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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.



Mass Intentions

"After Jesus had been baptized and was praying...the Holy Spirit descended on him..."

- Luke 3:21

Monday January 14

Hebrews 1:1-6; Mark 1:21-28 - No Mass

Tuesday January 15

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

7 PM – Gregory Lamontagne

Wednesday January 16 Hebrews 2:14-18; Mark 1:29-39

9 AM – Wanda Van Impe

Thursday January 17 - St. Anthony

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

9 AM – Veroslava Hanousek

Friday January 18

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

9 AM - Intentions of Antoinetta Nevs

Saturday January 19

Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 2:13-17

5 PM – Joseph Bajus

Sunday January 20 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 62:1-5; I Corinthians 12:4-11; John 2:1-12

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM - Iris & Sam Chiarelli



Our Parish

Monday January 14

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday January 15

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

Wednesday January 16

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

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

Thursday January 17

Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

Friday January 18

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday January 20

Baptisms – 12:30 PM – Church



CWL Message

To assist our Executive, please complete the front of your membership envelope with your name, address and telephone number. The front of your renewal envelope must be completed in full so that we may identify you. If paying by cheque, please make it payable to the St. John Catholic Women's League. Your timely payment of annual dues is a great help.

FORMED Presents Living Life by Design, Not by Default

Live this year intentionally. Fr. Michael Schmitz explains why and how we need to live an intentionally Christian life within this technological age. Discover how, with a few small steps, you can stop going with the flow and live by design. Find this audio presentation on our St. John the Baptist page on FORMED.org in the "Community" tab. If you have questions or concerns, please email your parish FORMED team at stjohnsformed@gmail.com.

Hope Undimmed – surprising answers to today's most difficult questions:

Over the next 7 weeks, you will have an opportunity to explore some of the most difficult questions affecting the way we live out our Catholic faith. From former adult entertainment personalities to religious monks in sandals, *Hope Undimmed* provides surprising answers to the most difficult questions. Stay tuned...

St. John's Christmas Bazaar

To close the final week of the 2018 Christmas Season, ending with the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord, here are the results of the 2018 Christmas Bazaar: we are pleased to advise that over \$12,000 was received in addition to a new microwave oven and range hood for the parish hall kitchen. Thanks so much to everyone who helped make the Bazaar a success!



IN THE DIOCESE

The Second Annual Bible Study will be observed in Hamilton Diocese on Sunday, February 3. The focus is "Listening to God's Word at Mass." Two special presentations on the Gospel of Luke will be offered by Fr. Michael Patella, O.S.B. This event will take place at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo from 2 to 3 p.m. and at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton from 7 to 8 p.m. Plan to attend one of these presentations which will outline what to listen for during this year of Luke.

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 19 (7 to 9:30 p.m.) at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. 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. Already completed level 1, 2 or 3? Join the next level and continue the journey toward healing and connect with others.

Stress in Your Marriage?

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 15, phone 905-664-5212 or send an email to hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca. The website may be found at www.retrouvaille.org.

Catechetical Correspondence Program

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in a Catholic school is also available. Families work through the programs at home. Please contact Monica Verin at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238. You may also register online at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Seeking the Sacred

This is the theme for a new afternoon program for seniors starting Tuesday, January 29 at the Chancery Office. Sr. Mary Heather MacKinnon will lead you through 12 practices intended to give practical ways to deepen our relationship with God. Experience guided spiritual activities such as Lectio Divina, photography, walking, writing and more. The cost for this 7-session program is \$35 and includes the book. Space is limited so please register by January 25 with Monica at mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or phone 905-528-79088, ext. 2238.

CALLED TO LIFE WORKSHOP

Equip yourself with the tools to become a catalyst to build a strong culture of life in your parish. This event at St. Raphael's parish is for women parishioners and is sponsored by the CWL and Halton Alive. The cost is \$5 with refreshments provided. Please RSVP by February 15. Email Tawnya Arsenault at cec@haltonalive.com.

IN THE COMMUNITY

The Best of Broadway!

The Burlington Knights of Columbus are presenting a wonderful afternoon at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre, featuring the Toronto All-Star Big Band. This event will take place on Sunday, January 20 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. If you missed this concert last year, this is the time to make sure you won't miss out again. The price is only \$45. You can go online to reserve your seat at www.burlingtonpac.ca or phone the box office at 905-681-6000.

The Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking begins Tuesday, January 22 at McMaster University in Hamilton. To register, phone Frank at 905-662-4076 or visit www.clchamilton.com.

A Pilgrimage, to Our Lady of Guadalupe is scheduled for March 26 to April 2 with Father Luke Kopaniak S.A.C. and Deacon Randy Matters For information, please email randalmatters@gmail.com or visit www.pilgrimdeaconrandy.com.

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