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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

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up."
- John 3:14

Mass Intentions

Monday March 16

Isaiah 65:17-21; John 4:43-54 – No Mass

Tuesday March 17

Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; John 5:1-16

7 PM – Mike Yurincich

Wednesday March 18

Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:16-30

9 AM – Carol Beach

Thursday March 19 – St. Joseph

2 Sm. 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom. 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt. 1:16, 18-21, 24a

9 AM – Matthew Smiley

Friday March 20

Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

9 AM – Vern & Loretta Hall

7 PM – Stations of the Cross

Saturday March 21

Jeremiah 11:18-20; John 7:40-53

5 PM – Christian Taylor

Sunday March 22 – 5th Sunday of Lent

Jeremiah 31:31-34+; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Patrick McCarthy



Our Parish

Monday March 16

St. Vincent de Paul Meeting – 2 PM – WR

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday March 17

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday March 18

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday March 19

Cenacle Group 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday March 20

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



C.W.L. MESSAGE

Our league is still in need of a **Recording Secretary**. Please consider joining our Executive, a group of dedicated and supportive women who will help the person who agrees to fill this position.

A Lenten Reflection for Men

On Tuesday, March 24, 2015, join **Hamilton Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI**, for an evening of worship, fellowship, good food and reflection on the spirituality of Catholic men in today's Church and world. Registration begins at 5:00 and Mass at 5:30 p.m., followed by a roast beef dinner and presentation. Location: Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse, 574 Northcliffe Ave., Dundas. Tickets are \$25.00 and must be purchased in advance as space is limited. For tickets, contact Tom Mancini; 905-632-4692/email teagranny@me.com; Rod Ulmer 905-637-0925/email rodlor@lara.on.ca or John Towler 905-639-5949/email jctowler@cogeco.ca. *Sponsored by the St. John the Baptist Men's Group in Burlington.*

Get Your Act Together



The St. John the Baptist Men's Group will be hosting the Annual Talent Show on April 11 right after the 5 o'clock Mass. So if you can sing, tell jokes, play an instrument or have some other special talent, this is your opportunity to shine. Please phone Tim O'Brien at 905-632-2954 to get in on the program. All acts must be confirmed by April 3. A pizza supper will be provided free of charge. See you on stage!

The **Children's Choir** is practicing for Palm Sunday. All children are welcome to join us on Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Warren Room. Thank you!

WEEKEND OFFERTORY COLLECTION

February 1, 2015.....\$5,164
of Envelopes.....278

Attention St. Vincent de Paul members: The next meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society is on **Monday, March 16** at 2 p.m. in the Warren Room.

March 15, 2015

Share Lent Collection

Next Sunday, March 22, is Solidarity Sunday when the annual Share Lent collection for Development & Peace takes place. Your generous solidarity is vital to the mission of D&P: to help, respect and promote the poor. We don't have to remind you to be generous – you always are.

Thank you for not using staples, tape, glue or labels to seal your envelopes. If you forgot your envelopes for a week or more, don't worry – just put your donations into the one current envelope and you may note the dates on the front if you wish. We are so thankful for your support.

IN THE DIOCESE

A Day of Prayer

Attend a Day of Prayer with the Sisters of Social Service at 11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton, Friday, March 27, 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Bring a bag lunch - tea and coffee are provided. An offering of \$25 is suggested. To register, phone 905-388-3966 or email ssspertshire@sympatico.ca.

Annual Mass with New Catholics

Each year, the bishop invites those who are baptized or received into full communion of the Catholic Church to a celebration of the Eucharist at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. This year's celebration takes place on Sunday, April 12 during the 11 a.m. Mass.

IN THE SCHOOLS

PASTA NIGHT 2015!

St. John School once again invites you to their annual Pasta Night Fundraiser.

WHEN: Thursday, April 16 (5 p.m. or 7 p.m.)

WHERE: The Polish Hall on Fairview St.

Tickets are on sale now @ \$12/adults, \$5/children 4-11 (children 3 and under eat FREE). Please phone Melanie at 905-220-1535 to order tickets or to donate a prize for our raffle tables. Business donors are promoted at this event.

11th Annual Trivia Night at Assumption

The Assumption Catholic Secondary School Annual Trivia Night will take place on Saturday, April 11 from 7 to 10 p.m. Funds go to support local charities. Register your team of 6-8 players. Cost is \$15/player. Contact Tina Di Clemente at (905) 634-1835, ext. 2022 or diclementet@hcdsb.org.

IN OTHER PARISHES

St. Paul the Apostle Fundraiser - You are invited to join us on Monday, March 16 at 1 p.m. in the parish hall for a St. Patrick's Day celebration with Irish music and dancing featuring the Manning Irish Dancers. Tickets are \$5 and there will be a table of handmade items (i.e. children's clothing) for sale. Please come help raise money for the needy.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Delightful Flavours of Portugal

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National Catholic Mission on VisionTV

The National Catholic Mission, "*Beware the Holy Spirit*," will be broadcast on Monday, March 30 (part 1) and Tuesday, March 31 (part 2) at 6 p.m. and repeated at 10 p.m., hosted by Fr. Pat Fitzpatrick.

40 Days for Life

The worldwide Prayer Vigil to end abortion and heal those affected by it takes place from February 18 to March 29 for 40 days of peaceful prayer. Gather outside Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital (327 Reynolds Street). To take part, please register at 40daysforlife.com/oakville.

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- Rose Kennedy

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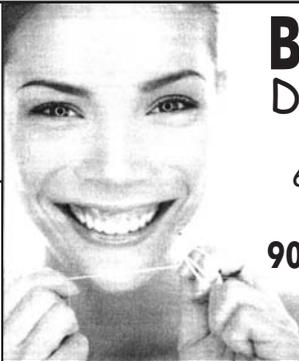
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