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**
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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, November 8th, 2026

Day	Date	Time	Place	Intention	Requested by
Saturday	Nov. 7	5:00pm	St. Daniel	For the intentions of Germaine Dessaint	Anne & Steven Caza
Sunday	Nov. 8	11:00am	St. Mary	For the repose of the soul of Andrew Krishna Maraj	Carolyn & Mark van Delst
Saturday	Nov. 14	5:00pm	St. Daniel	For the repose of the souls of Angus, Christine, and Leonard McEvoy	Shirley McEvoy
Sunday	Nov. 15	11:00am	St. Mary	For the people	

The Saint Mary Sanctuary Lamp

In memory of Emily Howat by Michael and Frances Coyne

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

Financials:

Sunday Collection:

Solemnity of All Saints, Year A, November 1st, 2026

St. Mary's Regular: $1660.00; E-transfer: $1153.00; Building Fund: $66.00; All Souls Day: $240.00; Christmas Flowers: $70.00; Priest's Retirement Fund: 40.00

St. Daniel's Regular: $415.00; E-transfer: $165.00; All Souls Day: $285.00

St. Mary's Cemetery: $55.00; **St. Daniel's Cemetery**: $0.00

Please Note:
E-transfer Email: St. Mary's: stmaryofpresentationpayments@gmail.com
St. Daniel's: stdanielparishpayments@gmail.com

Cheques should be made out to the following:

- **St Mary's and St Daniel's Roman Catholic Church** - for donations to St. Mary of the Presentation
- **St Daniel Church South Mountain** - for donations to St. Daniel the Martyr
- **St Mary's and St Daniel's Roman Catholic Church** - for payment of Masses, and note Masses in the description box

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. CORRECTION - Names on Cheques: We have recently been advised by BMO that, as part of its fraud prevention and compliance measures, it is enforcing its cheque deposit requirements more strictly. Moving forward, cheques deposited into parish bank accounts must be made payable to the exact official account name registered with BMO. Cheques made payable using variations of the parish name may be returned or refused for deposit.

Therefore we ask that going forward you please write the following names on all cheques:

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Donations will be credited to the parish that the envelope is from, do not be concerned that the St. Mary of the Presentation account also has St. Daniel's in the name. For those who use envelopes, we have attached a sticker with the correct name to the envelope box. If you have already picked up your envelopes please ask the usher for a sticker for your box.

2. Church Envelope Numbers: - For the next two weeks could you please write your whole name, address and phone number on your Church envelope as we are ensuring our information is correct for the 2027 envelopes and 2026 donation receipts. This is very important as we still have an envelope number that we do not know who to assign the donations to.

3. St. Daniel's Bake Sale & Mass Time Swap: Sunday, November 22 after the 8:30 am mass. Father Oliver and St. Mary's, Morrisburg have kindly agreed to switch mass times with St. Daniel's that weekend – St. Mary's, Morrisburg will have a Saturday 5 pm mass, and **St. Daniel's will have a Sunday morning mass at 8:30 am** followed by the bake sale and a coffee party which everyone is invited to attend and enjoy some social time together. Anyone wishing to contribute baking is asked to bring it into the church hall between 8:00 am and 8:15 am the morning of Sunday, November 22nd. The Ladies Group will also begin selling tickets for their Christmas Basket Raffle at the coffee party.

Our dedicated long-time altar server Anthony Sylvestre has been selected as one of three students from St. Michael Catholic High School to attend a Service Trip to Costa Rica in February 2027. The students will be helping with building projects, developing a relationship with the Costa Rican people, while at the same time achieving a greater understanding of life in a developing nation. The students will be helping the people of the area, while personally benefiting from a rich educational and spiritual experience. The St. Daniel's Ladies Group is happy to support Anthony's fund raising request to help cover the cost of his travel and living expenses while in Costa Rica. Proceeds from the annual bake sale will be directed to Anthony's fundraising efforts. As always, we thank our wonderful parishioners for your continuous support of our annual bake sale initiative.

4. St. Mary's Social Committee: We are looking for new members to join our Social Committee and help create welcoming opportunities for parishioners to gather, celebrate, and grow together in faith and friendship. If you enjoy planning events, sharing ideas, or simply lending a helping hand, there is a place for you! If you feel called to be part of this ministry, please leave your name and e-mail on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church. For any questions please call Michelle Renaud 613-799-8300 or Pam Kirkwood 613-448-2350.

