his listeners that those who follow him and his way will find abundant life. He identifies himself both as the shepherd and the gate. The shepherds who are faithful to him are the ones whom the sheep (Jesus' disciples) should follow.

The relationship between the sheep and their shepherd is based on familiarity. Sheep recognize their shepherd and will not follow a stranger. At the end of the day, shepherds lead their sheep from pastures to a common gated area called a sheepfold. There, one shepherd protects all of the sheep until the next day when each shepherd returns to lead his own sheep to pasture. As shepherds move among the sheep, the sheep follow only their shepherd.

Today's Gospel also gives us the opportunity to reflect on Christian leadership. Jesus' words suggest to us that those who will lead the Christian community will be known by their faithfulness to Jesus. The leaders will recognize that Jesus is the gate for all of the sheep and that having a good relationship with Jesus is the primary characteristic of a Christian leader. Jesus' allegory also suggests that faithful Christian leadership requires a good relationship with the community: the shepherd knows his sheep, and they know him. Christian leaders follow the example of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, by being faithful to him and by being a good shepherd. (Loyola Press)

Pray for those in need of healing and health

Philip Hughes, Nick Novakowski, Rhys Telka, Jane Tsagrinos, Fr. Bart Burke, Eileen Carr, Ella Richard, Emilee Callzonetti, Pierre Longevin, Eleanor Cadeau, Hermance Therrien, Sally Rayes, George Chennette, Shannon Reid, Megan Connelly, Regina Gedge, Dan, Claudette Wilkinson, Patricia Weston, Eley Wisniewski, Al & Laura Quinn, Patricia Weston, Josie Recto, Sr. Naty Noblezada, Theresa Yaskolski, Even Marshall, Danny Wanless, Fr. Ron Meyer

MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS! 15. So do all marriages go through difficult times?

No-one should naively assume that the journey of marriage will be easy. All marriages go through difficult times, especially when couples must face changes in themselves and in their circumstances. A marriage is thus as much a journey of faith and trust, as it is of love. Couples should resolve to keep forgiving and communicating with each other, and to keep working with each other through the new situations in which they find themselves.

The journey of marriage thus involves constantly letting go of the past to embrace the future: it is a journey into the truth of who one is, the truth of who one's spouse is, the truth of who one's children (and extended family) are, the truth of who God is. Christians should recognize in their journey the Easter pattern of death and resurrection and the mystery of Jesus Christ in their lives. Just as

Jesus died and rose to new life, so the expectations and routine of one stage in a marriage may need to die, if the marriage is to be reborn at a new depth. Indeed, many couples find that it is only when they have reached a point of weakness of failure in their marriage, that they can truly surrender to God's grace and the renewal of their marriage in ways they could never have imagined.

A life-long commitment will always be tested. To reach old age in company with one's spouse, family and friends, is a unique joy that can only be known by those who have persevered through difficult times. This is the joy the church wants married couples to experience and this is why the Church strives to uphold and support marriage and families in every way it can. "The intimate community of life and love which constitutes the married state has been established by the Creator and endowed by him with its own proper laws...God himself is the author of marriage. The vocation to marriage is written in the very nature of man and woman as they came from the hand of the Creator...God who created man out of love also calls him to love-the fundamental and innate vocation of every human being." (CCC1603-04). END

A PRAYER FOR MARRIED COUPLES

Father of life and love, you created us in your image-man and woman. We rejoice and thank you for the gift of each other. Sustain us in our love and lead us to a deeper understanding of your love. Jesus, we come before you seeking your guidance and direction in our relationship. In marriage you call and challenge us to a permanent, exclusive and sacred friendship. Be our strength and support, therefore, as we continue this journey together. Holy Spirit, help us to strive towards a lasting, honest commitment united in love. Give us your strength to carry each other in times of darkness, your joy in times of happiness, and your gift of awe in the uniqueness and sacredness of each other. May our love be a reflection and a sign of your love in the world . Amen

"When God invites us to trust in him, he promises that everything will work out in the end, but he doesn't promise that everything will work out the way we want it." M Kelly

"Marriage is meant to keep people together not just when things are good but particularly when they are not. That's why we take marriage vows not wishes."

"Love is a hammer that will break the hardest heart."

LET'S LAUGH.....A near sighted diplomat attended a ball at a South American embassy. When the orchestra struck up a tune, he felt he should start the dancing. Accordingly he walked over to a figure clad in red and said, "Beautiful lady in scarlet, would you do me the honor of waltzing with me?" "Certainly not!" came the reply. "In the first place, this is not a waltz but a tango. And in the second place, I am not a beautiful lady in scarlet. I'm the papal nuncio."

