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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](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

*"...the steward tasted the water that had become wine."*

- John 2:9

Monday January 21

Hebrews 1:1-6; Mark 1:21-28 – No Mass

Tuesday January 22

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

7 PM – Stella Breau

Wednesday January 23

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

9 AM – Lorne Tingey

Thursday January 24 – St. Anthony

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

9 AM – Intentions of Pat McFarlane

Friday January 25

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

9 AM – Harry Murphy

Saturday January 26

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

5 PM – Mary Vancas Josefik

Sunday January 27 – 3rd 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 – Sonny Malone



## CWL Message

The CWL received a Certificate of Appreciation from the Good Shepherd. This certificate was in recognition of our (and the parishioner's) contribution to the clients of Good Shepherd and stated, "Your kindness has helped build hope and restore their dignity."

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

### Hope Undimmed – Session 1

Pornography; like it or loathe it, you simply cannot ignore it. It brings in more money than professional baseball and football combined. Many consider it harmless entertainment. Others aren't so sure. Hope Undimmed brings together a panel of individuals who will share their own personal stories with you. (Parental guidance suggested. Material may not be suitable for children.) Visit this video 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](mailto:stjohnsformed@gmail.com).



## Our Parish

Monday January 21

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday January 22

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday January 23

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday January 24

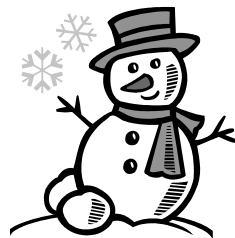
Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

Friday January 25

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



## 2019 Envelopes

Kindly pick up your 2019 envelopes as soon as you are able. Look for your envelopes alphabetically by surname and please check that your information is correct. **Tax receipts for 2018** will be put out in the church for pick up as soon as they have been prepared but if you cannot collect your receipt, don't worry – we will mail out any that are not picked up. Please be patient while they are being prepared during this busy year-end period.



## IN THE DIOCESE

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**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.

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### 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](http://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.

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### 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, send an email to [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or phone 905-664-5212. The website may be found at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

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### 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](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

A new afternoon program for seniors starts 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](mailto:mverin@hamiltondiocese.com) or phone 905-528-79088, ext. 2238.

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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](mailto:cec@haltonalive.com).

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## IN OTHER PARISHES

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St. Raphael’s parish will hold their 9th Annual Women’s Day of Reflection on Saturday, February 2. This year’s theme is “Journey to Holiness.” In his exhortation “Call to Holiness,” Pope Francis reminds us that being holy is an attainable goal. Presenters, Anne Jamieson and David Daylor from the Diocese will guide us so treat yourself to a day sharing your faith and connecting with other women. Space is limited – register by Sunday, January 26 with Charlotte at [bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca](mailto:bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca) or phone 905-681-6221.

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Please join us for an **Annual Ecumenical Prayer and Candlelight Vigil** to be held Friday, January 25 at 7 p.m. We will start with prayer at the Canadian Martyrs Church, Main St. W., across from McMaster Hospital, followed by the candle light vigil in front of McMaster University Hospital. Refreshments will be provided afterwards. For more information, phone the HRTL office at 905-528-3065.

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The CWL of St. Paul the Apostle invite all women to a **Morning of Spirituality** on Saturday, January 26, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in our Parish Hall with Fr. Tim Theriault, Associate Pastor at St. Thomas the Apostle. Our morning starts with Mass at 9 a.m. and includes a light lunch. The cost is \$10. Please register in advance by email to Shelley Monaco [smonaco151@gmail.com](mailto:smonaco151@gmail.com) or Susan Williams at [susanwilliams327@gmail.com](mailto:susanwilliams327@gmail.com).



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