THE HOLY BIBLE - The Bible is a collection of books that the Catholic church believes are the inspired words of God. God chose certain men to write these books under the direction of the Holy Spirit for the benefit of all mankind. The Bible is like a library of books that were written over the course of a thousand years, from about 950 B.C to 100 A.D. (A quick history of the Catholic Church and the Bible) 1.The Catholic Church finally agreed on which writings



should go into the Bible at the Council of Rome in 382 AD during the time of Pope Damasus 2. Damasus encouraged St. Jerome to translate the Scriptures into Latin since Latin was the common language of all educated people 3. Throughout the Middle Ages, portions of the Scriptures were translated into vernacular languages 4. In the mid-1400s, the Bible started to be translated into European languages more widely 5. In the 16th century, some Reformers published Bibles with bits missing, faulty translation work, and subversive notes 6. The authorities tried to regulate which Bibles were acceptable in order to control erroneous teaching 7. Throughout the years, the Catholic Church encouraged Bible reading, but kept control of the interpretation of the Bible as part of the Church's inspired authority to teach the truth and preserve the unity of the Church 8. Pope Leo XIII published a letter in 1893 encouraging Bible study 9. Pius XII in 1943 also encouraged the faithful to study and love the Bible 10. The second Vatican Council in the 1960s encouraged all the clergy and people to study the Bible faithfully.

<u>THANKSGIVING FLOWER DECORATIONS</u> - Thanks so much to the CWL for providing us budget to buy flowers to decorate our altar in commemoration of Thanksgiving Day.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - The Knights of Columbus would like to heartily thank the parishioners of St. Mary's Grafton for their generosity during last week's Rose Sunday appeal. A total of \$391.25 was donated to help support local pro-life initiatives (*Darrel Manley*).

COME & JOIN THE ROSARY COAST TO COAST - As we approach the seventh year of Rosary Coast to Coast 2024, we must unite again in prayer for our nation and the world. We have continued to fervently pray for God's mercy in the face of the afflictions that plague our nation and the world. It is easy to lose hope in these challenging times, but we must place our trust in our Lord and our Blessed Mother as we unite in prayer, answering Our Blessed Mother's clarion call. Through our collective prayers, we can bring about the restoration of peace and order.

<u>PARISH COLLECTION COUNTERS</u> -We are in need of two volunteers to count our parish collection after Sunday morning Mass. The time duration is only around 45 minutes. If you are interested, please contact WES Krentz @ 905-396-2578.

ST MARY'S CWL

1. The next CWL meeting will be on Nov.04/24. 2. On October 08 the CWL welcomed Fr. Stephen Decarlo, Director of Vocations for the Peterborough Diocese, to St. Mary Elementary School. He did presentations on the Sacraments for the school students. Thank you, Fr. Stephen. 3. Fr. Stephen, Fr. Martin & the school staff were invited by the CWL to a Greet N' Meet in the school library prior to the presentations. 4. Happy Thanksgiving to Fr. Martin, CWL members, and all parishioners. Here in Canada, we have so much to be thankful for, in our daily lives.

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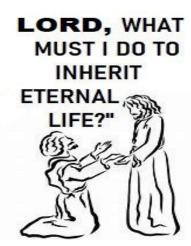
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28TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

Oct 12-13, 2024



ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



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Counters, Wes Krentz-905 396 2578

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Costa (Principal)-905 349 2061

St Mary's Secondary School, Cobourg, Jason
Roberts (Principal)-Tel. 905 372 4339

SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

Baptisms, Marriages, & Anointing of the Sick may be arranged by calling the Office.

Confessions: Saturday at 8:30 am & 3:30 pm, or anytime on request.

First Friday of the month - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 9am

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Oct 14, Mon - No Mass Today

Oct 15, Tues 9am (St. Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor)

Oct 16, Wed 9am (St. Marguerite D'Youville, religious)

Oct 17, Thurs 9am (St. Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr)

Oct 18, Fri. 9am (St. Luke, evangelist) +Luciano Pupolin & Carmela Theodorico

Oct 19, Sat. 9am - Thanksgiving Intention of Maria Marszal

Oct 19, Sat. 4pm (29th week, Mission Sunday) +Bill Rowland by Mavis Rowland

Oct 20, Sun. 10am(29th week, Mission Sunday) - For the people of the parish

October 19 & 20 WEEKEND MASSES

4 pm

10 am

LECTORS: Michael Mullin

Margaret Harry

EMHC:

Paula Blick

Judith Goulin

USHERS: Nick & Darrell Manley lan Manley & Joe O'Kane

WEEKLY
OFFERING

"FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER" 2 COR 9:7 (Oct 5-6)

Sunday Offertory - \$2, 015

Building Maintenance - \$275



PRAY FOR THE SICK MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

Eailen Fitzgerald, Dalton McDonald & Jeanie Grol

<u>E-TRANSFERS</u>-The Parish is able to accept e-transfers. If you forget your envelope or you are visiting and want to make a donation, you can log onto your mobile banking and send your donation to *office@assumptiongrafton.ca*. Make sure to put your envelope number (if you have) or name and address in the message section of the transfer. The transfers are auto deposit so no need to set up a password.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

THANKSGIVING DAY - With grateful hearts, we give today a profound praise & thanks to our almighty God, whose gifts endowed to us are countless and whose goodness is without limit. As a token of gratitude, may we use wisely the rich blessings of the land and sea, be attentive to the needs of others, and give as freely as we have received, that we may in the joy of God's house, delight one day in eternal rewards. Happy Thanksgiving Day!!!



BIBLE THANKSGIVING VERSES - Scripture is filled with thanksgiving that can inspire a heart and life filled with the power of gratitude. Thanksgiving and praise always go together. We cannot adequately praise and worship God without also being thankful. Psalm 107:1: "Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his steadfast love endures forever!" 1 Thessalonians 5:18: "Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you". Philippians 4:6: "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY (Collection next weekend) - World Mission Sunday is the one day in the year when the entire global Church comes together to express solidarity in support of Mission. Every parish, school and community is invited to join this special event, and every penny and prayer you give to Mission helps missionaries everywhere continue their work.

OVERCOMING CHALLENGES THROUGH HOLY ROSARY-The Rosary has been and continues to be

a gift to Catholics and a weapon against sin and evil. There are countless stories of graces and favours received through its recitation. May the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7) awaken in the hearts of all Catholics this filial devotion and trust in the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

THE LEGACY OF POPE PIUS X11 - "In 1939, the 260th pope was elected. Not only would he face the challenge of leading the Church, but also the horrors of the second World War. And his response would be remembered for decades. World War II broke out six months after Pope Pius XII began his papacy. He used his diplomatic background to respond to the violence and published his first encyclical, "Summi Pontificatus," which called for prayer to end the war. This was just the beginning of his mission of peace during the world war. In 2020, Pope Francis opened an archive of documents relating to Pope Pius XII and his relations with the Jewish people during World War II. His work was uncovered: 16 million pages recount the difficult period of world history and the documents reveal that more than 4,200 Jews were hidden in convents and monasteries in Vatican City. Thanks to Pope Pius XII and other Church members, 80% of the Jews in Rome survived the Nazi occupation—more than anywhere else."