#### **Parish Offices**

## Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs & St. Bernard

110 Adams Avenue, Delhi, ON N4B 1P7 Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 am-12:00 noon 1:00 pm-4:30 pm PHONE (519) 582-1312 EMAIL olmstbern@dol.ca

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1:00pm-4:30 pm
PHONE (519) 426-0887
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#### **SUNDAY EUCHARIST**

#### Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

110 Adams Ave., Delhi Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm Sunday at 11:00 am

#### St. Mary

211 Union St., Simcoe Saturday Vigil at 5:00 pm Sunday at 11:00 am

#### St. Bernard of Clairvaux

165 Thompson Rd, Waterford Sunday at 9:00 am

#### St. Cecilia

17 Lynn Park Ave. Port Dover Sunday at 9:00 am

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Mary & Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs

Every Saturday 4:00 pm-4:30 pm

## St. Cecilia & St. Bernard of Clairvaux

Every Sunday 8:15 am or by appointment

# CATHOLIC FAMILY OF PARISHES IN NORFOLK



St. Mary, Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs, St. Bernard of Clairvaux, and St. Cecilia

#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

"We are a Eucharistic community forming faith-filled disciples of Jesus in loving service of God and neighbour for salvation"

Website: <a href="https://www.catholicfamilyparishesnorfolk.dol.ca">www.catholicfamilyparishesnorfolk.dol.ca</a>
Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stbstcstmolgm">www.facebook.com/stbstcstmolgm</a>

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To reach a staff member, call your Parish Office and use the extension provided

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#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter — April 24, 2022

#### A Message

Dear Friends,

from the Pastor

Happy Divine Mercy Sunday to you and your loved ones. May the Lord bestow upon us his mercy and Love. Amen.

Having celebrated the resurrection of Christ, we are called to witness his presence to everyone in the world. This Christian service of God's love begins with our commitment to our faith community and participation in the ministries that keep the Community alive and active in the mission of Christ. Every baptized Christian has received a variety of gifts from the Holy Spirit that are to be used to build up the Church. We can ask ourselves: how am I using the gifts of the Spirit to strengthen my faith Community? Have I volunteered in any ministry before now or do I try to rationalize to justify my non-involvement in the life of the Church? The gracious gifts of God received through the power of the Spirit in the sacraments are for the wellbeing of the body of Christ. We are called to do this without fear or any doubt. I have heard people say I am not good enough because I can make mistakes. It is only God who cannot make mistakes, every human being is prone to making mistakes; we accept and make corrections until we die. When God created us, the scripture says, "God saw all that he had made, and it was very good" (Gen. 1:31). So, there is no one who is not good enough to serve in the ministries in the house of God. The Lord has chosen to bring us into a relationship with him so that we can bring forth his gifts in us to bear fruit in our deeds within and outside the body of Christ. Let us be courageous and make ourselves available to serve in our faith communities. May the Lord bless you as you discern to be involved in the life of our parishes.

The Synodal listening sessions have started in our family of parishes. I thank those who have responded to participate in the process. Please kindly check the bulletin for the dates for the sessions this week and next; there are opportunities for those who have not been able to sign up to make their voice heard. I thank the Coordinators, Table guides and the Scribes for their commitment to the process.

May the joy of Easter fill our hearts with the hope of salvation through Christ our Lord. Amen. Rejoice in the Lord Always! God is greater than our challenges!!

Fr. Augustine Ogundele

#### From the desk of Kathryn Heemskerk:

Easter is a time of year when we deliberately take time to consider our own walk with God. It is a time when we have to be honest about whether or not we are living up to all that He has called us to be. At Confirmation we talk about the fruits of the spirit and the gifts of the spirit, but as an adult we also need to review these. The fruits of the spirit are the observable behaviors of anyone who has allowed the grace of the Holy Spirit to move in them and through them. All of us who have been Confirmed have been given gifts that allow us to live a virtuous and holy life, bearing good fruit, but that fruit will only remain possible if we stay firmly attached to Jesus. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are graces that strengthen us, so we can carry out our vocations for the good of others, inside and outside of the Church. Each of us has different gifts. Look around you. There are so many wonderful people who offer up their time and talents to Jesus. Ask Jesus: What can I do for you? Where can I share my gifts and talents for you? Help me to be all that you have called me to be. Amen

#### To everything there is a season $\dots$ "a time to be healed $\dots$ "

We pray for all the sick of our Parishes: Daphne Jarman, Ruth Lampman, Mark Pastir, Gerta Van Den Hurk, and Rob and Carole Doody

"a time to die. . ."

