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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

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen as his heritage.

- Psalm 32(33)

Monday May 28

| Peter 1:3-9; Mark | 10:17-27 - No Mass

Tuesday May 29

IPeter 1:10-16; Mark 10:28-31

7 PM - John Dalev

Wednesday May 30

I Peter 1:18-25; Mark 10:32-45

9 AM - Intentions of the MacDonald Family

Thursday May 31 – Visitation of the Virgin Mary

Zephaniah 3:14-18; Luke 1:39-56

9 AM – Intentions of Cece Ulmer

Friday June 1 - St. Justin

I Peter 4:7-13: Mark 11:11-25

9 AM - Special Intentions

Saturday June 2

Jude 17:25++; Mark 11:27-33

5 PM – Deceased members of the Radziewicz family

Sunday June 3 – Body and Blood of Christ

Exodus 24:3-8; Hebrews 9:11-15; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

9 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)

11 AM – Edward Lacy

2 PM – Father Ralph Diodati's 50th Anniversary



Our Parish

Monday May 28

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday May 29

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

Wednesday May 30

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

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

Thursday May 31

Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

Friday June 1

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Saturday June 2

Baptism Preparation Meeting – 10 AM – WR

Sunday June 3

Reception for Fr. Ralph Diodati – After 2 PM Mass – Hall

CWL Message

At our May 14 meeting, the CWL of St. John the Baptist was presented with a plaque from The Good Shepherd acknowledging our donations toward their good works. It reads, "Your kindness and generosity enables the Good Shepherd to support people in our community who are suffering through crisis." Since 1987, we have donated almost \$40,000. A big thank you goes out to all those who contributed to make this donation possible.

FORMED Presents:

Science, the Origin of the Universe and God

All too often, science is employed as a means of disproving the tenants of Christianity. In this informative talk, Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ, expert in physics, philosophy and theology, debunks the incompatibility of science and faith as he discusses the origin of the universe. Find this audio presentation on our St. John the Baptist page on FORMED.org in the "Community" tab. Not registered on FORMED yet? Register for free using our parish code: RHTGK2.

The Men's Group are looking for volunteers to help park cars for the Sound of Music Festival. We desperately need volunteers on Friday, June 15 from 6 p.m. and on Saturday, June 16 from 8 to 10 p.m,. The time commitment would be 4 hours for each time slot. If you can help us at all, please contact Tim O'Brien at 905-632-2954.

Maple Villa Walking Program – Volunteers Needed

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking help from parishioners who are able to spare an hour to assist senior in wheelchairs and walkers to travel from Maple Villa to Spencer Smith Park. We need this assistance on Fridays at 10 a.m. on June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14 and October 12. If you can help, please contact us at 905-979-6460 or email us at stvatsj@gmail.com. More info on the parish website.

The Pope's Prayer Intentions for June

[⊕] That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.



Father Ralph's 50th Anniversary

Come and celebrate with Father Ralph Diodati on his 50th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination. The event will take place here at St. John's on June 3. Mass will be celebrated at 2 p.m. with a reception to follow in the parish hall. All are most welcome!

Welcoming New Catholics

Have you been quietly considering becoming a Catholic? Do you identify with this community of faith but have not been able to participate fully in the sacramental life of the church? This is an invitation to find out more about what's involved. Please phone the office and ask about the **RCIA** program that will begin in the fall.



Baptisms

The following children were baptized on Sunday, May 20, 2018:

Davis Fedosa, Kinley Gunn & Madeleine Pigott

Congratulations to their parents, Godparents and families.

IN THE DIOCESE

Do you have ideas on how to support families in our Diocese? We want to hear from you. Home is the setting where an individual's physical, mental, emotional and spiritual growth is supported. Like a garden, a home must be tended, appreciated, nurtured and respected in order to thrive. Families today need more support than ever as they raise the future generation. Are you willing to add your voice at our gathering this fall to discover ways we can help families? If yes, phone Lena at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 or email familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Ordination of Transitional Deacons

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby will ordain the following men as Transitional Deacons: **Vivek Trindade** on Friday, June 29 at 7 p.m. at St. Matthew's parish, Oakville and **John Schnurr** on Saturday, June 30 at 7 p.m. at Immaculate Conception parish, Formosa. All are welcome to participate in these celebrations.

Catechetical Correspondence Courses – Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through to high school for children not currently receiving religious instruction. Families work through the programs at home to prepare children not in Catholic Schools for 1st Communion and Confirmation. Contact Monica Verin at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com.

IN OTHER PARISHES

The Feast of Corpus Christi Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ ~ Holy Mass and procession will take place on Sunday, June 3 at 3 p.m. at Regina Mundi Church, 631 Mohawk Rd. W., Hamilton. The celebrant is The Most Reverend Matthew Ustrzycki, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton. Refreshments will follow. All are welcome.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Walk for Life Conference – every year 100,000 lives are lost to abortion in Canada. Each step in our 5km walk commemorates 14 of those lives and renews our commitment to helping women in unplanned pregnancies see a pathway to choosing life. Help raise funds for Halton Alive by join the Walk for Life. Your participation and donations help achieve our mission to educate, equip and connect the communities of Halton Region to value life at all stages. You may register your team today at www.haltonalive.com/W4L. The walk takes place on Saturday, June 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Burlington Christian Fellowship, 2054 Mountainside Dr., Burlington. BBQ lunch and a t-shirt are included. To RSVP and get information, visit the website above or phone 905-632-3232.

Pilgrimage to the Quebec Shrines

Visit Our Lady of the Cape, St. Anne de Beaupre, Blessed Frederick's Tomb, St. Joseph's Oratory, St. Joachim Church and more! August 19 to 22. Price of \$410/person includes coach bus, accommodation and hotel meals. For more details phone Louise at 905-664-1871 or Adele at 905-643-7562.



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