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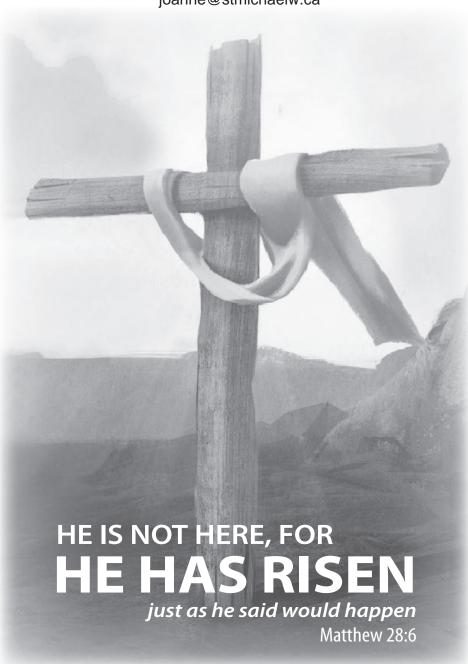
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April 3 – 6, 2018

Tuesday

No Reconciliations 6:30pm Rosarv

7:00pm +William Arnold - Estate

> +Special Intentions of All Persons Who Have Received Prayer Shawls – Prayer Shawl Ministry

Wednesday

12:15pm +Harry Brown – Linda Guacci

Thursday

12:15pm +Kurt Dahl - Linda Guacci

Friday

8:00am

Saturday

5:00pm +Ralph Schnarr – Bernice & Family

> +Maria Jakab-Bak - Glenn & Rosanna Davis & Family

+Biastika Febbyancha – Debra Maswi

Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 4.32-35 1 John 5.1-6 John 20.19-31



PARISH NEWS

Sunday Offerings

March 25 - \$7,637.00 PAG - \$783.00

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Building Fund Collection and Finance Update

Our Annual Financial Report will be coming out soon, but in anticipation of the Building Fund envelope in your package scheduled for next weekend, an update is in order. Last year we took on the necessary parking lot project which required the parish to take on a loan of about \$250,000. This was added to a \$60,000 loan we still had on the books from previous renovations. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to pay down \$40,000 this past year on our obligations, leaving us with a current combined debt of about \$270,000. Assuming there are no unforeseen building expenses this coming year, any donations that you choose to direct to our Building Fund in 2018 will be earmarked for debt reduction. We thank you in advance of the April 8th Building Fund envelope for any amount you may be able to offer - every little bit helps to get us closer to freedom from debt!

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, April 7

Katie Kuepfer, Gabriel Pregeli, Reney 5:00pm:

Puthran

Sunday, April 8

9:00am: Marcus, Kieran & Quinn Meyer

11:00am: Ryan Leamen, Carole Mutuku,

Charlotte Tapuska

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday, April 7

5:00pm: * Stefan Pregelj

1 Tom Connor 2 Kathleen McCauley

Sunday, April 8 9:00am: * Marty Bell

1 Linda Guacci 2 Sylvia Daudu

11:00am: * Ralph Stacey

1 Marvellous Onuma-Kalu 2 Herli Liem

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Saturday, April 7

5:00pm: Mike Lahn, Ken Adams,

Joan Fernandez, Paul Gladding

Sunday, April 8

9:00am: Betty Lou Borho, Michelle Borho-Harris,

Tony & Pam De Leo

11:00am: Rohan & Jacintha Jayasundera,

Lorna Kennedy, Doug Haennel, Dorothy Krauskopf, Jeannie Krulicki

"Over 18" is a powerful documentary by a young Canadian filmmaker, Jared Brock, about the growing epidemic of pornography exposure, especially for our children and youth. It educates us on the prevalence & accessibility pornography on the internet - especially for children not looking for it.

"Over 18" goes further and proposes solutions including lobbying the Canadian government to mandate that adult websites install meaningful age verification systems so that no one under the age of 18 can access their highly addictive material. This new law would help protect our children online and provide an easy and effective way for parents and caregivers to prevent them from being exposed to pornography.

Our children are being harmed - come and find out more on Wednesday, April 18th at 7:00pm in the Parish Centre.