We pray for all the faithful departed: Sister Angelina Trinca, Mary Van De Velde, Doreen Boehnert and Margaret Vandenberghe

#### Eternal rest grant unto them

Please contact our **Prayer Line** for anyone in need of comfort and solace. We have parishioners who share their gifts and gather in a prayerful ministry to pray for whatever request comes to them.

Prayer Line: 519 582-2431 or 519 426-0788 ~ jeanninekowalsky@gmail.com



#### **Sacramental Dates to Remember**

#### **CONFIRMATION**

**Confession** for Confirmation Students who cannot get to a confession before a regular mass, June 4 10:00 am-12:00 pm at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs and St Mary's

RETREAT: JUNE 11 10:00 am to 12:30 pm OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

Registration will close June 1<sup>st</sup> (firm date)

JUNE 12 7 pm OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS, DELHI

JUNE 12 7pm ST. MARY, SIMCOE

JUNE 19 7 pm ST. CECILIA, PORT DOVER

JUNE 19 7 pm ST. BERNARD, WATERFORD

JUNE 26 7 pm OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS, DELHI

JUNE 26 7 pm ST. MARY, SIMCOE

#### First Reconciliation (Register online)

May 14 OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS 10:00 am to 12:30 pm

May 21 ST. MARY 10:00 am to 12:30 pm May 28 ST. BERNARD 10:00 am to 12:30 pm

#### **First Communion**

Registration will open the week of May 5<sup>th</sup> and close June 10<sup>th</sup> (firm date)

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT **Tues June 14** after mass 7:30 to 8:30 pm **St Mary's** Fr Augustine and Kathryn...everyone is invited to mass and the meeting

July 7 ST. CECILIA'S 7 pm

July 12 ST. MARY'S 7 pm

July 13 ST. BERNARD'S 7 pm

July 19 OUR LADY, QUEEN OF MARTYRS 7 pm

July 26 ST MARY'S 7 pm



#### The Spirit of Truth and Love Catholic Prayer Group

Prayer meetings are every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday evening **at 7:45 pm** electronically on Zoom and every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday **in person after Mass in the Lower Parish Hall**. Please contact John or Barra at johnbarra@sympatica.ca or 519 583-0277 for information.

# St. Mary's Cemetery Causal Labour Maintenance Position

May to end of October

Duties would be, cutting grass, trimming around monuments, trimming bushes, topping up graves with soil and garbage pickup. Have knowledge of lawn equipment, and computer. Must have own vehicle. Please contact Donna Jackson at the office or email <a href="mailto:djackson@dol.ca">djackson@dol.ca</a> or mail resume to St. Mary's Church 211 Union St. Simcoe, Ont. N3Y 2B3.

#### Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs CWL:

- We invite you to join our Catholic Women's League!
- We are a sisterhood of support and understanding that is more than 63,000 members strong, nation wide
- It is a way for you to act on important social justice issues by adding your voice to many
- It is an opportunity for you to be of service to your community, to the country and to God
- It is a chance for you to live your faith with those who share it
- We need you and we want you to infuse us with your fresh new ideas, with your energy and your positive attitudes we know you have a lot to give. Just as God has a place for us, there is a place for each one of us within the framework of the CWL.
  - Our next meeting is **Thursday May 5, 7:00 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. Please Join us. Contact Diane 519-582-1180 or Joanne 519-582-2520 with interest or questions.



#### Mass Intentions & Weekday Mass Schedule

The Sanctuary Lamp April 24, 2022 at: Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs: Deceased Members of the Scheer Family



