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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.

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

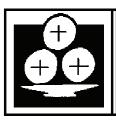
When a death occurs in your family please advise the priest immediately and they will assist you in making the liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial, contact the cemetery office at 905-522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

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.







Monday February 5 – St. Agatha I Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Mark 6:53-56 – No Mass

Tuesday February 6 - St. Paul Miki & Companions

I Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Mark 7:1-13

7 PM - Pearl Grant

Wednesday February 7

1 Kings 10:1-10; Mark 7:14-23

AM – Matthew Mitterling

Thursday February 8
I Kings II:4-I3; Mark 7:24-30

9 AM – Joseph & Beatrice David

Friday February 9

I Kings 11:29-32, 12-19; Mark 7:31-37

9 AM - Daniel Ford

Saturday February 10 - St. Scholastica

I Kings 12:26-32, 13:33-34; Mark 8:1-10

5 PM - Brian & David Jordan

<u>Sunday Febraury 11</u> – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leviticus 13:1-2, 45-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM - Bill Curtin



Our Parish

Monday February 5

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday February 6

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

Wednesday February 7

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group - 6:15 PM - Hall

Thursday February 8

Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

Friday February 9

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Saturday February 10

Men's Group Breakfast Meeting - 8 AM - Hall



CWL Message

God calls us to use our gifts in our journey with our sisters in the League and with Christ. Our CWL **Lenten Retreat** is on Tuesday, February 27 starting with Mass at 9 a.m. and concluding with Benediction at 2:15 p.m. More details will follow.

Children in JK – Grade 4, are invited to join in the parish's **Children's Liturgy** program which takes place on Sundays at the 11 a.m. Mass. Phone Anne Marie at 905-317-3539 or send an email to childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com to register or for information.

PANCAKE TUESDAY IS COMING!

All are invited to the parish hall on Tuesday, February 13 for <u>Pancake Tuesday</u>. Come and enjoy pancakes and sausages from 4 to 7 p.m. Cost is a free-will offering.

FORMED – BELOVED SESSION 1: Does Marriage Matter?

Why does the Church care so much about marriage? Beloved, an Augustine Institute Studios original production, explores the essential realities of marriage. Through scripture, tradition and Church teachings, you will gain a deeper understanding of this sacrament and how it connects with God's plan for humanity. Find this video on the FORMED welcome page just under the St John the Baptist Parish information. Register for free using our parish code RHTGK2 at FORMED.org.

ST. JOHN'S TALENT SHOW

The St. John the Baptist Men's Group is once again hosting our **Annual Talent Show** right after the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, April 14. If you sing, dance, play a musical instrument or have any other special talent, please phone Tim O'Brien at 905-632-2954.



Ash Wednesday will be here on February 14. Are you prepared? Lent is a time for repentance, change of heart and prayer. Give some thought now to prepare for your Lenten practice.

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IN THE DIOCESE

Seniors' Study Session

This 5-week Study Session will give you an opportunity to study carefully Pope Francis' encyclical through videos and discussions. Join us as we explore this important text for Adult Faith Formation. The course will be held at the Chancery Office on Mondays from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. starting February 5. Contact Monica at 905-528-7988, ext 2238 or mverin@hamiltondiocese.com.

LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1)

This is a ten-week support program for persons experiencing difficulties through a separation or divorce. The program begins Tuesday, March 6 (7 to 9:30 p.m.) at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. For more information or to register, please phone the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249 or visit the website at www.hamiltondiocese.com. The 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) looking to develop the skills needed to have the most meaningful relationship possible 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 1 at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. The cost is \$45. For information or to register, phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2018? On Sunday, June 10, at 1:30 pm., you are invited to attend a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Details are available on the poster at the Brant Street entrance.

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated or angry in their marriage. Most couples don't know how to change the situation or how to communicate about it. For confidential information about the program or to register for the weekend starting March 16, please phone 905-664-5212 or visit www.retrouvaille.org.

IN THE COMMUNITY

ST. VALENTINE DINNER & DANCE!

Attend a special night for Catholic Young Adults (19-39) on Saturday, February 10 at 5 p.m. Attend Mass then enjoy dinner, dancing, photo booth, door prizes, 50/50 draw and cash bar. The event takes place at St. Augustine Parish, 58 Sydenham St., Dundas. Cost is \$20 per person. Please RSVP by February 8. Phone Justin at 905-689-4857 or email jpeter@hamiltondiocese.com.

The Life Jesus Higher Rally takes place on Saturday, March 3 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Metro Convention Centre, 255 Front St. W. in Toronto. The adult Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins and Bishop Scott McCaig will celebrate with the youth. Also there will be separate youth events (13-18 years or age). For tickets and info visit www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca or phone 416-251-4255.

Please visit the **St. Vincent de Paul Next to New Stores** at 200 Parkdale Ave. N. and 969 Upper Ottawa St. (Giant Tiger Plaza) in Hamilton. Find good quality clothing, shoes, furniture, household items, books, dvds, cds and more. Please phone 905-549-3902 for free pick up of your gently used donations. Volunteers are always welcome. Please speak to John at the store.

VOCATION VIEW

Christ raises up, from among our midst, those called to the Consecrated Life. We pray for those who have left everything to follow Him. For information on the priesthood or religious life, visit www.vocationinfo.ca or contact Fr. King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation at the Diocese of Hamilton by email at mking@hamiltondiocese.com or phone 905-528-7988, extension 2246.



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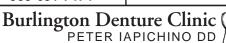
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