As a non-traditional form of spirituality, Taizé ecumenical worship is particularly popular with busy people. Music is its foundation. At the heart of this prayer service are Scripture readings surrounded by silence and beautiful music that

can help one engage in meditative prayer. Join us to pray for world respect, justice and peace on Sunday, April 22nd at 7:30pm here at St. Michael's.

Blessed are those who come in the Name of the Lord! Blessed are they who live their lives in the Name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director at 905-528-7988 x2246 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Thank you to the parish for supporting the St. Michael's Refugee Fund. The St. Michael's Refugee Program changes lives. When families arrive, they express their gratitude to the parish over and over

again for enabling them to come to a safe, peaceful country and be reunited with their family members. When they arrive, there are often a few necessities not yet in place. Family 1: An Iraqi family, Karam, his wife Reem and their 3 year old daughter arrived on Valentine's Day and are living with family in Cambridge until they can find an affordable apartment. They will need a Queen Bed, a single bed, dressers, living room furniture suitable for a small space (excellent condition please). Toys and books for their daughter would be appreciated as well. Family 2: Nicholas, his wife Eugenie and their two daughters arrived from Malawi on March 20th and are still feeling the cold. They are so grateful to be here in Canada. As they settle into their Kitchener home, there are a few things still needed: Love Seat or Sofa for their Living Room and 2 dressers. Winter Coats and warm clothes (Excellent condition please) - for Dad - XL; for Mom XL; for daughter (late teens) Women's XL; for daughter (early teens) - Women's M. Winter boots: Men's 11, Women's 8, 10, 12. If you are able to donate any items or would like to help in other ways, please call Diane at 519-616-2227.



Grief Support Group - St. Michael's is offering a 6 week grief support program to assist people after the death of a loved one or a significant This program follows the process

developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. The sessions will be held April 25 - May 30, on Wednesday evenings, from 7-8:30pm at St. Michael's. There is no fee but you must register by April 10th. To register, or for more information, please contact the parish office.

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites everyone to attend the Mini-Retreat & Grocery Shower (no meat) to be held Saturday, April 14th at 10:45am at the Monastery. Mass will be celebrated preceded by the Rosary. The Retreat Master will be Reverend Ron Voisin.

St. Joseph's Craft & Vendor Sale – Sat. April 14th – 9:30am to 12:30pm. Hand-made Crafts, Home Business Products & Over 20 vendors! Knit/crochet, jewelry, woodcrafts, sewing, artwork & paper crafts, décor & religious articles, food items & baking. See Facebook "Craft & Vendor Sale - St. Joseph Church" or call Cathy 519-578-0785.

St. Francis of Assisi Annual Card Party Join us for an afternoon of fun at the annual Card Party, Wednesday, April 18th Lunch at 1pm, tickets are \$15 from 1-4pm. and can be purchased at the St. Francis Parish Office. Proceeds will be donated to Hospice-Palliative Care.

CURSILLO WEEKENDS Are you seeking Happiness, Peace, Joy, Friendship, Human and Spiritual Development and wish to become the person Jesus wants you to be? Then the Cursillo in Christianity Weekend is for you: Prayer, Great Food, Nice Accommodations and Wonderful Leaders.

A three-day Cursillo weekend, which is a short review of Christianity, is designed to help you on that journey. Beginning on Thursday night and ending Sunday afternoon, through a series of talks by lay people and clergy, and the sacraments, you will get to take a closer look at yourself, God, and others. If you are 19 years of age or older, and are open to a closer relationship with our God and Saviour, consider a Cursillo weekend:

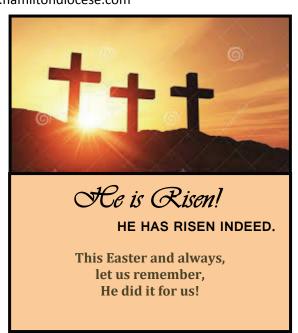
- Men's April 12 to April 15
- Women's April 26 to April 29

See cursillohamilton.org, or hamiltondiocese.com (programs and workshops) or contact:

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- Marg marg.weber@sympatico.ca 519-747-5937
- Dan dmbrown269@gmail.com 519-570-4105
- Fr. Ray rayreitzelcr@live.com 519-725-1445

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? On Sunday, June 10, 2018, at 1:30 pm, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). Please see the poster at the main entrance of the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com



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