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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

"Stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

- John 2:16

Monday November 13

Wisdom 1:1-7; Luke 17:1-6 - No Mass

Tuesday November 14

Wisdom 2:23 - 3:9; Luke 17:7-10

7 PM – Intentions of Victor Nunes

Wednesday November 15

Wisdom 6:1-11; Luke 17:11-19

9 AM – Kathleen Ferrell

Thursday November 16

Wisdom 7:22 - 8:1: Luke 17:20-25

9 AM – Mark Ciupak

Friday November 17 - St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Wisdom 13:1-9; Luke 17:26-37

9 AM – Val Liskauskas

Saturday November 18

Wisdom 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Luke 18:1-8

5 PM - Michael O'Connor

<u>Sunday November 19</u> – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prv. 31:10-13, 16-18, 20, 26, 28-31++; 1 Thess. 5:1-6; Mat. 25:14-15, 19-21

9 AM – Joan Galea

11 AM – Pro Populo



#### Our Parish

Monday November 13

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

CWL Meeting - 7 PM - Hall

Tuesday November 14

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

RCIA - 7:30 PM - WR

Wednesday November 15

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday November 16

Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday November 17

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday November 19

Baptisms – 12:30 PM – Church

#### C.W.L. Message

Please mark Wednesday, December 6 on your calendar as our C.W.L. is hosting an **Advent Morning of Reflection**, facilitated by Father Bob Sims. All women of the parish and beyond are invited to attend and bring a friend. More details will follow soon. Our next C.W.L. **General Meeting** takes place on Monday, November 13 at 7 p.m. in the parish hall. The Conveners have requested time for a Bazaar debriefing from 7 to 7:30 – your input is welcome.

#### White Ribbon Against Pornography

For the week of Nov. 19-26, wear a white ribbon as a symbol against pornography and its harms. Today's pornography is easily available to anyone, even children. In order to protect our children we will contact members of parliament urging them to create legislation to ensure that adult websites have to verify the age of their users. Info is at the Brant St. doors.

#### A BIG THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who participated in the Parish Bazaar, helping to make it a great success. - Fr. Bob

**FORMED presents** *Who Am I to Judge?* How can we stand up for truth in a world that says there is no truth? How can we explain our moral convictions without being labeled "judgmental?" Join Dr. Edward Sri as he explores what the church teaches about truth and learn how to better explain it without fear of being "intolerant." This 8-part series is in the "Featured" section of the welcome page. Register for free using our parish code RHTGK2.

#### **Confirmation on November 20**



On Monday evening, November 20 at 7 p.m., the Most Reverend Daniel Miehm, Bishop of Peterborough, will visit St. John the Baptist Parish to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please keep these young people being confirmed in your prayers as they continue to prepare for this Sacrament.



The Knights of Columbus council #5073 is holding their **Annual Turkey Roll** on Friday, December 8 from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at the Columbus Hall, 2400 Industrial St. It will be a fun evening for everyone with a chance to win some great prizes including a turkey or a ham. Admission is free (doors open at 6 p.m.). For more information contact Michael Mark at <a href="mailto:kofc5073.turkeyroll@gmail.com">kofc5073.turkeyroll@gmail.com</a>.

**Christmas cakes and Christmas cards** will be available at the Brant Street doors after all Masses on Nov. 25/26 and Dec. 2/3. If cards are needed earlier, phone Christl at 905-639-5949.

If you did not sign up for a family portrait at the Bazaar you still have time. Professional 8x10 portraits are just \$20 and sitting times are Nov. 30 or Dec. 7, 6 - 9 p.m. Sign up after each Mass.

Also, still a chance to pre-order Christmas plants after each Mass for delivery on Dec. 2. Poinsettias, Cyclamen, Mini Cypress or Rosemary trees of different sizes and colours are available.

#### IN THE DIOCESE

#### RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through high school who are not currently receiving religious instruction (i.e. in a public or private school). These instructions prepare your child for the reception of the sacraments of **First Reconciliation**, **First Communion and Confirmation**. Visit <a href="www.hamiltondiocese.com">www.hamiltondiocese.com</a> or phone Monica at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

Join us as we celebrate the arrival of the Pentateuch volume of the **St. John's Bible**. Visit the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives at 698 King St. W. in Hamilton. Learn about the bible and engage with this beautiful work of sacred art. The Library will be open November 21-23 & 26 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit <a href="https://www.hamiltondiocese.com/stjohnsbible">www.hamiltondiocese.com/stjohnsbible</a>.

Healing after an abortion is possible. **Project Rachel** offers a *confidential* service allowing people to work through their feelings after an abortion and to find hope and healing. Please feel free to phone 905-526-1999.

## Coping with the Holidays when you have lost a loved one

Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hofman at the Chancery Office, 700 King. St. W. in Hamilton. This free event takes place on Sunday, December 3 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Kindly reserve a seat at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 but non-registered participants are still free to attend.

Attend a **Day of Prayer with the Sisters of Social Service** at 11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton, on Friday, November 24, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Bring a bag lunch; tea, coffee and muffins are provided. An offering of \$20 is suggested. To register please email <a href="mailto:sssperthshire@sympatico.ca">sssperthshire@sympatico.ca</a> or phone 905-388-3966

#### IN THE COMMUNITY

The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation is accepting applications for its initial Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. Visit www.cwlfcanada.ca.

#### **Turkey Roll and Silent Auction**

Join us Friday, December 1 at Holy Rosary School, 261 Plains Rd. E. for a Silent Auction and games of chance to win turkeys, hams, fruit baskets & more. You must be 19 or over. Admission is \$5 for a chance at door prizes and beef on a bun buffet at the end of the evening. This event is sponsored by the KofC Council 15920.

Catholic Singles Formal Christmas Dinner & Dance for Catholic singles <u>only</u> from 19-99 years, Saturday, December 9, 7:30 to 11:45 p.m. at a Toronto Church Hall. Reserve your ticket now before November 25 deadline. Cost is \$45 plus a cash bar. No tickets at the door. Phone organizer, Barb at 647-207-3162.

We usually put a great amount of preparation into big events like weddings and parties of all kinds. We should prepare much more for the final banquet in the Kingdom of Heaven. For information on the priesthood or religious life talk to the pastor, visit <a href="https://www.vocationinfo.ca">www.vocationinfo.ca</a>, or contact Fr. King, Vocation Director at the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, extension 2246.



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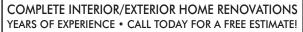
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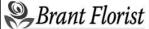
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