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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:

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| 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

| | | |
|------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Chairperson | Laura Rossiter | 905-546-0781 |
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Vocational Information

If you wish to pursue the possibility of a Religious or Priestly vocation, please feel free to speak with any member of the parish staff or call:

Father Bob Liddy, C.R.
519-885-0331 ext 312
Sister Mary McIntyre, C.S.J.
905-528-0138

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LAY MINISTERS for OCTOBER 30 / 31

| | 5:00 p.m. | 9:30 a.m. | 11:30 a.m. |
|------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Lectors | Sharon Boase John O'Connor Denise Konig | Cameron Nolan Denise Campuzano Bruce Law | Danny Shea Christine Rzazewski-Rodney Gerry Shea |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Margaret Moran Joanne Venzon David O'Connor | Ted Dekker Sandy Mlekuz Lydia Jegeris Therese Gervais | Cam and Betty Howey Diane Shea Jacqueline Horn Bernice Clark |
| Servers | Christian Mattina Solana Mattina Kiera OSullivan Shea | David Rossiter Iszak Illes Jessica Dekker | Claire DePaul Rachel Sampson Michael Mattice |

**THE DATE FOR OUR ANNUAL BAZAAR IS SET
NOVEMBER 20 / 21
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Be sure to plan to attend and if you are canning, or knitting, please set aside some of your handiwork for one of our tables.

Main Draw tickets are now being distributed.

You could win one of 3 prizes - \$500.00, \$300.00 or \$100.00.

Tickets are just one dollar each.

We thank you for your support.

Be sure to check the bulletin boards for a list of area Bazaars that will take place in the next few weeks.

C.W.L. NEWS

CWL General Meeting will be held in the church hall Tuesday, **October 26** at 7:30 p.m. All ladies welcome.

Evening of Reflection. Monday, **November 29** - at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall. All parishioners invited. Guest speakers are Deacon Bill and Molly Callaghan. Come hear their story of their journey in Sandy Lake with the First Nations people. Molly is the author of Come walk a while with us.

Sacrament of Confirmation: There will be a Confirmation team meeting on Monday, **November 15th** at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This meeting is for all Confirmandi and their parents/guardians. We will review the confirmation process and hand out important dates and information. The confirmandi need to be registered. We ask that any outstanding registration forms be brought to this meeting. If you need a registration form or have any questions regarding the confirmation program, please contact Bill DiFrancesco at 905-528-0885.

LEVELS HALLOWEEN DANCE
Sponsored by the programs for separated and divorced persons
When? Saturday, October 30th at 8:00 pm.
Where? St. Joseph Parish, Hamilton, Herkimer & Locke St. S. Prizes for best costume. DJ, Raffles, Buffet
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.

LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS are invited to attend a diocesan workshop. The dates are set for December 4 and November 20, respectively. The facilitators will be Monsignor Murray Kroetsch, Laurie Monique and Sister Kathleen O'Neill. Please contact the parish office for registration forms and more information.

Are you grieving the loss of a relationship through death, divorce, or separation? Do you want a NEW BEGINNING? **NEW BEGINNINGS** helps people of all faiths to discover the deeper meaning in their lives and in their changed circumstances with the help of a trained team of men and women who are divorced, separated and widowed as well. **Where? Mount Mary, Ancaster**

When? Friday Nov. 26th to Sunday Nov. 28th, 2010
Cost? \$175 (includes accommodation, meals and program - flexible payment options available - call for details)

Contact: Anne at the Diocesan Office for Ministry, Family and Religious Education at **905-528-7988 x 2251**.

**FOR CHILDREN WHO DO NOT ATTEND
CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:**

The Religion Home Study Program is a parent-run program that provides religious instruction to Catholic children (Grades 1 to 8) who attend public, private, or home-based schools. For more information please contact Shirley (905-929-6549; shirley.rodriques@sympatico.ca) or Mary Louise Pigott (905-524-2423; mlpigott@cogeco.ca).

There is also a correspondence program run by the diocese: **Family Faith Development in the Home!** Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School. Contact Carol at the **Office for Ministry, Family and Religious Education**, 905-528-7988, ext 2238 or www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information and for registration forms.



The **OFFERTORY** Collection for **OCTOBER 16 / 17 was \$5,349.03.**
Thank you for your continued generosity.

LITURGIES AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:00 Intentions of Benefactors of Congregation of the Resurrection

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

8:00 Louis Babin Louise Remegis
Lidia Lovisa Sue Chorko

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:00 Paul Stanley Kathleen & Joseph McGarr

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

8:00 Frances Karges Sister Michaela Sinclair

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

8:00 Cecilia Farrell Ted & Joan O'Brien

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

5:00 Monica Moran Michael Moran
Elisabeth Braun The Hayes Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

9:30 For all the people of St Joseph's Parish
11:30 Bill Ormond Diana O'Donnell
Anne Patterson Clara Wallman & Family

attitude of entitlement. With little Jack Horner, the Pharisee prayed, "My, oh my, what a good boy am I!" The tax collector stood before God as the "bad guy" who had nothing good to present to God; hence, his trust had to be solely on God's mercy and kindness. And that is where our trust needs to be as well. We need the heart and attitude of the tax collector and the practice of the Pharisee all rolled into one.

