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YEAR OF FAITH 2012
2013

In his Apostolic Letter, *"Porta Fidei"*, Pope Benedict XVI announced a *YEAR OF FAITH* which began on October 11, 2012, the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. The Year of Faith will end on the Solemnity of Christ the King, November 24, 2013. Pope Benedict hopes that the Year of Faith will "help Catholics appreciate the gift of Faith, deepen their relationship with God and strengthen their common faith with others." This year of Faith is meant to turn us once again to our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, to rediscover our faith and to encourage us to inspire others. Catholics throughout the world and in the Diocese of Hamilton are being given a special opportunity to be renewed in faith, hope and love.

"Rediscovering the Joy" is the underlying theme of the year of Faith. There are six themes that will be promoted in the Year of Faith: The Faith We Believe (Focus on the Creed) October-November; The Faith we Live (Focus on Faith in Action), December-January; The Faith We profess (Focus on Easter) February-March, 2013; The Faith We Celebrate (Focus on Sacraments) April-June, 2013; The Faith We Savor (Focus on Rest & Reflection) July-August, The Faith We Share (Focus on Evangelization) September-November, 2013.

Be sure to get a copy of the Diocesan Booklet "The Faith We Believe - Unpacking the Creed".



WELCOME TO THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING

We welcome our parishioners and visitors of the Cathedral of Christ the King.



(8:00 a.m. in the Marian Chapel)

Monday, February 18	Pavao Family
Tuesday, February 19	Mrs. Cech
Wednesday, February 20	E. Picone
Thursday, February 21	Elvira Piccini
Friday, February 22	Helen Dillon Intention Dave Boutillier Intention Norma Boutillier
Saturday – 5:00 p.m.	Georgio Cotroneo Ava Frances Azzopardi Jacob Paul Azzopardi Joseph Pappachan Sunny Thomas Sebastian

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Marian Chapel at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 24. Please be sure to mark your calendars.

RETRouvaille

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? Is your marriage or that of a relative or friend heading for divorce? Do you know how to save that marriage? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is designed to help troubled marriages regain their health. It helps spouses re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful in saving hurting marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples that have already separated or divorced. To register for the weekend of March 15-17, 2013 in Niagara Falls, please call (905) 664-5212 or email retrouvaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Francis Trzupsek
Tuesday	Rev. Anthony Ciavarrro
Wednesday	Lay Parish Ministers
Thursday	Rev. Drago Gacnik (S.D.B.)
Friday	Rev. Paul Boucher
Saturday	Rev. Jim Link (C.R.)

PICTORIAL EXHIBIT: EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD

Discover the mystery, the beauty and the riches of the Eucharist . . . here at the Cathedral auditorium on Friday, March 15 from 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.; Saturday, March 16 from 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 17 from 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. Come and see displays for over 100 Church-approved Eucharistic miracles. If you are able to volunteer an hour or two, please call the parish office at (905) 522-5744.

First Sunday of Lent February 17, 2013

Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13



“Test” is a four-letter word. Spelling tests, driving tests, SATs, all bring a knot to the stomach. Tests are something we would rather forgo, but also something we must undergo. Lent, too, is a four-letter word and is also a kind of test, for the only way to Easter is to *pass* through Lent. Today’s reading from Deuteronomy commends Israel for its faith in the God who saves. No matter the tribulation, Israel’s faith enables it to persevere. This faith/test theme also appears in the reading from Romans. Paul boldly asserts that faith in Christ will see the believer through any trial. The Gospel passage makes it clear that even Jesus was tested. It describes a test, a struggle between good and evil that dramatically demonstrates Jesus’ faith in the power of God’s life in him. This power enables him to overcome temptation. This power is with all of us who celebrate the test of Lent, a power enabling us to pass with flying colors.

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YEAR OF FAITH: THE FAITH WE PROFESS

As we begin the Season of Lent, the focus of our Year of Faith Celebration is on **The Faith We Profess**. During the Season of Lent, all the faithful are encouraged to prepare themselves to celebrate the Paschal Mystery by remembering their Baptism and by penitential practices. One of the ways we will do this is by listening to the Scripture Readings which have been traditionally used with those preparing for Easter Baptism. Even though we are in Year C of the Sunday Lectionary Cycle, we will listen to readings assigned for the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent in Year A. From John’s Gospel, we will listen to the story of the Samaritan Woman at the Well, the Man Born Blind and the Raising of Lazarus. In these beautiful stories, we will come to know Jesus Christ as the Living Water, the Light of the World, and the Resurrection and the Life.

