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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 Closed

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.

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

BAPTISMS

Please take a baptism package from the tables in the church entrances.

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.

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Masses of the Week

All things belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

1 Corinthians

Monday February 20

Sirach 1:1-10; Mark 9:14-29 – *No Mass*

Tuesday February 21

Sirach 2:1-11; Mark 9:30-37

7 PM – Thoma Hmiel

Wednesday February 22 – *Chair of St. Peter*

1 Peter 5:1-4; Matthew 16:13-19

9 AM – Mark Purchase

Thursday February 23 – *St. Polycarp*

Sirach 5:1-8; Mark 9:41-50

9 AM – Clarita Timog

Friday February 24

Sirach 6:5-17; Matk 10:1-12

9 AM – Corey Mijak

Saturday February 25

Sirach 17:1-4, 6-8, 10-15; Mark 10:13-16

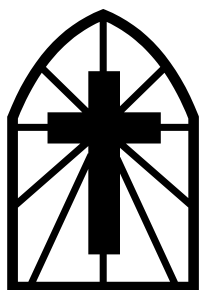
5 PM – Marian Carnegie

Sunday February 26– *8th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 49:14-15; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5; Matthew 6:24-34

9 AM – Henri & Helen Hendriks

11 AM – Pro Populo



Our Parish

Monday February 20

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday February 21

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

RCIA – 7:30 PM – WR

Wednesday February 22

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday February 23

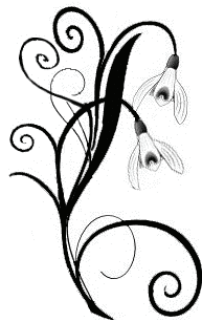
Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Anxiety & Depression Seminar – 7 PM – Hall

Friday February 24

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



Ash Wednesday will be here on March 1. Are you prepared? Lent is a time for repentance, change of heart and prayer. Give some thought now to prepare for your Lenten practice.

C.W.L. Message

A big thank you goes to all who helped make our Fashion Show an outstanding event. Special thanks to Dolene.

Our **C.W.L. Lenten Day of Prayer** is on Tuesday, March 7 starting with Mass at 9 a.m. and concluding at 2:15 p.m. with Benediction. Father Isabel's theme will be "*He spoke in parables.*" The fee of \$15 will include lunch and refreshments. Registration forms are at the church doors - please register by March 3 in the collection basket, at the parish office or phone Marie at 905-637-1677. Please make any cheques payable to the C.W.L.

World Day of Prayer 2017

World Day of Prayer Services are on Friday, March 3, beginning at 1:30 p.m. at Holy Rosary Church, 287 Plains Rd. In the evening, at Appleby United Church, 4407 Spruce Ave. starting at 7 p.m.

Pancake Supper!

Come and join us on Shrove Tuesday (Feb. 28) for pancakes and sausages in the parish hall from 4 - 7 p.m. Cost is a free-will offering.

CATHOLIC MEN'S RETREAT

The Knights of Columbus #5073 will be hosting a Catholic Men's Retreat on Saturday, March 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the St. Joseph's Motherhouse, 574 Northcliffe Ave., Dundas. The theme will be "*Thy (God's) Will (Not Mine) be done.*" The retreat will be conducted by both lay persons and clergy and will include presentations, group discussions and opportunities for reflection. Food and refreshments will be provided and the cost is \$35 with limited seating. Please reserve your seat by contacting Michael Enright at 905-315-1744.

ST. JOHN'S GAMES NIGHT

Bring your family to the Games Night on **Saturday, March 4 at 6 p.m.** starting with a pizza supper, then let the games begin! There will be fun for the young and old and everyone in between. Volunteers are still needed for kids games and cards for adults. Sign up sheets are at all the church entrances.

On Thursday, February 23 at 7 p.m. in St. John's parish hall, St. John's is hosting a free **Anxiety & Depression Seminar** – no reservations required. Hear speaker, Mike Glugosh from the Mountainview Clinic for Stress & Anxiety, share coping skills to help you overcome Anxiety Disorder.

IN THE DIOCESE

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Saint Joseph from March 11 to 19. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You may send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to Carmel of Saint Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd., R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0.

Attend a **Day of Prayer with the Sisters of Social Service** at 11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton, on Friday, February 24, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring a bag lunch; tea, coffee and muffins are provided. An offering of \$20 is suggested. To register please phone 905-388-3966 or email sssperthshire@sympatico.ca.

Retrouvaille - 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 thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 24, please phone 905-664-5212 or email hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca.

Exploring the St. John Bible: Seeing the Word
A Senior Adult Workshop Series on "*Exploring the St. John Bible*" will take place starting March 8 at the Chancery Office from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. You will be introduced to the history and making of the newly acquired bible, the first hand-written, illuminated bible in 500 years. The program will be facilitated by the Director of the Discipleship and Parish Life Office and the cost of \$35 and includes resources. Register by February 21 at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or email mverin@hamiltondiocese.com.

LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1)

This ten-week support program for persons experiencing difficulties through a separation or divorce starts Tuesday, February 28 (7 to 9:30 pm) at the Chancery Office. For more information, please phone the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249. Cost: \$35. Past participants are welcome to inquire about further Levels programs.

KEYS

This 10-week, video-based program is meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better 'me' in all your relationships. The program runs Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m. starting March 2 at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. The cost is \$45. Phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through high school who are not currently receiving religious instruction (i.e. in a public or private school). These instructions prepare your child for the reception of the sacraments of **First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation**. Please visit the website www.hamiltondiocese.com or phone Monica at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 to enroll your child.

A special program, "*Insects in the Bible: An Intertextual Approach*" will take place at the Royal Botanical Gardens Rock Garden on Saturday, March 11 from 2 - 4 p.m. Fr. Michael Patella, OSB and Sabrina Hall will discuss insects featured in the St. John's Bible. Cost is \$30. Pre-register by March 1 at www.rbg.ca or 1-800-694-4769.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Pilgrimage to Fatima and Lourdes with Barcelona
Join Deacon Rob Thomas on June 11 to June 20, 2017 on a faith-filled excursion, marking the 100th anniversary of Fatima. For info, contact Deacon Rob by phone at 905-315-9443 or visit the website at <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/764541>.

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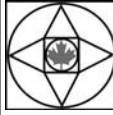


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