

Epiphany of the Lord & Baptism of the Lord

May our Lord Bless you and your families

St. John the Evangelist - Waubaushene
St. Mary of the Assumption - Victoria Harbour
St. Louis Mission - Mt. St. Louis Louis

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Office Hours: Sundays 8 a.m. – 2 p.m./Wednesdays 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Sunday Masses: Saturday 5:00 p.m. St. John's Church
Sunday 9:00 a.m. St. Louis Church
Sunday 10:30 a.m. St. Mary's Church

Weekday Masses:

St. Mary's-Wednesday-10:00 a.m., Friday-10:00 a.m.

Websites

St. John's: <https://stjohntheevangelistwa.archtoronto.org>

St. Mary's: <https://stmarysvi.archtoronto.org>

St. Louis: <https://stlouisvi.archtoronto.org>

Confession: before or after Mass or by appointment
Baptism, Marriage, Sacrament of the Sick: Please call the Rectory

Items in the bulletin by Wednesday, please

Cemeteries: St. Louis-705-739-5868, St. Mary's-705-543-1789, St. John's-Sanderson's-705-326-6131
St. Antoine Daniel Catholic Elementary School - Victoria Harbour - 705-534-3391
St. Theresa's Catholic High School – Midland - 705-526-1311

MASS INTENTIONS – January 3rd to January 16th, 2026

Epiphany of the Lord:

Sat. Jan. 3rd - St. John's – 5:00 pm – For the descendants of Philip & Beatrice Belanger
Sun. Jan. 4th - St. Louis – 9:00 am – Stephen Deneau requested by the Deneau & Borrow Families
Sun. Jan. 4th – St. Mary's – 10:30 am – For the Parishioners
Wed. Jan. 7th – St. Mary's – 10:00 am – available
Fri. Jan. 9th – St. Mary's – 10:00 am - available

Baptism of the Lord:

Sat. Jan. 10th – St. John's – 5:00 pm – Frank & Brian Peck requested by Donna Peck
Sun. Jan. 11th – St. Louis – 9:00 am – For the Parishioners
Sun. Jan. 11th – St. Mary's – 10:30 am - available
Wed. Jan. 14th - St. Mary's – 10:00 am - available
Fri. Jan. 16th – St. Mary's – 10:00 am - available

Masses for the Deceased or for Special Intentions - If you would like a Mass celebrated for your loved one or friend or parish member please use your own envelope or the envelopes at the back of the church. The stipend is \$20.00 for announced masses and \$10.00 for unannounced.
If you require a Mass Card please leave a message at the office (705-538-2353).

Sanctuary Lamp Candle - If would like to donate the Sanctuary Lamp Candle for a week in honour of a loved one you may do so by making a donation of \$10.00 or more, and their name will be put in the bulletin. Just ask me after mass, or drop an envelope, provided at the back of the church, in the collection with the name of your loved one. - *Fr. John*

Sanctuary Candle:

St. John's – available
St. Mary's – available
St. Louis – available

Building Fund - December: St. John's- \$370.00, St. Mary's- \$686.00, St. Louis- \$547.00.
This includes Pre-Authorized Giving. Thank you.

Offertory (Dec. 20th/21st): St. John's- \$572.75, St. Mary's- \$988.00, St. Louis- \$413.00.
This includes Pre-Authorized Giving. Thank you.

Christmas: St. John's- \$1,712.60, St. Mary's- \$2,429.00, St. Louis- \$676.50. Thank you.

Offertory (Dec. 27th/28th): St. John's- \$579.75, St. Mary's- \$1,171.00, St. Louis- \$333.00.
This includes Pre-Authorized Giving. Thank you.

New Year's Day Offering – Dec. 31st/Jan. 1st

Building Fund – January 10th/11th

Happy New Year from Fr. Bill, Stephanie and myself. We really appreciate your generosity through your best wishes and gifts this Christmas. I especially would like to thank all of those who were most generous with their time and financial support this year in all of our churches. A special thank you goes out to St. Mary's Women of Faith, Parishioners of St. Louis, Knights of Columbus, St. Vincent de Paul, our Altar servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, sacristans, ushers, children's liturgy coordinators, choirs, Cemetery Boards and Finance Council. Thank you to all those who decorated our churches, and all of the rest of the volunteers, including those who look after and clean our churches. Due to COVID-19 and stormy weather the past few years attendance at these masses had diminished. It was nice to see the return of so many for the Christmas celebrations at all of the churches. All the best for a blessed 2026. ~Fr. John

Thank you to Victoria Harbour Legion for your generous donation of \$1,000.00 to **St. Mary's Church**. We are always very grateful for this donation, as it helps with the maintenance of the church. Don't forget to support their Sunday morning breakfasts once a month!

Thank you to the Parishioners of St. Louis for the donation of \$750.00 to **St. Louis Church**. Their many fundraisers have made this donation possible. The winter of 2024/2025 they also covered the cost of snow removal for **St. Louis Church**.

Once again **thank you** to the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** members for their dedication to this endeavour. Many people need assistance on a one time basis and some on an ongoing basis. The demands for this service have greatly increased over the past few years. Your organization and the dedication shown by the volunteers is always above and beyond. This year along with the many other tasks performed by the SVDP members they were able to once again apply for the **ShareLife Food Security Grant** and received a cheque for **\$10,000** from **ShareLife**. This shows our donations made locally to ShareLife are at work in our own community. We appreciate all you do for the community and all of the community support given to **SVDP**. The Food Security Grant, the Giving Tree and the generosity of the community made it possible for the distribution of Christmas Hamper items to 235 individuals with approximately 70 of these individuals being under 18 years of age. This is all over and above the weekly food bank distributions. We are very fortunate to have this organization in our community.

St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank all who donate on a regular basis, all who donated to the Giving Tree and to ShareLife for the Food Security Grant of \$10,000. All of this makes it possible to serve our community and with your **ongoing** donations our work will continue.

St. John's –

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament & Eucharistic Adoration for Vocations takes place at St. Mary's the 1st Friday of the month after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

St. Mary's Women of Faith will be Praying the Rosary after Mass the 1st Sunday of each month.

The **Saint Vincent de Paul Food Bank** serves all Tay Township residents. If in need call 705-956-0022. We are open Wednesdays & Fridays from 10-11:30 in the basement of St. Mary's Church, Victoria Harbour to register for assistance or pick up your food items. We thank our parishioners for their continued support. Your monetary donations and donations of food items are always much appreciated.

Pre-Authorized Giving Plan - Many parishes in our Diocese are offering this plan as a convenience for their parishioners. We are offering it at the request of several of our parishioners. Some find it easier to support their church by having their donation automatically withdrawn from their bank account on the 20th of each month. This also ensures the ongoing support of our church when they are away. Many find this method more convenient as many of us are accustomed to paying our utilities in this manner. You will still have the option of placing your envelopes in the collection basket, especially for special collections. If you are interested in giving in this way there are brochures at the back of the church. To enroll, you must submit the form, in the brochure with your void cheque, before the 10th of the first month in order for your deduction to begin on the 20th of the same month.

Baptisms: A family requesting a baptism is expected to be attending Mass on a regular basis in one of our churches. Please speak to Fr. John after Mass to discuss the Sacrament.

Pastoral References: I am happy to provide Pastoral Reference Letters for those living in the boundaries of our churches and are applying for teaching positions within the Catholic system. It is expected that those seeking a teaching position in the Catholic system are living according to the teachings of the Catholic Church, particularly as it pertains to marriage and that they are practicing their faith by regular attendance at Sunday Mass and being involved in the life of the parish.

~ Fr. John