

## SUNDAY OFFERING

February 22 collection: \$1,220.00

*So far we collect these donations for the new central heating:*

- \$3,100.00 by the Burns Family
- \$3,000.00 Anonymous
- \$2,000.00 by the Poulin Family
- \$2,000.00 by Deslauriers Family
- \$1,500.00 from Comitato Santa Maria Assunta
- \$1,500.00 By Frank and Elizabeth Campion
- \$1,500.00 by Oehring Family
- \$1,000.00 by the Duong Family
- \$1,000.00 by the Dyson Family
- \$1,000.00 by Robert Clarkson
- \$1,000.00 by Frank and Sharon Marotta
- \$1,000.00 by the Policella Family
- \$1,000.00 From Casa Dante
- \$1,000.00 by father Raymond and Family
- \$1,000.00 in Memory of John P. Mancuso
- \$1,000.00 in memory of Dennise Stelmaschuk
- \$1,000.00 by Ramundo Family
- \$1,000.00 By Raymond and Rita DiMartile
- \$1000.00 By Mottola Family
- \$1,000.00 By Family Filippo Fraraccio
- \$1,000.00 In memory of Paul Rocca
- Other offering: \$2,070.00

Total: **\$30,570.00**

**The name of this families and the ones who will donate at least \$1,000.00 will be written at the church entrance. Many thanks to them and the future donors.**

**Final expenses: \$201,162.60 Still to pay: \$170,592.6**

## Pasta Dinner at St. Mary Welland

Tuesday March 3, 2026

### Take out

(From 3:00pm to 5:00pm)

Ravioli with Sauce and Meatballs: \$16.00

### Available

Pasta and meatballs: \$14.00

12 meatball and Sauce: \$14.00

12 meatballs No Sauce: \$13.00

Can of Sauce: \$ 8.00

Ordering ahead will help us all call:  
289.969.7104 or 905.834.3143  
Or e-mail to

### Dine - in

(From 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm)

Ravioli with sauce and Meatball Salad & roll \$17.00

\* Gluten free available with prior notification

\* Cash payment at the door.

\* Exact payment will be very appreciated

To order [Ldimario55@hotmail.com](mailto:Ldimario55@hotmail.com)  
[stmarywelland@yahoo.ca](mailto:stmarywelland@yahoo.ca)

Please state the order and the time for pick up or dine in

## Daylight Saving Time Begins



Sunday, March 8, 2026  
At 2 AM, clocks move forward 1 hour



Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 8, 2026 at 2:00am (clocks "spring forward" to 3:00am) Remember to update manual clocks, including car and kitchen appliances, before going to bed Saturday night to avoid being late on Sunday. It's also a good time to change the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.

## Message of Pope Leo XIV for Lent 2026

The 2026 Message of Pope Leo XIV for Lent is titled "**Listening and Fasting: Lent as a Time of Conversion.**"

In his message, the Holy Father writes: "Lent is a time in which the Church, guided by a sense of maternal care, invites us to place the mystery of God back in the center of our lives, in order to find renewal in our faith and keep our hearts from being consumed by the anxieties and distractions of daily life." [Read the entire message on the Vatican website.](#)



Parish Established 1910 Church Blessed 1927

# March 1, 2026: 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT

"He was transfigured before them and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him"



# St. Mary R. C. Parish

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## PARISH STAFF:

PASTOR: FR. DANIELE BERTOLDI, CFIC

BOOK KEEPER: MS. DEANNE MACDONALD

PASTA NIGHT AND HALL RESPONSIBLE: 289.969.7104

Parish Dinner - every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, Hall

OFFICE HOURS: THURSDAY: 9:30 AM - 3:00PM

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

SATURDAY 5:00 PM (ENGLISH)

SUNDAY 9:00 AM (ITALIAN)

11:00 AM (ENGLISH)

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY 8:00 AM

FRIDAY 9:30 AM

DEVOTIONS : (PLEASE CHECK BULLETIN)

ROSARY - PRAYED ON WEEK DAYS BEFORE MASS.

\* EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: EVERY FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH AT 8:30AM

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION :

TUESDAY TO THURSDAY AT 7:00 AM, FRIDAY AT 8:30

SATURDAY AT 4:00 PM (ANY OTHER TIME, PLEASE CALL.)

## SACRAMENT OF THE ANNOINTMENT OF THE SICK

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST DURING SERIOUS ILLNESS OR BEFORE SURGERY.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: BY APPOINTMENT.**

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

PRE-MARRIAGE CLASSES ARE MANDATORY.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

For more information please call the parish office.