5. St. Mary's Praying Hands November Meeting: Please note the change in meeting time from the usual First Saturday date. Praying Hands will be held on **Nov. 14th** beginning at 9:30am in the Church Hall with the Rosary. This month's discussion will centre around Purgatory.

6. St. Mary's Parish Retreat: Mark your calendars! St. Mary's Parish will be hosting a retreat in honour of our Patron Saint, Our Lady of the Presentation! The retreat will take place on Nov. 19th (6:00pm), Nov. 20th (6:00pm) and Nov. 21st (10:00am), ending on our Parish Feast Day. Each day begins with Mass (approximately 75 minutes) and includes a teaching related to Our Lady. Fr. Charles Enyinnia will be our Retreat Leader, speaking on the themes of Advent, Jubilee, Hope, Mercy & Joy! Take a little time from your everyday lives to explore with Fr. Charles the extraordinary gifts that only Christ gives us. A light celebratory lunch will be provided to end the retreat on Nov.21st. See poster for details.

7. Sacramental Preparation Meeting Dates: All Sessions will follow the 11:00am Mass at St. Mary's Parish. The dates for each class are:
- *First Communion*: **November 8th**, December 13th, January 10th, February 7th, March 7th, April 11th. Retreat on May 8th. Reconciliation on May 23rd. First Communion May 29th.
- *Confirmation*: November 22nd, December 20th, January 24th, February 28th, March 21st, April 25th. Retreat on May 15th. Reconciliation & Confirmation Mass TBD.

8. Weekday Mass Cancellation October / November 2026: Please note that Fr. Oliver will be on vacation from October 12th to November 18th 2026. Sunday Masses will be celebrated as normal, however weekday Masses will not be celebrated during this time.

9. St Clare's Anglican Church - Concert: St. Clare's Anglican Church is hosting a sing along "Comfort and Joy" concert by Tripoly and Grenville Troubadours! Sunday Nov. 29th at 3p.m. 2530 Falcone Rd, Winchester Ont. Tickets are $25 each. Call 613 989-2823 or 613 913-4352 to reserve. Some tickets will be available at the door.

REFLECTION

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Written by: Fr. Michael T. Winstanley, SDB

Our first reading today from the Old Testament encourages us to seek wisdom. Since the coming of Jesus, Christians see wisdom as a gift of the Holy Spirit. It is certainly a gift which we must seek, for we need guidance in our thinking and decision making. The idea of seeking and longing is central to the beautiful responsorial psalm, our thirsting for God. "My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water." This is imagery with which we can more easily identify after the warm weather and drought conditions earlier in the year. The psalm is also an expression of our love for God, which is "better than life", and articulated our desire to praise and bless Him joyfully. Rejoicing "in the shadow of your wings" is a way of expressing God's protective care for us.

The reading from Paul is a little more difficult. It reflects the belief of the early Christians present also in other writings that the second coming of Christ was imminent, a mistaken expectation. The foundation for Christian hopes for the hereafter do remain the same for our own day: Jesus has been raised from death, and we shall come to share his risen life. The how of this remains in the mind and heart of God. Today's Gospel presents another of Jesus' parables which Matthew locates during the final week of his life. It is found only in Matthew, and perhaps his own composition. The basic theme is clearly announced in the Gospel acclamation: "Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming." This is also the conclusion of the parable: "So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour."

The story line of the parable reflects a wedding tradition very different from ours. The bridesmaids wait at the family house of the bride for the arrival of the bridegroom. Their role is to go out and welcome the bridegroom when he comes, and then with burning torches (rather than lamps) accompany bride and groom to the latter's house for the marriage party, celebrated with the guests already there. Five of the young women have failed to make provision for a possible delay and, on realising their predicament, have gone in search of more oil (even at midnight) and so are absent when the bridegroom finally arrives. They cannot fulfil their role and miss out on the celebration.

The original parable has now become an allegory addressing the life of the Church as it awaits the coming of the Lord, the bridegroom, at the end, the parousia. Some church members are fervent, some less so. Matthew has referred to this in the parable of the weeds and wheat (13:36-43) and the parable of the dragnet (13:47-50). Some are ready for his coming, some are not.

So the question for us today is: where do we stand? Are we living according to the values and teaching of Jesus or not? Are we prepared to welcome him when he comes?

Winstanley SDB , Fr. Michael T. “Sunday Reflection - 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year A).” *Salesians of Don Bosco UK*, 2 Nov. 2026, https://www.salesians.org.uk/news/2026/11/sunday-reflection-32nd-sunday-of-ordinary-time-year-a. Accessed 6 Nov. 2026.