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Office Hours

Monday Closed

Tuesday to Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Parish Groups

Choir Groups

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

ENGLISH Saturday 5:00 p.m.

ITALIAN Sunday 9:00 a.m.

ENGLISH Sunday 10:30 a.m.

ENGLISH Sunday 12:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday & Friday 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call the office in emergency or serious illness.

BAPTISMS

Please contact the Parish Office for an appointment.

MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least 12 months in advance.

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

Please call the Parish Office.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

RESOURCE CENTRE/GIFT SHOP

Open for 30 minutes after each weekend Mass.

stjwrc@stjw.ca

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: HAVING THE SPIRIT ALIVE IN YOU

They laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:17)

Philip was having great success in Samaria. As the result of his preaching and ministry, many Samaritans came to believe in the Lord. Not only that, but unclean spirits were being routed and people were being healed of all kinds of afflictions. Crowds of people were being baptized into Jesus' death and resurrection and were experiencing the joy of their redemption.

So why did the apostles in Jerusalem even bother to send Peter and John to Samaria? What more could the people possibly need?

The Holy Spirit, that's what! Just as he had made all the difference for the apostles on the day of Pentecost, so did he make all the difference for the people of Samaria—and for us.

What is that difference? Here are some examples.

It is clearly amazing to witness a miraculous healing as the Samaritans did—or even to receive one yourself as some of the Samaritans did. But when the Spirit comes to dwell in you, he can bring healing to your wounded memories and free you from lifelong patterns of sin and guilt and shame.

It's a good thing to be able to memorize prayers or passages from Scripture. But it's even more wonderful to have the Spirit alive in you, breathing new life and joy into your heart through these prayers and passages and giving you new insights into his love.

It's one thing to muster what strength you have to fight sin, but it's another thing altogether to experience the indwelling Spirit giving you his own grace to say no to temptation and keeping your faith alive in times of difficulty.

The truth is, we need the Holy Spirit to renew our minds, to fill our hearts, and to keep us connected to Jesus.

Pentecost is just two weeks away. What do you need the Holy Spirit to do in you?

"Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of your faithful. Come, fill my heart!"

MASS READINGS

First Reading: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel: John 14:15-21

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 14 May, 9:00 AM (Italian)

Thanksgiving to the Madonna

Sunday 14 May, 10:30 AM

For all Parishioners

Sunday 14 May, 12:00 PM

Birthday Blessings for Ailean Gonzales

Tuesday 16 May, 7:00 PM

Thanksgiving for Luvino Vergara

Wednesday 17 May, 7:00 PM

+ Christopher Malatesta

Thursday 18 May, 9:00 AM

+ Deceased Members of the Benedetto Family

Friday 19 May, 7:00 PM

+ Teresa Moura,

+ Deceased Members of the Bocchicchio

Family,

+ Maria Teresa Chiara Iozzo,

+ Angela Puopolo,

+ Rey Torres,

Healing of Moonyen Piosca,

Thanksgiving to Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Saturday 20 May, 9:00 AM

+ Joseph Nguyen

Saturday 20 May, 5:00 PM

+ Pietro Mirenzi

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to our little ones celebrating their First Holy Communion this weekend and the following weekend, together with their families and friends! May God, who brought you to this special day, continue to direct your life in his perfect way and be the centre of your lives. Thank you to the hardworking teachers and volunteers who gave their time to prepare the children for this special day.

CONFIRMATION REMINDER

Our Confirmation ceremonies this year will be on **Saturday 27 May 2023 at 10:00 AM** for candidates from Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic School & Public Schools, and on **Sunday 28 May 2023 at 3:00 PM** for candidates from St. Joseph the Worker Catholic School. Please be at the church no later than an hour before the mass starts. There will be a Confirmation rehearsal in the church on **Tuesday 16 May at 7:00 PM** for Parents, Confirmandi, and Sponsors.

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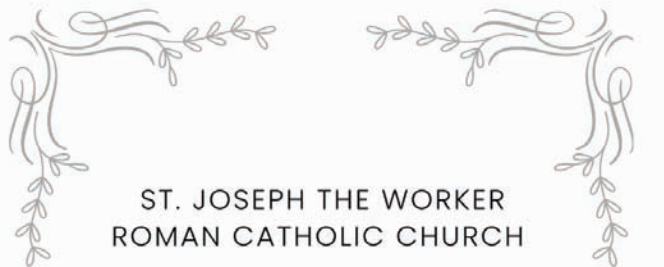
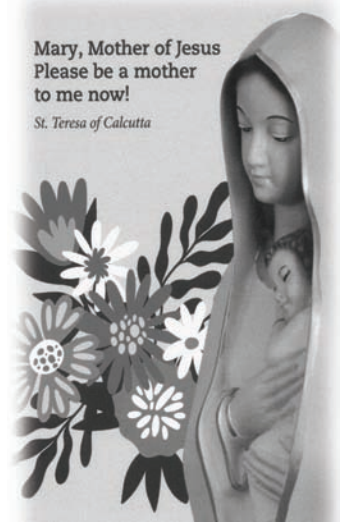
FR. TERRY MCKENNA'S 50TH PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARY

Join us to celebrate Fr. Terry McKenna as he celebrates his 50th anniversary as a priest on Thursday, May 25, 2023. Fr. Terry will be celebrating our morning Mass at 9 am, and then we will proceed downstairs to have some social time with our senior group. A hearty felicitation to Fr. Terry!

Congratulations

Happy Mother's Day!

May the Blessed Virgin Mary bless all women as you work on making the world a better place, cooperating with God just like Mary did.



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40th Anniversary Gala 50/50 Draw

Grand Prize Draw: September 29th 2023
Early Bird Draw: \$500 on June 24th 2023
Early Bird Draw: \$500 on September 2nd 2023

Tickets Available in the Parish Office



STREET PATROL

Our upcoming trip to Street Patrol is on Saturday, May 20, 2022. We will meet downstairs in the Church Kitchen at 9:30am to make meal packages before we head downtown in the days leading up to our deliveries to the needy individuals downtown, we welcome the following donations, which can be dropped off at the Church Office:

- Food items such as sliced bread, deli meat, sliced cheese, juice boxes and peanut-free granola bars
- Gift Cards to shop at Walmart, No Frills, McDonalds, and Tim Hortons.
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