## Catholic Schools:

Sisters of the Sacred Heart (Elementary School) Tel: 905-732-4542

St. Mary Catholic Elementary School Tel: 905-734-7326

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# MASS Intentions

**February 28 Saturday 5:00 pm**

**Rose Addario**

**March 1<sup>st</sup> 2nd Sunday of Lent**

**9:00 am Maria Scavello**

**11:00am For all the Parishioners**

**March 3 Tuesday 8:00 am**

**Fred Bassi**

**March 4 Wednesday 8:00 am**

**Tony Bonfiglio**

**March 5 Thursday 8:00 am**

**Pat Ramundo**

**March 6 Friday 9:30 am**

**Caterina Mammoliti**

**March 7 Saturday 5:00 pm**

**Michele e Domenicangela Battista**



## THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

On Saturday, March 21, 2026, in every parish church across the diocese a priest will be available from 10:00am – 2:00pm to hear individual confessions. There will also be Eucharistic Adoration during this time. No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance, which assists us in spiritual discipline as we turn away from sin and open our hearts to reconciliation and healing; or you can also simply come to pray before the Lord.

## Lift Jesus Higher Rally -

Saturday March 14/2026 - 9 am - 5:30 pm.

Metro Convention Centre, North Building, 255 Front Street W

\$49 Adult Rally. \$25 Youth ages 13-18 Simultaneous event

For tickets and information, visit [Home - Lift Jesus Higher Rally \(LJHR\)](#)

**Friday, March 6, 2026**  
at St. Mary R. C. Parish, cor. Hellems Ave. & Griffith St., Welland ON

## First Friday Devotion

9:00 am Rosary 9:30 am Mass 10:00 am-12:00 pm Adoration

Our Lord made twelve promises to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque regarding those who practice the Nine First Fridays and have a deep devotion to His Sacred Heart.

**Fourth Promise:**  
*I will be their strenght during life, and above all during death.*

**First Friday Requirements:**  
On each First Friday for nine consecutive months with the intention of making reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus...

1. Attend Holy Mass
2. Receive Communion
3. Go to Confession




**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**  
February 18- March 29

## HELP SAVE LIVES IN NIAGARA!

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray and fast for an end to abortion!

Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

With God's help, here are the proven results in 30 coordinated campaigns:

- Over **26,000** saved babies
- More than **180** closed facilities
- More than **275** converted workers



SIGN UP FOR VIGIL HOURS

Here's how to take part in 40 Days for Life in our community:

**Vigil location:** The public sidewalk outside the Niagara Falls Hospital, 5546 Portage Rd, Niagara Falls.

**Vigil hours:** 8 am - 8 pm daily

**Local contact:**

Angela 905-931-0363

Annette 905-325-1251

Email inquiries: [actionforlife@outlook.com](mailto:actionforlife@outlook.com)

Learn more ... get involved ... and sign up for prayer times by visiting our campaign at the web address shown below!

[www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com)



## Popes' Prayer march intention: For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



## World Day of Prayer 2026

### Journée mondiale de la prière 2026

"I Will Give You Rest: Come"

« Je vous procurerai le repos. Venez »

Matthew 11:28-30



Mattieu 11, 28-30

World Day of Prayer (WDP) is traditionally observed on the first Friday of March, this year march 6.

World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement which brings Christians of many traditions together to observe a common day of prayer each year. [World Day of Prayer website](http://WorldDayofPrayer.net/index.html): <https://worlddayofprayer.net/index.html>

## EVERY LENTEN FRIDAY

**10— Noon**

**Eucharistic adoration ( if there are not funerals).**



## Way of the Cross at

**6:00 p.m.**



Here is the link to the Lenten issue of the Vineyard. <https://www.saintcd.com/diocesan-directory/the-vineyard>

## PARISH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you are unable to attend Mass for health reasons, and would like to assist us financially, please use our donation e-transfer email:

**[stmarywelland@gmail.com](mailto:stmarywelland@gmail.com)**

Do not enter a security password as the funds will be directly deposited into the bank.



## METANOIA

( a 10 Videos Course based on Jesus and our answer to him)

**On Sundays at 10.10 am (30 minutes video) in the Church hall**

**March 1, March 8, March 15, March 22**

**April 12, April 19, April 26,**

**May 17, May 24, May 31**

April Metanoia means conversion, but it is much more than that. It means to change, to repent, to turn, to think differently. Metanoia is an ongoing process. As Christians we are to live a life of metanoia. In the very beginning of Mark's Gospel Jesus says, "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the Gospel." (Mk. 1:15) The word "repent" in Greek has the root "metanoia." At the very beginning of the Scriptures, Jesus is inviting us to metanoia. The purpose of this series is to assist the viewer in this ongoing metanoia. I believe Jesus invites everyone to a deeper more profound conversion - a metanoia - that moves us from *something* to *someone*, as metanoia ultimately turns us to Jesus. Most people understand the word "conversion" to mean the act of converting from one religion to another, or a significant and powerful event, a *conversion experience*, that causes a person to grow deeper in their faith. But conversion is for everyone at all times. As you walk through this series, I will continually be praying that you may come to understand how everyone is in constant need of metanoia and that this truth is a source of hope and encouragement. I pray that we all might continually experience this metanoia and seek the transformative grace of the Holy Spirit.