#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

Monday April 25	Tom Birch
9:00 am	Jose Da Costa
St. Mary	
Tuesday April 26	Maria da conceicao
7:00 pm	Faleceu (Salvador)
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St. Mary	Florian Engelhardt
7:00 pm	D il cill
Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs	Bertha Stiller
	James Bakos
Wednesday April 27	Jose Da Costa
9:00 am	Hannah O'Connor
St. Cecilia	
11:00 am	Carl Schooley
Our Lady, Queen of Martyrs	Eva McMillan
7.00	
7:00 pm	Vital & Mary
St. Bernard's	Vankerrebroeck
	Jerome & Albertine
	Degryse
Thursday April 28	
10:30 am	The Clancy Family
Norfolk Hospital Nursing	The McNally Family
Home	
7:00 pm	5 1 5 1 111
St. Cecilia	Frank Cahill
St. Cecilia	Timothy O'Connor
Friday April 29	Manuel Fernandes
10:00 am	Luis Correia
St. Mary	Zaio correta
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11:30 am	Mary, Stan & John
St. Bernard	Zlomanczuk
	Angela Lados

Adoration 30 minutes prior to Weekday Mass



Second Sunday of Easter (Or Sunday of Divine Mercy) April 24, 2022

Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever. — Revelation 1:18a



#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL UPDATE

SIMCOE/WATERFORD/ DELHI

During the past month, in the Simcoe/Waterford/Delhi area, we gave a three-day supply of groceries and \$1050.00 in food store gift cards, from our pantries to 132 families, having a total of 234 adults and children. The Soup Kitchen provided nutritious takeout meals, three days per week to some of God's neediest children. During the month of March, they served a hot, full course, take-out, meal to an average of 98 people per day of operation. They closed for the season on April 21<sup>st</sup> and will reopen in mid-October, thus giving their many volunteers, a well-deserved rest. Like in the past many years, other organizations will fill this need throughout the summer months.

The donations for the month of March were \$879.00 from Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, \$795.00 from St. Bernard's and \$1330.00 from St Mary's.

Our volunteers will be available after Mass on April 30 & May 1<sup>st</sup> to accept your kind donations to assist the less fortunate in our area. You can also donate by cheque, payable to St Vincent de Paul, Simcoe/Waterford/Delhi, and mailing it to: St Vincent de Paul St. Mary's Conference 211 Union Street, Simcoe, ON. N3Y2B3. We also are able to accept an E Transfer to <a href="mailto:svpstmarysconference@gmail.com">svpstmarysconference@gmail.com</a>. If using the E Transfer facility, in the detail section, please give your name and address. For the security question please use "What province do we live in" answer "Ontario". The income tax receipt will be mailed out at year end, unless otherwise requested. Again, thank you for your kindness and please pray for our members and for those we serve.

# PRAYER OF THE WEEK Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)

God of everlasting mercy,
who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast
kindle the faith of the people you have made your own,
increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed,
that all may grasp and rightly understand
in what font they have been washed,
by whose Spirit they have been reborn,
by whose Blood they have been redeemed.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Spanish Masses will begin May 1, 2022, at 7 pm at St. Bernard's Parish in Waterford

#### Synodal Listening Sessions in Catholic Family of Parishes in Norfolk

#### The Questions:

"What have been your experiences of 'journeying together' with the Catholic Church?" "What joy did these experiences bring?"

"What difficulties and obstacles have you encountered?"

"As we journey forward together, what are your hopes and dreams for the Church?"

How will this happen: 1) In a Onetime Small Group Listening Session, held in your parish hall,

2) Zoom Session

3) On <a href="https://dol.ca/synod-resources">https://dol.ca/synod-resources</a> there is a link for Self-Guided Individual Reflection

Remaining Dates: The Process is to be Completed by May 15, 2022

St. Bernard's Hall: Tuesday April 26, 2022, 7:30 pm

OLQM Hall: Tuesday April 26, 2022, 2:00 pm OLQM Hall: Thursday April 28, 2022, 7:00 pm

St. Mary's Hall: Wednesday April 27, 2022, 7:30pm

St. Cecilia's Hall: Wednesday April 27, 2022, 1:30pm

Zoom: Saturday April 30, 2022, 9:30am

St. Mary's Hall: Monday May 2, 2022, 1:30pm

St. Cecilia's Hall: Tuesday May 3, 2022, 7:30pm

OLQM Hall: Wednesday May 4, 2022, 7:30pm

St. Bernard's Hall: Friday May 6, 2022, 1:30 pm

Send your signup, date, time and parish by email to <a href="mailto:stmarycecilia@dol.ca">stmarycecilia@dol.ca</a> or sign up on the website: <a href="mailto:www.catholicfamilyparishesnorfolk.dol.ca">www.catholicfamilyparishesnorfolk.dol.ca</a>

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