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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](http://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

*“Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat.”*

- Isaiah 55:1

Monday January 12 – St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

Hebrews 1:1-6; Mark 1:14-20 – No Mass

Tuesday January 13

Hebrews 2:5-12; Mark 1:21-28

7 PM – Colleen Hodges

Wednesday January 14

Hebrews 2:14-18; Mark 1:29-39

9 AM – Mary Poupolo

Thursday January 15

Hebrews 3:7-14; Mark 1:40-45

9 AM – Intentions of Mary Lange

Friday January 16

Hebrews 4:1-5, 11; Mark 2:1-12

9 AM – Intentions of Fr. Obioma Anyanwu

Saturday January 17 – St. Anthony

Hebrews 4:12-16; Matthew 19:16-21

5 PM – Carol Beach

Sunday January 18 – 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19; 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20; John 1:35-42

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Leo Spigelski



## C.W.L. Message

*The first **General Meeting** of 2015 will take place on Monday, January 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Come out and welcome our new Co-chairs, Lori Skinner and Maria Bowering. I welcome back Marie Arponen, Dorothy Constable, Virginia Moore and Dolene Vanderlelie. Our Recording Secretary is to be announced. I will now become the Past President. I have been truly blessed by the love, commitment and support of the C.W.L. Executive, the members and all of St. John’s pastors, staff and parishioners. God bless all of you.*

- Joan Moore, Past President

It is **Membership Renewal Time**. For church envelope users, there is a blue envelope included for your convenience. **The front of the renewal envelope must be completed in full with your name and address.** For everyone else, the \$20 membership fee may be put in an ordinary envelope and dropped into the collection basket with “CWL Membership” on the front **along with your name and address.** If paying by cheque, please make the cheque payable to “Catholic Women’s League.” Many, many thanks for your commitment and support for our League.

**THE 2015 CHURCH ENVELOPES** are available for pick-up in the church near the Brant Street entrance. Please check that your address is correct as this is where your tax receipt will be mailed. If you have any difficulty finding your envelopes, please visit or contact the office for assistance at 905-634-2485. *Kindly remember not to staple or seal your envelopes closed with tape or address labels as this hinders the work of the team.* The parish could not operate without the financial contributions made by our parishioners so a huge **‘thank you’** to all those who generously support the parish and a warm welcome to those who are new to our community. Registration forms are available at all church doors along with blank envelopes for new parishioners. Kindly fill out a registration form and drop it into the collection basket or drop it off at the office. Thank you.



## Our Parish

Monday January 12

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

C.W.L. Meeting – 7 PM – Hall

Tuesday January 13

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday January 14

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women’s AA 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday January 15

Cenacle Group 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM - Church

Friday January 16

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



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## WEEKEND OFFERTORY COLLECTION

November 30, 2014.....	\$5,032.15
# of envelopes.....	276
December 7, 2014.....	\$5,624.05
# of envelopes.....	299
December 14, 2014.....	\$5,267.71
# of envelopes.....	289

Thank you ever so much!

Pink Visitor's Envelope are provided for anyone donating a loose cheque. Please help yourself –it is necessary for the processing of cheques to provide an envelope for recording (for your tax receipt). Feel free to contact the parish office to see about using a boxed set of church envelopes or, if you are new here, help yourself to a set at the church doors.

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## IN THE DIOCESE

### World Youth Day 2016

Join us July 19 – August 2, 2016 as we participate in World Youth Day in the Diocese of Krakow, Poland. The pilgrimage includes return flight, 14 days in Poland, accomodation, busing and most meals. Space is limited so book today. Participants must be 18 – 35 years of age at time of travel. Contact David Daylor at 905-528-7988, ext. 2226 or visit the website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for more information and registration forms. Initial registration and deposit of \$100 is due by January 31, 2015.

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### World Meeting of Families

Pope Francis will attend the World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia – The Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip, departing September 22 and returning September 28, 2015. Both Bishop Crosby and Bishop Miehm will be attending. The theme is *Love is our Mission – the Family Fully Alive*, with every keynote address and workshop based on the concepts of marriage, family and relationship. This is a family event with workshop streams for those 18 and older, 6-12 years and day care for those 5 years and younger. The first 100 people to register for the Hamilton Diocese trip will have both their registration and transportation (by bus) paid by the Diocese, leaving only the cost of hotel and food. For details and to register, phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2250.

## Project Rachel

Healing after an abortion is possible. At Project Rachel, caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that may follow an abortion. We offer a *confidential* service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please phone (905) 526-1999.

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## IN OTHER PARISHES

The 5th Annual Women's Day of Reflection, "Nurturing the Nurturer" will be held on Saturday, February 7, 2015, from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Raphael's Parish Centre, 4072 New Street, Burlington. Tickets are \$30 and will go on sale January 17, 2015. For tickets and information, phone Charlie at 905-681-6221.

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## IN THE COMMUNITY

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Notre Dame Motherhouse is looking for volunteers to assist within the Therapeutic Recreation Department. If you like to talk or help people, either in a group or one-to-one setting, then you would be a valuable asset to our team. Volunteer positions include recreation assistants, special talent volunteers, friendly visitors and volunteer drivers. If you would like more information or are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact Julie Farnand, Manager of Therapeutic Recreation and Volunteer Resources at 905-689-6344 ext. 109.

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### BIG BAND CONCERT

The Burlington Knights of Columbus, in support of their many activities, are sponsoring the Toronto All-Star Big Band Concert on Saturday, January 25, 2015 for an afternoon performance. The price per ticket is \$38.50 plus applicable taxes and fees. For tickets, phone the box office at 905-681-6000.

*Vocation View – Delight in God's call to you in baptism. What grace do you need to strengthen your commitment? To speak to someone about the priesthood or religious life, contact Rev. Kuzma, Vocation Director, at 905-528-7988 x 2246 or visit the Hamilton Diocese website at [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca).*



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