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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**



*For the present form of this world is passing away.*

- 1 Corinthians 7:31

# Mass Intentions

Monday January 26 – St. Timothy & St. Titus

2 Timothy 1:1-8; Luke 10:1-9 – No Mass

Tuesday January 27

Hebrews 10:1-10; Mark 3:31-35

7 PM – Aljon Mercader

Wednesday January 28 – St. Thomas Aquinas

Hebrews 10:11-18; Mark 4:1-20

9 AM – Christian Taylor

Thursday January 29

Hebrews 10:19-25; Mark 4:21-25

9 AM – Joseph & Elena Vilimaitis

Friday January 30

Hebrews 10:32-39; Mark 4:26-34

9 AM – John Clark

Saturday January 31 – St. John Bosco

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19; Mark 4:35-41

5 PM – John Ciccarella

Sunday February 1 – 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deuteronomy 18:15-20; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Sonny Malone



**Kindly pick up your 2015 church envelopes from the church as soon as you can.** If you have any trouble finding your envelopes, please contact the office at 905-634-2485 for assistance or for a new set of envelopes.

## WEEKEND OFFERTORY COLLECTION

December 28, 2014.....\$6,821.75

# of envelopes.....292

December 31, 2014.....\$2,020

# of envelopes.....4

Donations received by the parish after 12 o'clock noon on December 31, 2014 were applied to the 2015 tax year. Thank you *very much* for your ongoing support.

## “SOW MUCH LOVE”

### Development and Peace 2015 Campaign

Please read today’s bulletin insert and look for more information at the Brant Street entrance of the church. You will have the opportunity to petition the federal government to ensure that farmers’ rights to use and save their own seeds is respected. Your participation in supporting small family farmers and for their access to seeds is key. Petition forms will be provided at the church doors for the next 2 weeks.

### The Pope’s Prayer Intentions for February

- ✠ That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity.
- ✠ That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community.



## Our Parish

Monday January 26

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday January 27

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday January 28

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women’s AA 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday January 29

Cenacle Group 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM - Church

Friday January 30

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



### You are invited...

to pray the rosary approximately one half hour before the start of each weekday Mass here at St. John’s.



January 25, 2015

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## IN THE SCHOOL

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**Calling all parents of grade 3 students at St. John School:** Please join us along with our grade 3 students for an informal “Golden Time Together” gathering following the 9 a.m. Ash Wednesday Mass on February 18. We will meet immediately following the Mass in the parish hall. The Mental Health Liaison Nurse and the Public Health Nurse will be available to lead in a special activity that you can take home. Light refreshments will be provided.

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## IN THE DIOCESE

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### A Day of Prayer

Attend a Day of Prayer with the Sisters of Social Service at 11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton, Friday, January 30, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Bring a bag lunch - tea and coffee are provided. To register, phone 905-388-3966 or email [ssspertshire@sympatico.ca](mailto:ssspertshire@sympatico.ca).

### Praying with the Sisters of St. Joseph

All interested women are invited to join the Sisters of St. Joseph at the Motherhouse, 574 Northcliffe Avenue in Hamilton on Saturday, February 28 from 9:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. The day includes Mass, lunch and time for prayer. Please phone 905-528-0138 to register by February 22. The contribution is \$20.

### Lenten Reflection Evenings

**Priest, Prophet, King...** through this presentation, you will better understand Jesus, become more familiar with scripture and realize your own priestly, prophetic and kingly mission. Using biblical insights and engaging stories, we come to see Jesus more clearly through the lens of the Old Testament. The cost for this series, being provided by the Office for Discipleship & Parish Life, is \$25 and will run on Thursday evenings starting on February 12 at the Chancery Office. Please contact Monica at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or visit the website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for more information.

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## IN OTHER PARISHES

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### Valentine's Dinner & Dance

Join us on Saturday, February 7 for an evening of dining and fun at Holy Rosary Parish Centre organized by the Knights of Columbus. Doors open at 6:15 p.m., catered dinner at 7 p.m. sharp. Singles, couples and groups welcome. Cash bar, draw prizes. Phone Susan at 905-521-9445 for information.

### 5th Annual Women's Day of Reflection

“*Nurturing the Nurture,r*” a Lenten Day of Reflection, will be held on Saturday, February 7 from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at St. Raphael's Parish Centre, 4072 New Street, Burlington. Tickets are \$30 by email at [bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca](mailto:bcarpenter2@cogeco.ca) or go to [www.straphaels.ca](http://www.straphaels.ca).

### A Retreat Day for all Women

The C.W.L. of St. Paul the Apostle Church is holding a retreat in their parish hall on Saturday, January 31 starting with Mass at 9 a.m. and ending at 3 p.m. All women are welcome to attend and share in some time of peaceful fellowship. Cost is \$12 which includes lunch. To register phone 905-332-5115. Located at 2265 Headon Rd.

### A Day of Reflection

Hear Fr. Dominic Borg, ocd, biblical scholar, retreat master and speaker give a presentation “*Living Lent in Preparation for the Great Feast of Passover.*” The date is Saturday, February 14 from 9 a.m. (Mass) to 3 p.m. at St. Gabriel's Church, 2261 Parkway Drive. Cost is \$20 including coffee break and lunch. For tickets phone 905-319-3528 or 905-334-4155, before February 6.

Support students of the Halton Catholic District School Board and Culture of Life activities including the upcoming National March for Life. Come to St. Paul the Apostle Parish on Saturday, February 28 to enjoy **Life Dance & Soiree with Liquid Jazz Project**. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. with a cash bar. For tickets phone Mary at 905-847-0595 or Lucie at 905-336-8558 or 289-983-7684.



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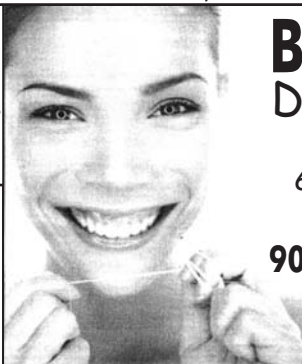
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