WE EXTEND OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY to Carrie Bullard and Tom Whyte on the death of Carrie's mother Irene Bullard and to Marta Robinson on the death of her husband Daniel. May the Lord console Carrie and her family and Marta and her family. May our prayers be a support to them during their time of grief.

THE GOOD SHEPHERD CENTRE PRESENTS THE BURLINGTON WELSH MALE CHOIR - Friday, **October 28** at 8 p.m. here at St. Joseph's Parish. Tickets are \$20.00 each at the door or from The Good Shepherd Centres.

ENTERTAINMENT 2011 COUPON BOOKS HAVE ARRIVED – copies are available from the parish office or at the back of the church. We thank Ron Valvasori once again for organizing this parish fundraiser.

CHOIR NEWS...Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741) was an Italian virtuoso violinist and priest who has come to be considered one of the leading composers of his time. The volume of his musical output is staggering: 500 concertos for a variety of instruments, 46 operas, 90 sonatas for solo instruments, and dozens of pieces for chamber ensembles and choirs. Two of his most well-known pieces today are *The Four Seasons*, a set of violin concertos, and *Gloria*, a multi-movement work for choir and orchestra. Today during the Offertory at the 11:30 Mass, the choir will sing one of Vivaldi's shorter choral pieces, *Antiphonal Gloria Alleluia*.

GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD BANK NEEDS YOUR HELP - Please remember Good Shepherd Food Banks when you shop for groceries. Bring in your food donations whenever you come to Mass. Help restock the shelves after the Thanksgiving holiday.

St. Joseph's Parish Justice Committee - Devastating floods in Pakistan - Development and Peace continues to partner and support the appeal launched by Caritas Internationalis Caritas Pakistan and other Caritas partners globally. The appeal is to support the emergency response being organized to help affected communities in Pakistan. They have already provided water, food, cooking utensils, health and hygiene kits, mosquito nets and water purification tablets to over 4,000 households around Peshawar and in the provinces of Punjab and Baluchistan.

Development and Peace has been responding to natural catastrophes and complex emergencies in Pakistan for many years, including a \$2.3 million emergency and reconstruction program after a massive earthquake in 2005 and, most recently, in 2009 when over 2 million people were displaced by conflict in the North of the country.

Our Share Lent funds are being used to help our brothers and sisters in Pakistan if you are able to support these ongoing efforts with a further contribution it would be greatly appreciated. For further information please go to Devp.org.

2011 SUNDAY MISSALS – We have ordered a supply of 2011 Sunday Missals for parishioners who wish to use them. Missals will be distributed at the back of the church after Mass. We are asking for a small donation (\$5.00) to help cover the cost of the Missals. A number of Missals will be set aside in the sacristy for the Lectors. All Lectors are asked to pick up their copies and check off their name from the list.

Desk Scribbles . . . 30th Sun Ord Time . . . Oct 24, 2010 . . . Jim Link, C.R.

Sirach 35:15-17, 20-22; Psalm 34; 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14

The gospel reading for this Sunday always causes me to take a deep breath before I enter into it. Many years ago on retreat I sat and prayed with this story of the Pharisee and the tax collector in the temple and realized that the story disturbed me at a very deep level. It did not take me long to reflect that my life and how I identified myself more closely aligned with the self-righteous position of the Pharisee. The figure of the tax collector, bowing his head and pleading God for mercy, is an image that scares me.

No matter how much I try to pretend, there is a part of my life that takes pride in my accomplishments and wears them like feathers in my cap to assure God of my worthiness.

Perhaps it was the same retreat before my ordination to the diaconate, but, again in prayer, I remember saying to God, "God, I am not really worth to become a deacon and certainly not worthy to become a priest." As clearly as anyone hears God speak, I heard God say to me, "You're right!" God's response caught me off guard because I fully expected to hear, "Oh Jim, don't be silly. You know that you are good and that I want you."

What God did however was call my bluff. My prayer was not really coming from a genuine sense of humility or feelings of unworthiness; no, the truth is, I wanted God to affirm my good deeds and the fact that I had earned the position God was calling me to. So, after I heard God tell me that I was not worthy to become a priest, God said, "Jim, you are not worthy but I make you worthy." That experience happened 35 years ago and I am still trying to accept the truth of it and let go of the thought that any thing I do can earn salvation or merit God's love. The real truth is, we are given these things freely from God's love. Our goodness and what we do is simply a response in thanksgiving to God's unconditional generosity.

The thing is, there is nothing wrong about doing good or obeying the laws, religious or otherwise, like the Pharisee. The central issue of this story deals with trust. The Pharisee clearly stood before God trusting in his own good deeds and merit with an

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