

St. Joseph Parish



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Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Eucharist

Please see schedule inside.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please make arrangements for Baptismal Preparation two months in advance. All baptisms are celebrated on the following dates:

Jan 9/10

May 22/23

Oct 23/24

Feb 13/14

June 26/27

Nov 13/14

No March Baptisms

Aug 14/15

Dec 11/12

April 17/18

Sept 18/19

Sacrament of Marriage

Call office one year prior to desired wedding date. A marriage preparation course and appointments required.

Children's Liturgies (September to June)

Children from J/K to grade 2 (pre First Eucharist age). Children's Liturgy takes place in the Parish Hall during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Eucharist.

Pastoral Council

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519-885-0331 ext 312

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905-528-0138

PENTECOST SUNDAY

LAY MINISTERS for MAY 29 / 30			
	5:00 p.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Lectors	Cathy Brogly Leah Fuller Lilli Schikolenko	Bruce Law Christine Weir Verdi Gough	Adriana Rerecich Christine Rzazewski Bill DiFrancesco
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Pentacost

PASTORAL COUNCIL NEWS

The date for the Annual General Meeting has been set for Tuesday, **June 1** at 7:30 p.m. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Council elections will take place next week. Please take a moment to choose three people who will represent you on council.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS

Ladies mark your calendars and plan to attend the next general meeting on **May 25** at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall. The meeting will open with the Crowning of Mary and a social will follow the meeting. This is the last meeting until September so we hope to see you there.

Join us as The Catholic Women's League is sponsoring their 2nd annual Father's Day Breakfast after the 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday, **June 20**. The cost of the breakfast will be \$8.00 per adult and \$5.00 for children 10 and under. The menu is posted at the entrances of the Church. Come, relax and enjoy our wonderful church community.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH GOLF TOURNAMENT

It is time to start thinking about enjoying some social time with some of your fellow parishioners. We have booked Knollwood Golf Course for Sunday, **June 13th** for our annual golf tournament. The costs for this year's tournament are about the same as last year: \$80 for 18 holes of golf, including a cart and dinner (Italian buffet). Golf only is \$50 and dinner only is \$30. Please consider joining us for a day of fun and friendship. We play a scramble format, where each team chooses which shot to play. Enter your own foursome or allow us to mix and match players. Register at the back of the church after each Mass.

INVITING ALL ST. MARY SECONDARY SCHOOL ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

St. Mary Catholic Secondary School will be celebrating its 40th Anniversary of Catholic Education from May 27 to 30, 2010. For more information check out the website at <http://stmary40thanniversary.webs.com/>

Room in your heart and home?

Make a difference in the life of a child. The Catholic Children's Aid Society will be hosting an information Night on Wednesday, **June 2** from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Society, 735 King St. E. Call: 905-525.2273 to register, visit our website www.hamiltonccas.on.ca

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE NEWS

FAIR TRADE COFFEE TASTE TEST

With almost equal support in the first half of the survey for both the local and the current Toronto supplier, the Social Justice Committee will be making a decision on which supplier to use in future at their May 27 meeting, too late to change for the May 29-30 Coffee Sunday.

The second half of the survey showed strong awareness and support for the whole concept of Fair Trade coffee from whatever source:

- * two-thirds of respondents said they looked for Fair Trade coffee choices at least sometimes when going out for a cup.
- * one fifth already were buying coffee for their home use from a roaster of Fair Trade coffee other than the supplier for the Social Justice Committee's Coffee Sunday sales.
- * many of those surveyed would appreciate more information about the many local places where Fair Trade coffee is offered, whether to drink in a coffee shop or to buy for their home use.

Men's Retreat Opportunity:

BE INSPIRED, BE RENEWED, BE NOURISHED

When? Saturday, June 19th 10 am to 2:30 pm (lunch included)

Where? Resurrection College, Waterloo **Cost?** \$15

To Register or for more info call David Dayer at 905-528-7988 ext. 2226 Presented by: David Dayer (Staff in the Diocesan Office for Ministry, Family and Religious Education)

LEVELS SPRING DANCE

Sponsored by the programs for separated and divorced persons

When? Sat. May 29th at 8:00 pm.

Where? St. Joseph Parish, Hamilton, Herkimer & Locke St. S.

Cost? \$13/person in advance; \$16/person at the door

ALL ARE WELCOME!

For more information, please contact the Office for Ministry, Family and Religious Education (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249.



The Offertory Collection for MAY 15 / 16 was \$6,033.44.
Thank you for your continued generosity.

