

St. Mary of the Presentation Church Chesterville

St. Daniel the Martyr Church South Mountain



*St. Mary of the Presentation,
Chesterville*

Established: 1851

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.



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Established: 1849 Rebuilt: 2013

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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E-transfer St. Mary's: stmaryofpresentationpayments@gmail.com

St. Daniel's: stdanielparishpayments@gmail.com

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

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, August 23rd, 2026

Day	Date	Time	Place	Intention	Requested by
Saturday	Aug 22	5:00pm	St. Daniel	For the repose of the soul of Patrick Andrew Maraj	Randy & Sherry Ali
Sunday	Aug 23	11:00am	St. Mary	For the people	
Thursday	Aug 27	9:00am	St. Mary	For the Sanctity of Life	Knights of Columbus
Friday	Aug 28	8:00am	St. Mary	Adoration	
		9:00am		For the repose of the soul of Angelo De Marinis	Henriette & Terry Sloane
Saturday	Aug 29	5:00pm	St. Daniel	For the people	
Sunday	Aug 30	11:00am	St. Mary	For the deceased parishioners of St. Mary & St. Daniel's Parishes	Mary & Wayne LaPrade

The Saint Mary Sanctuary Lamp

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

Sunday Collection:

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, August 16th, 2026

St. Mary's Regular: \$1329.00; **E-transfers:** \$135.00; **Building Fund:** \$70.00

St. Daniel's Regular: \$637.00

St. Mary's Cemetery \$75.00 **St. Daniel's Cemetery :** \$0.00

St. Mary's / St. Daniel's Masses: \$20.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. St. Mary's Cemetery Mass: The Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cemetery on Saturday, September 12th at 11:00 am. The altar will be set up in front of the Columbarium. Please bring your lawn chairs. The Knights of Columbus will provide parking directions and assistance to walk to your seat as requested. Upon request, Father may be able to attend individual graves for personal prayers. A collection will be taken in support of the Cemetery operations. Your generosity will be appreciated. Please be aware that there are no facilities on-site and there is no rain date in the event of inclement weather. The Cemetery is located at #3065, CR7, (aka, the Dunbar Road); 3kms south-west of St. Mary's Church.

2. St. Mary's Children's Liturgy Update: Children's liturgy will be pausing for the rest of the summer. Please find a weekly children's bulletin and crayons at the back of the Church for your children. We will resume after the September long weekend.

3. St. Mary's Parish 175th Anniversary Booklet: Booklets on "The History of St. Mary of the Presentation" are available for purchase at the Parish Office. Booklets are \$20 each.

4. St. Daniel's 200th Anniversary & 15th Anniversary since Rising From the Ashes Event: On Friday, September 11th at 6:00pm at the South Mountain Agricultural Hall. Tickets for the Roast Beef Buffet are \$50 for Adults and \$20 for children 5-12 years old. *For e-transfer payments, please note that your payment is for the St. Daniel's Anniversary Dinner.* Please contact for all ticket sales: Carrie Keller: paintings2order@eastlink.ca; Peter Feehan 709-640-7407 or Randy Ali 613-324-7208.

5. The FAITH Pantry: The Food Bank at the Christ United Church in Chesterville is hoping for more volunteers for a few hours once or twice a month. If you are able to help out, please contact: Christine Cross-Barkley, the Co-ordinator of FAITH Pantry at 613-619-5960, or by email at: ccu.faithpantry@gmail.com

6. Secretary Absence: Please note that our Parish Secretary will be absent on August 28th and from September 4th - 13th. Thank you for your patience as the Office responds to your requests.

REFLECTION

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Scripture: Psalm 138

The response to this week's responsorial psalm is, "Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands." This powerful verse expresses the psalmist's gratitude to God for listening to his cries, remaining unwavering in His faithfulness, and offering strength in times of struggle. It inspires us to remember that, even in our most challenging moments, we can confidently place our trust in the Lord's enduring love and support.

The psalm begins with an important statement: "I give you thanks, O Lord, with all my heart." Thanksgiving is more than just something we do when things go smoothly. Sometimes we pray and do not receive an immediate response. We can even doubt whether God is listening. Therefore, the psalmist instructs us to appreciate God's goodness in all circumstances. Looking closely at our lives, we can find many reasons to thank God: life, family, faith, opportunities, protection, forgiveness, etc. Another significant message is found in the words: "When I called, you answered, and you strengthened my soul." God may not always eliminate our issues quickly, but He does provide us with the strength to overcome them. There are times when we need a stronger heart and deeper faith than a change in life. When we are weak or discouraged, God's presence allows us to persevere.

Moreover, there may be times when we feel disappointed, unappreciated, or unclear about the future. Psalm 138 affirms that God has not abandoned us. He strengthens the weak, hears those who call out to Him, and lovingly guides those who put their faith in Him. Let us keep trusting the Lord and thanking Him always.

“The best way to show my gratitude to God is to accept everything, even my problems, with joy.” - St. Theresa of Calcutta