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**1st Sunday of Lent    February 26, 2023**  
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**Feb 26** Archbishop Albert LeGatt - 9:00 am Mass and 11:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Hope  
**Mar 5** Fr. Carl Tarnopolski - 9:00 am Mass at St Mary and 11:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Hope  
**Mar 12** Archbishop Albert LeGatt - 9:00 am Mass and 11:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Hope  
**Mar 19** Archbishop Albert LeGatt - 9:00 am Mass and 11:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Hope  
**Mar 26** Archbishop Albert LeGatt - 9:00 am Mass followed by "Breakfast with the Bishop"  
Fr John McKenzie 11:00 am Mass at Our Lady of Hope

Archbishop LeGatt will be presiding at the following Lenten/Easter services:

**Penitential Celebration** St Mary Wednesday March 29 7:00 pm  
**Holy Thursday Mass** April 6 - Our Lady of Hope 5:00 pm                      St Mary 7:30 pm  
**Good Friday Service** April 7 - Our Lady of Hope 1:00pm                      St Mary 3:00 pm  
**Easter Vigil** April 8 - Our Lady of Hope 6:00 pm                      St Mary 9:00pm  
**Easter Sunday Mass** April 9 9:00 am St Mary 11:00 am Our Lady of Hope

The Saturday evening Mass and daily Masses at St Mary are still cancelled until further notice.  
If you are in immediate need of a priest, you can call Fr. Sylvanus Omali 204-268-9020 or you can call Fr. Joshua Gundrum at 204-482-4197. If you have other questions, please call the parish office at 204-268-2453 and leave a message or send an email.

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**Mass Intentions:**

| <b>St Mary</b>  | <b>Our Lady of Hope</b>               |
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| <b>Feb 26</b> + Stanislaw and Wladyslaw Wojcik by the Wojcik family                       | Don Wheeler by John & Carol Mravinec  |
| <b>Mar 5</b> + Don Kubish by Virginia Kubish  | Josie Bednar by John & Carol Mravinec |
| <b>Mar 12</b> + Robert Quenett by Connie Quenett  | -----                                 |
| <b>Mar 19</b> - Intention to St Joseph for children and grandchildren by Stanislaw Wojcik | -----                                 |
| <b>Mar 26</b> + Emily Barret, Yvonne Jokinen from funeral offerings                       | -----                                 |

**Mass Intentions:** There are Sundays available in March and April. Please use the designated envelopes at the back of the church to request Mass intentions or contact the parish office 204-268-2453.

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**Keep in your prayers:** Trevor Szajewski, Rosanne Bortoluzzi, Connie Quenett, Thea Lepplemann, Randy Gmiterek, Monika Mehl, Anne Sedo, Tatjana Stegne, Carol Mravinec and all the sick and suffering in our parishes.  
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**Development and Peace:** Information on the Share Lent Campaign is available at the back of the church. An envelope for an offering to Development and Peace is in your box of donation envelopes. Please use it.  
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**Sacrament of Confirmation:** Our Lady of Hope will definitely be having Confirmation this year as we already have 2 candidates. If anyone is interested in having their child Confirmed this year, please contact Lucille Chay at [lrchay7@gmail.com](mailto:lrchay7@gmail.com) before February 28, 2023.

Our **condolences** to the Kuzmack family on the loss of their beloved Jean Kuzmack who passed away on February 20, 2023. Funeral mass will be held at St Mary Church on March 6 at 1:00 pm with a gathering to follow in the Beausejour Room at the BBRC hall after the interment at the St Mary Cemetery.

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**The World Day of Prayer** is a prayer movement by the Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada that invites us to enrich our faith experience with the experience of Christians from other countries and cultures and to bring hope to women touched by injustice. This year's program, "I Have Heard About Your Faith" was prepared by the Taiwan WDP Committee. In Beausejour, the **World Day of Prayer** will be held at **Zion Lutheran Church, Friday, March 3, 2023 at 2:00 pm.** Everyone interested is welcome to attend.

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**Lent:** began on Ash Wednesday with a service that reminds us to repent and turn back to God. Lent is to be a time of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving in preparation for the great celebration of Easter. Resources to help you in this journey are available online but also in books, and in prayer rituals such as the **Way of the Cross** which will be held on **Fridays during Lent** at 7:00 pm at St Mary.

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**RCIA** - There are two Catechumens in St Mary parish preparing for full initiation into the Catholic Church at our Easter Vigil. They will celebrate the **Rite of Election** at 3:00 pm February 26 at the St Boniface Cathedral. Please pray for Esperanza and Inde Botican as they continue their preparations during Lent.

The **Rite of Election** is all about saying yes to Jesus. Election comes from a word that means "choose" and the whole ceremony reflects that theme. The sponsors and catechists are asked about how the catechumens have responded to God's call. The community is then asked to accept, or to say yes to, those who are ready to receive the sacraments. The catechumens say yes by stating their desire to join the church and writing their names in the book of the elect, "the chosen". In the next step of their journey during Lent, they will spend time looking at their life in relation to what Christ asks of them. We too, can follow along their journey during the season of Lent and re-examine our lives. Christ has called you. How will you respond?

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**40 Cans for Lent:** Our **Knights of Columbus** again ask for your support in building the in-kind donation of food to feed the hungry in our community. The goal is to have each council member contribute one can of food per day during the forty days of Lent, but other parishioners can also contribute. Canned food items can be brought to the church and will be stacked at the altar to show the progress!

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**St Mary Parish Survey:** will take place today during Mass. Your responses to the survey questions will guide the Parish Pastoral Council as to the needs and wishes that are a priority in our parish. This is your opportunity to help form the future of our Parish. You may share your opinions by completing the paper survey or completing the anonymous online survey at [www.stmoloh.ca](http://www.stmoloh.ca). Both paper and electronic responses will be accepted until March 12, 2023. Copies of the survey can also be picked up and dropped off in the mailbox by the rectory door. You can also take a survey to a relative, friend or neighbour to fill out. Survey responses will be accepted until March 12, 2023

A parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is vital in the life of all parishes: it is the principal avenue of consultation and planning. All parishes are best served by a PPC that is well structured and vibrant. Once the Survey feedback has been reviewed and priorities have been identified, a new PPC will be formed. New members and previous members will be invited to offer their ideas and service.

***Please continue to pray for the success of the formation of the Parish Pastoral Council!***

***St. Mary Prayer for Parish Renewal***

***“Reach up, Reach out, Reach in”***

*Heavenly Father, thank-you for gathering us together at St. Mary Parish.*

*Send your Holy Spirit to guide us as we discern your will  
for the spiritual renewal and growth of our parish.*

*Give us strength, courage, wisdom and light as we offer our gifts to you,  
to develop a strong and vibrant parish.*

*Help us to become flames of faith, hope and love, in our families,  
in our communities and in our workplaces.*

*May our community serve as a place of hope and healing,  
a place of worship and spiritual growth; a place of nourishment and support.*

*We pray that St. Mary be welcoming of All who walk through our doors. Amen*