DENNINGER’S RECEIPTS

Please continue to collect your Denninger’s receipts and drop off in the collection basket. These receipts will assist us in receiving gift donations for our annual Parish Bazaar. Thanks to our parishioners for your continued support to the Cathedral of Christ the King.



DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Ash Wednesday 2013

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ:

Throughout Lent we are encouraged to renew our faith in God, to deepen our knowledge and love for Jesus Christ, and to live a Spirit-filled life by sharing generous gifts of time, talent and treasure.

This time of conversion and renewal of life begins on Ash Wednesday. The priest or minister marks our forehead with ashes saying either: *Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return*; or, *Repent, and believe the Gospel*. Both are life-changing invitations. If we recall that we are going to die, then how do we choose to live? If we accept that we sin, then how are we saved?

In this Year of Faith, we strive to understand what we profess so that when we renew our baptismal promises at Easter, we will do so with fresh enthusiasm and joy! We share that enthusiasm with catechumens – men and women who choose to follow Jesus Christ as Catholics – who will be Baptized, Confirmed, and receive First Eucharist with us at the Easter Vigil Mass. Their choice encourages and supports ours!

Lent, then, is all about LIFE lived to the fullest – in love with Christ, listening to His teaching and the teaching of the Church, and caring for others, especially those who are most in need. We “fast” during Lent so that we might focus more intensely on His word and hear more clearly what He wants of us.

Having “fasted” through Lent, we are invited to give some of our “treasures” to those who have less through the Share Lent collection. The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace benefits greatly from this collection and supports development programs around the world, particularly in the Global South. Again this year, I invite you to consider making a contribution of \$1.00 per day (the amount to feed a family for a day) for each of the 40 days of Lent.

In our daily prayer during the Lenten season, let us remember to pray for one another, especially those who are experiencing difficulties and challenges and who need the Lord in special ways. May God bless each one and all of us, *DRAW US* close to Him and to one another, and help us *Rediscover the Joy* of following Him!

Yours sincerely in Jesus Christ and Mary Immaculate,

+*Douglas*, OMI

(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI
Bishop of Hamilton

DR. MOIRA MCQUEEN, LLB., MDiv, PhD

As part of our Year of Faith, Dr. Moira McQueen, Executive Director, Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute, will make a presentation on “Some Current Topics in Bioethics from a Catholic Perspective” at the **Cathedral of Christ The King on Monday, February 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Auditorium.** Dr. McQueen graduated in Law from the University of Glasgow, Scotland, and worked as a lawyer for several years, specializing in family law and juvenile court. After her Master of Divinity Degree from the Faculty of Theology, University of St. Michael’s College, she earned a PhD in moral theology. She has been a professor of moral theology at the Faculty of Theology since 1994 and has written and co-authored several articles and book chapters in bioethics, fundamental ethics, sexual ethics and other areas. Her book, *Bioethics Matters*, was published by Novalis in 2008. Dr. McQueen was appointed Executive Director of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute in 2004. She is consulted regularly by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Often, when a family keeps vigil around a person who is preparing for death, they may notice three interwoven activities. First, the dying person may become more prayerful and reflective than ever before, reviewing life’s journey in gratitude to God, or seeking forgiveness and making amends for wrongs. Second, as death approaches, the need to eat and drink is lessened until even an ice cube brushed against the lips is satisfying. Third, persons who are dying often make plans to give their possessions away, making bequests, handing treasures down, providing for favorite charities. Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving: with these three “pillars” of Lent, we rehearse our death every year in this season, and anticipate the final work we will do in this life. And every year, at the end of our journey, is the joy of Easter and the experience of the victory of Christ over death’s darkness and power. Annually, we remind ourselves that the Christian experiences the same power and presence at the end of life’s journey: Christ to the rescue and the lasting joy of heaven. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Manners are accepted means of behaviour that show care, respect and consideration for others. Good manners make a person more socially acceptable and successful. Parents who take the time to both **teach** and **model** manners to their children help them to have positive life experiences. Teach by example – they are watching us more than they are listening to us!

LENTEN PENANCE CELEBRATION

In preparation for Easter, please join us for our Lenten **Penance Celebration** that will be held on **Wednesday, March 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.**

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