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OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon

WEEKEND LITURGY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY LITURGY

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.

Saturday 11:30 a.m. - 12 noon, and by appointment

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday evening Mass

SACRED HEART DEVOTION

First Friday of every month at 8:30 a.m.

BAPTISMS

Please contact the parish office to register for parent meeting for Baptism.

MARRIAGES

Please contact the Pastor at least nine months in advance.

PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

For more information or assistance contact our parish priest(s) or see www.vocationinfo.ca

MINISTRY TO SICK/SHUT-INS

Please notify the Rectory Office and arrange Communion.

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family please advise the priest immediately and they will assist you in making the liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial, contact the cemetery office at (905) 522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We invite you to take the time to complete a census form, located at all doors of the church. Please drop it into the collection basket.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All bulletin announcements MUST be received by the parish office no later than Monday at 3:30 p.m. to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday Bulletin.



Mass Intentions

"Thus it is written, that the Christ is to suffer and to rise from the dead..."

- Luke 24:46

Monday April 20

Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29 - No Mass

Tuesday April 21

Acts 7:51-8:1a; John 6:30-35

7 PM - Leonardo & Diana Giovannetti

Wednesday April 22

Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40

9 AM – Phyllis MacGinley

Thursday April 23

Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51

9 AM – Sam Scolfo III

Friday April 24

Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59

9 AM - Anne Gilmore

Saturday April 25 - St. Mark

I Peter 5:5b-14; Mark 16:15-20

5 PM - Helen Prince

Sunday April 26 - 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 4:7-12; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – James Brady

2 PM - First Communion Mass



Our Parish

Monday April 20

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday April 21

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

Wednesday April 22

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA 6:15 PM - Hall

Thursday April 23

Cenacle Group 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday April 24

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



First Communion

On Sunday, April 26, the children of the parish will be receiving their First Communion at 2 p.m., a special time set aside for them. All are welcome.

C.W.L. Message

The theme for this year's Convention is *ONE HEART* filled with mercy, compassion and holiness, *ONE VOICE united in harmony to speak the truth with courage and zeal, ONE MISSION witnessing the Good News of the Gospel through personal encounters and joyful service.* The Convention will take place in Guelph on May 29-31.

On behalf of the Men's Group of St. John the Baptist parish, thanks to all those parishioners who attended our **Fourth Annual Talent Show** this past Saturday. Once again, the student and adult performers entertained the audience and a good time was had by over 200 people in attendance. See you again next year!

Photos of the event can be found in the Gallery section of our parish website.

RCCO Organ Recital

The RCCO (Royal Canadian College of Organists) Hamilton Branch is holding an informal recital for its members and young students. The recital will take place on Sunday, April 19 at 3 p.m. in St. John's Church. The theme is "JOY." Everyone is welcome to attend and stay for the reception after.

WELCOME

to all who visited our Parish today. If you are new to this community, please

fill out a registration form and place it in the collection basket. Registration forms are available at all the doors of the church along with new envelope sets. If you are interested in taking part in any ministries listed on the registration form, please contact the parish office during office hours and let us know. The phone number is 905-634-2485.



WEEKEND OFFERTORY COLLECTION

IN THE DIOCESE

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES FOR CHILDREN

Preparing children for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation

The Hamilton Diocese provides correspondence programs for Catholic children from Kindergarten through high school, not receiving religious instruction (i.e. enrolled in a public or private school). For information and registration forms, phone Monica at the Catechesis Office of the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more wedding anniversary in 2015? If you are, you are invited on Sunday, June 7, 2015, for a **Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster at the Brant Street doors for registration by May 1, 2015.

Praying for Vocations

If you love priests and religious men and women, join us on Saturday, May 2 at St. Paul the Apostle Church, Burlington and/or Saturday, May 9 at Canadian Martyrs Church in Hamilton for 9 a.m. Mass and Holy Hour for Vocations. For more information, please visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.

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IN THE COMMUNITY

"Cross of Victory Pilgrimage 2015"

You are welcome to join us for any day or all eight days of our walking pilgrimage to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland this August 1 to 8. Email David Foster at cofvpilgrimage@gmail.com or search "Cross of Victory Pilgrimage 2015" for all the information. To meet fellow pilgrims in person and view a video of the pilgrimage that has taken place annually for more than 20 years, come to our Pasta Fundraiser Dinner at St. John the Baptist after the Saturday 5 p.m. Mass on May 23, 2015 (in the parish hall).

An **Annual Family Bowling Event** in support of the Juravinski Cancer Centre and McMaster Children's Hospital is taking place on April 26 from 3 to 5 p.m. Come to the Splitsville Entertainment Centre at 830 Laurentian Drive in Burlington. The cost is \$20 per person which includes 2 hours of bowling, shoe rental, taxes, pizza and pop. This event is being sponsored by a local council of the Knights of Columbus. Visit www.sianbradwell.com/burlington.

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