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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.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EVERY FRIDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS - 12 NOON



Mass Intentions

"I do choose. Be made clean!"

- Mark 1:42

Monday February 16

Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Mark 8:11-13 – No Mass

Tuesday February 17

Genesis 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mark 8:14-21

7 PM – Vincent Enright

Wednesday February 18 – Ash Wednesday (School Mass)

Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20 – 6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

9 AM – Assunta Di Paolo

Thursday February 19

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25

9 AM – Don Carroll

Friday February 20

Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15

9 AM – Ted Lister

Saturday February 21

Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32

5 PM – Giovanni Cipparone

Sunday February 22 – 1st Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Alana Marsden



Our Parish

Monday February 16

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday February 17

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday February 18

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday February 19

Cenacle Group 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM - Church

Friday February 20

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday February 22

Parish Breakfast – 10 AM – Hall



Monday, February 16 is Family Day and the parish office will be closed that day.

C.W.L. MESSAGE

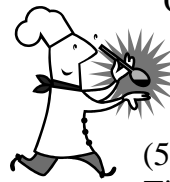
Remember to register for the C.W.L. **Lenten Retreat Day** on Tuesday, February 24. This event will be facilitated by Fr. Mike Isabelle and will run from 9 a.m. (with Mass) to 2:15 p.m. Refreshments and lunch will be served. The cost is a donation of \$15. Registration forms are available at the church doors – please be sure to **register by February 19**. For more information, phone Marie Arponen at 905-637-1677.

World Day of Prayer 2015

"Do you know what I have done to you?"

Everyone is invited to attend World Day of Prayer Services on Friday, March 6, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at St. Raphael's Church, 4072 New St., Burlington. In the evening, at St. Christopher's Church, 662 Guelph Line, Burlington starting at 7:30 p.m.

St. John's Parish Breakfast!!



On Sunday, February 22, come and enjoy a delicious breakfast after the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses (10 a.m. to 1 p.m.).

Tickets cost \$7/adults and \$3/children (5 to 12), children 4 and under eat for free.

Tickets will only be sold at the door. The menu, prepared by the Knights of Columbus: eggs, bacon, sausages, beans, pancakes, hash browns, coffee, tea & juice.

Development and Peace "Sow Much Love"

This will be the last week to sign the petitions regarding small family farmers' rights to preserve, use and freely exchange seeds. These rights play a vital role in the struggle against hunger and poverty in the Global South. Petition sheets are at all doors of the church. When signing, please be sure to follow the instructions about using block lettering, etc.

Children's Choir Rehearsals will resume in the spring. Please watch for more information.

WEEKEND OFFERTORY COLLECTION

January 1, 2015.....\$4,870.95
of envelopes.....263

February 15, 2015

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Our conference has brand new high quality clothing in sizes for infants up to size 6. Any parishioners with young children who need clothing are invited to the parish hall any Tuesday in February from 10:30 a.m. until noon. A volunteer from St. Vincent de Paul will be there to help you with your selections.

IN THE SCHOOL

Calling all parents of grade 3 students at St. John School: Please join us along with our grade 3 students for an informal “Golden Time Together” gathering following the 9 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass on February 18. We will meet immediately following the Mass in the parish hall. The Mental Health Liaison Nurse and the Public Health Nurse will be available to lead in a special activity that you can take home. Light refreshments will be provided.

IN THE DIOCESE

Retrovaille - Do you feel alone? - Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 13-15, 2015, in Niagara Falls please phone 905-664-5212 or visit www.retrovaille.org.

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 or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Come away and pray for awhile. Join the **Sisters of St. Joseph** at the Motherhouse, 574 Northcliffe Avenue in Hamilton on Saturday, February 28 from 9:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. The day includes Mass, lunch and time for prayer. Please phone 905-528-0138 to register by February 22. The contribution is \$20.

Group Bereavement Workshops

Are you dealing with a loss in your life such as the death of a spouse, child or miscarriage; divorce; job loss; loss of your home; health; pet; culture, infertility; romantic relationship; ailing parents? There is help – you are invited to join us for a series of Group Bereavement Workshops intended to assist you in coping. The goal is to provide definitive actions that will mend conflicting emotions that hold you back from enjoying life. Join us for this 8-week course being held on Thursdays March 5, 12, 26 and April 9, 16, 23, 30 and May 7 at Mary Mother of God Parish, 2741 N Trail Ridge, Oakville. Choose from afternoons (1-3 p.m.) or evenings (7-9 p.m.). For more information, phone Ilse at 905-338-1778, register at www.hamiltondiocese.com or phone the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249. The cost is \$35 (includes materials).

Learning to Cope (Level I) is a ten week support program starting Tuesday, March 3 (7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.) for persons experiencing difficulties after a separation or divorce. For more information, please contact the Office for Ministry, Family and Religious Education at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249. Cost is \$35 and past participants are welcome to inquire about other Levels programs available.

IN OTHER PARISHES

35 Annual St. Raphael's Men's Retreat

Attend a weekend of spiritual renewal at “Manresa,” the Jesuit Spiritual Centre in Pickering from Friday, February 20 – 22. The retreat begins Friday at 7:15 p.m. and closes Sunday with lunch at 12:30 p.m. This is a SILENT retreat with reflection on what is important in our lives and with time to develop our relationship with God. You must reserve a place - phone Stephen, 905-639-6428 or Leo, 905-517-1039.

IN THE COMMUNITY

40 Days for Life

The worldwide Prayer Vigil to end abortion and heal those affected by it takes place from February 18 to March 29 for 40 days of peaceful prayer. Gather outside Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital (327 Reynolds Street). To take part, please register at 40daysforlife.com/oakville.

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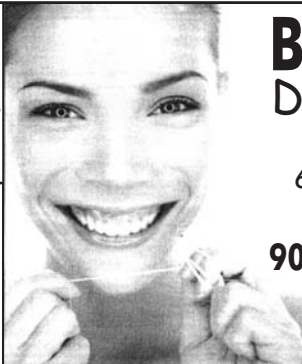
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