LITURGIES AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

MONDAY, MAY 24

NO MORNING MASS – Victoria Day Holiday

TUESDAY, MAY 25

8:00 Karen Cimba - Zabel Steve Barrett

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

8:00 Dora Custers Henk & Joanne DeHass

THURSDAY, MAY 27

8:00 Intentions of Mme Startek The Shea Family

FRIDAY, MAY 28

8:00 Ubaldo Mazza Clara Wallman & Family
Mary McGarr Kathleen McGarr & Family

SATURDAY, MAY 29

5:00 Intentions of Joseph McGarr Kathleen McGarr
Intentions of the Uzbalis Family
Ilidia & Tony Botelho

SUNDAY, MAY 30

9:30 For all the people of St Joseph's Parish
11:30 Giuseppe Adile Francesca Adile & Family
Aline & Maitland Banting Peter & Wendy Banting

last time we actually prayed to or addressed the Holy Spirit directly in prayer? And yet we do invoke the Spirit at Mass to come upon the gifts of bread and wine and make them holy. The Spirit comes upon us in all the sacraments to fill what would simply be empty rituals with the grace, power and presence of God. So, in a way, we are constantly being bumped by the Spirit without even being aware of it.

This Sunday, as we celebrate the sending of the Holy Spirit upon the church, let us continue to give God thanks for the many gifts bestowed upon us by the Spirit. It would be beneficial to reflect on the words of the prayer prayed at confirmation: "All-powerful God, Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed yours sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their Helper and Guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen."

Did you know....? The text of the Offertory motet at the 11:30 Mass this weekend comes from the Gospel according to John, when Jesus makes the promise to his followers: "If you love me, keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another...the Spirit of Truth..." This musical setting was composed by Thomas Tallis, a prominent English composer of the 16th century. Tallis was employed for a time at Canterbury Cathedral, but became Gentleman of the Chapel Royal in 1543 where he remained for 42 years, serving four monarchs, Henry VIII, Edward VI, Queen Elizabeth I, and Queen Mary. Somehow he was able to avoid the religious controversies raging at the time, and remained an "unreformed Roman Catholic" until the end of his life.

Thank You!

When the front door of the church was vandalized a month ago, it took weeks to find a reasonably priced supplier and then wait for the door to be fixed. Since our insurance deductible is \$1000, we knew that the expense was going to have to come out of our pockets so-to-speak. I remember feeling a little discouraged at the time, thinking that we seem to take two steps forward in terms of parish finances and then, through no fault of our own, we take a step back. But, then I remembered that someone had told me we have to trust that the Spirit will always give each community the gifts it needs. No sooner did I think this, when Fr. Toby came to me later that day and told me that some unnamed parishioners were walking by the church when he was out landscaping around the sign, and they volunteered to pay for the cost of the repair of the door. All I can say is thank you on behalf of the community. May you be blessed every time someone goes in or out that door.

YOUTH MINISTRY- CAR WASH- Saturday, June 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the church parking lot. Come and join us for this fundraiser car wash / BBQ. **Rain date Sunday, June 27 from 1:30 to 4 p.m.**

A REMINDER that the parish office will be closed for the Victoria Day Holiday on May 24. Have a safe and happy weekend.

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER INTENTIONS This week we ask that you keep the following people and intentions in your prayers: Fr. Adam Voisin, Fr. Philip Cook, All Seminarians, Fr. Ronald Hodara, Fr. Harry Schmuck, and Fr. Charles Scheffer.

Desk Scribbles . . . Pentecost . . . May 23, 2010 . . . Jim Link, C.R.

Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 104; 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

What comes to mind when you think of the Holy Spirit? With the other two persons in the Trinity we have some clear human reference. Most of us have an idea of a father or a son or else we can imagine what Jesus looked like as a man; but the Spirit, what image is evoked? The Christian scriptures refer to the Spirit as a wind or as tongues of fire, or a dove. In the opening chapter of Genesis, the Spirit is described as hovering over the waters bringing order into chaos.

In medieval times, in some of the churches of Europe, they would release white pigeons inside the churches on this feast day. The only problem is that the birds were dropping something on the heads of the parishioners that was more than the Holy Spirit. Elsewhere, someone once had the brilliant idea of dropping bits of burning straw from the ceiling to symbolize tongues of fire descending on the congregation. In theory, the straw was supposed to exhaust itself before it reached the pew level; in practice, the fire that reached the people was more than just a spiritual fire. I think that the image of fire is an apt description of the action of the Spirit who literally *fires* up our faith and puts it into action. Personally, I also like the image of wind, in Hebrew *ruah*, or breath, as a good way to speak of the Spirit. It is the Holy Spirit who gives life to us and our faith.

And also in our lives, we have a sense of what it means when we talk about sports and team spirit or a school and school spirit. It's the sense of community, cooperation, team work and corporate inspiration that drives the team or school and makes them attractive to be around. With the Holy Spirit of God, it is much more different relating personally to this third person of the Trinity. When was the

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