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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**

"Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."

- John 20:27

Monday April 4 – *Annunciation of the Lord* Isaiah 7:10-14, 8:10d; Luke 1:26-38 - No Mass Tuesday April 5

Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7b-15

7 PM – Intentions of Gudron Mitternick

Wednesday April 6

Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21

9 AM - Ed & Agnes Miller

Thursday April 7 - St. John Baptiste De La Salle

Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36

9 AM - Arlene MacIsaac

Friday April 8

Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15

9 AM – Intentions of Harry & Margaret Murphy

Saturday April 9

Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21

5 PM - Jack Speziale

Sunday April 10 – 3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:28-32, 40b-41; Revelations 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

9 AM - Pro Populo

11 AM – Hubert Kressler





Our Parish

Monday April 4

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday April 5

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

Wednesday April 6

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA - 6:15 PM - Hall

Choir Practice - 7:30 PM - Church

Thursday April 7

Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation - 1 PM - WR

Friday April 8

AA Meeting - 9 PM - Hall

Saturday April 9

Men's Group Breakfast Meeting – 8 AM – Hall

St. John's Talent Show - 6 PM - Hall



C.W.L. Message

This year, the Hamilton Diocesan Catholic Women's League Council celebrates 96 years and we are concentrating on the Holy Year of Mercy. During this year, we want to focus on corporal and spiritual works of mercy. May Our Lady of Good Counsel continue to guide us in our work.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

March 20, 2016......\$6,770 # of envelopes......309

St. John's Talent Show

The St. John's Men's Group will be hosting the Annual St. John's Talent Show on April 9 after the 5 o'clock Mass. A pizza supper will be provided free of charge. We look forward to seeing you all there for a great evening.

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. For envelopes, or to find out about ministries listed on the form, please contact the parish office during office hours.

Kindly do not use staples, tape or glue on your envelopes and please place address labels on the front and clear of the flap. It is necessary to use an envelope instead of putting a loose Cheque into the collection basket - this ensures that your donation will be processed on time and that you will receive a tax receipt. Pink "visitor" envelopes are handy for this purpose - there is always a supply at all the doors. If you would like to have a set of church envelopes, give us a call. Thanks to our Collection Support Team for their contribution of time and talents - you're the

Thank you all very much for supporting St. Johns. We truly appreciate your consideration of the ongoing expenses required to maintain our Church, rectory and property all year 'round.

The Knights of Columbus Hall is available for celebrations, meetings, social events and more. Phone 905-580-3472 for information or visit their website at www.kofc5073.ca.

IN THE SCHOOLS

PASTA NIGHT 2016!

<u>St. John School</u> once again invites you to their annual Pasta Night Fundraiser.

<u>WHEN</u>: Thursday, April 28 (5 p.m. or 7 p.m.) <u>WHERE</u>: The Polish Hall on Fairview St.

Tickets are on sale now until April 15 @ \$12/adults, \$5/children 4-11 (children 3 and under eat FREE). Visit http://schools.hcdsb.org/johb/default.aspx

and print an order form or pick up a form at the school and pay by cheque. Business donors are promoted at this event and prizes for the Children's Raffle Table are highly appreciated.

12th Annual Trivia Night at Assumption

The Assumption Catholic Secondary School Annual Trivia Night will take place on Saturday, April 9 from 7-10 p.m. The cost is \$15 per player (teams of 6-8). This year, donations will be made to the St. Raphael's Syrian Refugee Fund, Halton Catholic Children's Education Foundation and the Hamilton Naturalists' Club. Please contact Tina Di Clemente at (905) 634-1835, ext. 2022 to reserve a table.

IN THE DIOCESE

Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or more wedding anniversary in 2016? If you are, you are invited on Sunday, May 29, 2016, 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, 2016.

Gospel of Luke Study Series

The Gospel of Luke study series continues with Bishop Daniel Miehm's presentation "The Power of the Parable." Please consider joining us for this event on Wednesday, April 13 from 7-8:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church. There is no cost to attend. Supplemental reading resources will be available for purchase for \$5 (please bring exact change). For further information and to register, contact Monica at mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Laudato Si: A Look at the New Encyclical

This workshop/study series exploring the major components of Pope Francis' Encyclical on the environment and the impact it has on our lives will be presented on four Tuesday evenings starting May 3 at 8:30 p.m. The facilitator will be Sr. Mary Heather MacKinnon, SSND. The cost is \$75 which includes text and resources. Register by April 22. To register or for info, phone 905-528-7988, ext 2238 or email <a href="majorized majorized ma

IN THE COMMUNITY

Fr. Strohmeyer's 50th Anniversary Mass

Fr. Mark Gatto, pastor of St. Matthew's parish in Oakville would like to extend an invitation to everyone in the Diocese to celebrate Fr. Strohmeyer's 50th Anniversary Mass on Saturday, May 28 at 5 p.m. Bishop Gerard Bergie will be the celebrant. A simple reception will follow.

Booked a vacation week in August yet? Please consider joining the **Cross of Victory Pilgrimage** for a day or two or the whole week of August 6 to August 13 as we walk to the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland. For information, search Cross of Victory Pilgrimage 2016 on the internet or contact David Foster at CofVPilgrimage@gmail.com or 416-892-8819.

Thomas believed because he saw Jesus. What will it take for me to respond to God's call to the priesthood or religious life? If you have questions, speak to the pastor or contact Rev. Kuzma at (905)528-7988, ext. 2246 or visit www.vocationinfo.ca.

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