

St. Mary of the Presentation Church Chesterville

St. Daniel the Martyr Church South Mountain



*St. Mary of the Presentation,
Chesterville*

Established: 1851



*St. Daniel the Martyr
South Mountain*

Established: 1849 Rebuilt: 2013

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (St. Daniel's)
Sunday 11:00 a.m. (St. Mary's)

Daily Liturgy

Please refer to the schedule included with
this bulletin

Pastoral Visits

Regular pastoral visits are available on
request. Please call the Parish office.

Confessions are available 30 minutes
before each regular daily and Weekend
mass and by appointment.

Baptism: Contact the office. Families
must be registered with the parish.

First Communion/Confirmation:

Contact the office. Meetings with parents
and candidates begin in September.

Funeral Service: Please contact the
Priest.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements with the pastor should be
made at least 6 months in advance. A
marriage preparation course is required.

Contact

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Website: stmaryofthepresentationparish.ca

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryofthepresentationparish>

Parish Administrator: Father Oliver Wekesa

Office Hours: Thursday 10:30am - 3:30pm
(Appointment preferred) Friday 10:30am - 3:30pm

Bookkeeper: Brenda Sliva (Leave message at the office. Your call will be returned.)
Secretary: Jacqueline Louise (Thursdays 9:30am-12:00 pm, Fridays 9:30am - 12:00pm)

Announced Masses

Fourth Sunday of Lent, Year A, March 15, 2026

| Day | Date | Time | Place | Intention | Requested by |
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| Sat. | Mar. 14 | 5:00pm | St. Daniel | For the people | |
| Sun | Mar. 15 | 11:00am | St. Mary | For the intentions of Franco Villano | Steven & Gloria Poletti |
| Wed. | Mar. 18 | 6:00pm | St. Daniel | For the intentions of Sr. Teresa Cardinez | Randy & Sherry Ali |
| Thurs. | Mar. 19 | 9:00am | St. Mary | For the repose of the soul of Ray Hicks | Carolyn & Mark vanDelst |
| Fri. | Mar. 20 | 8:00am | St. Mary | Adoration | Nicholas Percy |
| | | 9:00am | | In thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus | |
| Sat. | Mar. 21 | 5:00pm | St. Daniel | For the repose of the souls of Robert, Rose, & Lucien Villeneuve | Christine & Ed DiZazzo |
| Sun | Mar. 22 | 11:00am | St. Mary | For the intentions of Giacomo Donato | Steven & Gloria Poletti |

The Saint Mary Sanctuary Lamp

If you wish to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp for **one week** the cost is \$10.00*

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| <p>Third Sunday of Lent, Year A, March 8, 2026</p> <p>St. Mary's Regular: \$858.35; E-transfers: \$135.00; Building Fund: \$139.00 Missions in Canada: \$0.00; Easter Flowers Collection: \$335.00</p> <p>St. Daniel's Regular: \$605.00; E-transfers: \$165.00; Easter Flowers Collection: \$165.00</p> <p>St. Mary's Cemetery \$20.00 St. Daniel's Cemetery : \$0.00 St. Mary's/St. Daniel's Mass Account: \$80.00</p> |
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E-transfer St. Mary's: stmaryofpresentationpayments@gmail.com
 St. Daniel's: stdanielparishpayments@gmail.com

We have a new Facebook page! <https://www.facebook.com/stmaryofthepresentationparish>.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Stations of the Cross: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting the Stations of the Cross with a Poverty Soup. Stations will be at St. Mary's at 7:00 pm every Friday from Feb 20th - Mar 27th and at St. Daniel's at 5:30 pm every Wednesday from Feb 25th - Apr 1st. Mark your calendars now to join your fellow parishioners in prayer and fellowship as a Church community this Lenten season!

2. Adult Faith Development Study: Join us at St. Mary's Parish on Saturdays at 3:00pm during Lent to deepen our understanding of The Seven Last Words of Jesus. No preparation required!

View this week's videos online at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gc9wXrvKfZg> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L5W WDE5o1fM>

3. Lenten Confessions: St. Daniel's - Wednesday March 25th @ 5:00pm. St. Mary's - Thursday March 26th @ 5:00pm.

4. Easter Triduum Schedule 2026:

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| Holy Thursday - April 2nd | 7:00pm | Mass - St. Mary's, Chesterville |
| Good Friday - April 3rd | 10:00am | Stations of the Cross - St. Mary's, Chesterville |
| | 3:00pm | Solemn Liturgy - St. Daniel's, South Mountain |
| Holy Saturday | 8:00pm | Easter Vigil - St. Mary's, Chesterville |
| Easter Sunday | 8:30am | Mass - St. Daniel's, South Mountain |
| | 11:00am | Mass - St. Mary's, Chesterville |

5. Games Night: Join St. Mary's Parishioners for a Games Night on the 3rd Friday of the Month (March 20th, 2026). All are welcome to join in on the fellowship and fun!

6. Praying Hands Lenten Mission: On behalf of the Praying Hands' Lenten mission, donations for the FAITH Pantry in Chesterville will be received for the remainder of the Lenten season. There is a basket labelled "FAITH Pantry" in the foyer of St. Mary's Parish for non-perishable food donations. Thank you for your support.

7. Envelopes: The Parish Office asks that all parishioners who use the collection envelopes please write their name on their envelopes over the next few weeks to ensure the numbers are allocated to the correct individuals. Thank you for your assistance!

8. Bus Trip - 200th Anniversary Mass for the Archdiocese of Kingston: Join fellow parishioners on a coach bus trip to the Archdiocese's 200th Anniversary Holy Mass and reception in Kingston, on Saturday, April 18th. The cost is \$40 per person. The bus will pick up from St. Mary's, Chesterville, St. Daniel's, and St. Mary's, Morrisburg. See sign-up sheet at the back of the church for details.

REFLECTION

Ephesians 5:8-14

I want to reflect on Paul's statement: "You were once darkness, but now you live as children of light in the Lord." This verse emphasizes the terrible impact that sin and alienation from God have on the human heart. Our identity, however, transforms because of baptism and Christian faith. We no longer belong to darkness; rather, we belong to light.

The world today is full of depression. Conflict, terror, injustice, and misery can be felt all around us. Sometimes we favor darkness because it conceals our sins, shortcomings, and compromises. But Christians are not supposed to whine about the darkness. We are supposed to provide light. Light lets us see clearly. In the same way, Christ shows the reality of our life. According to Paul, the fruit of light includes goodness, righteousness, and truth. People should be able to see Christ in how we live. Our homes, workplaces, and communities require Christians who demonstrate love, honesty, and justice in their daily lives. Furthermore, Christ's light reveals what needs healing. Not to humiliate, but to liberate us. In addition, when we lack God's grace, we become susceptible to the temptations of greed, injustice, dishonesty, and indifference. Yet, each time we choose love, forgiveness, honesty, or compassion, we illuminate the world with a renewed sense of hope and goodness. These everyday actions serve as beacons, reminding others of the transformative power of living in the light.

So today, God's Word asks each of us a simple question: Are we living as children of light? May Christ help us wake up, walk in the light, and let our lives reflect His love for the world.

“When we consider that Christ is the true light, having nothing in common with deceit, we learn that our own life also must shine with the rays of that true light.” - *St. Gregory of Nyssa*

