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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

"But you...who do you say I am?"

Monday September 17

I Corinthians 11:17-26, 33; Luke 7:1-10 - No Mass

Tuesday September 18

I Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a; Luke 7:11-17

7 PM – Cheryl Zvonkin

Wednesday September 19

I Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 7:31-35

9 AM - Winnifred Pinto

Thursday September 20 - St. Andrew Kim & Companions

I Corinthians 15:1-11: Luke 7:36-50

9 AM - Loretta Cameron

Friday September 21 - St. Matthew

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13

9 AM – Dan McBain

Saturday September 22

I Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-50++; Luke 8:4-15

5 PM - Anthony Ferro

Sunday September 23 - 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16 - 4:3; Mark 9:30-37

9 AM - Helen Black

11 AM – Pro Populo (for the parishioners)



## Our Parish

Monday September 17

Emotions Anonymous Meeting - 7 PM - WR

Tuesday September 18

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday September 19

Legion of Mary - 9:30 AM - WR

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

Thursday September 20

Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR

Choir Practice – 7 PM – Church

Bazaar Planning Meeting - 7 PM - WR

Friday September 21

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



## **CWL Message**

The CWL is all about faith, fun and fulfillment; faith through liturgy and prayer, fun through social interaction and fulfillment in the heart and soul by being a member of a national women's organization and doing good works for others.

## St. John's Annual Christmas Bazaar Saturday, November 17 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pass the word to family and friends!!
Volunteer your talents & join in the fun.
We are still accepting donations: New &
Gently-Used and Silent Auction items. Drop donations off at the church hall on Tuesday-Thursday mornings. Contact Peggy (by phone or at 905-260-8336 or blackpeg133@hotmail.com or

Thursday mornings. Contact Peggy (by phone or text) at 905-260-8336 or blackpeg133@hotmail.com or contact Dina at 905-332-8765 or iknight23@cogeco.ca. We would like to thank our donors for supporting the St. John's Christmas Bazaar: Albert McDonagh Real Estate, Bay Gardens Funeral Home, Bob's No Frills, Brant Florist, Brant IDA Pharmacy, Burlington Toyota, Clark V. Craig, Lawyer, Coffee Culture Brant St., Concept Air Systems, Discovery Ford, Dodsworth & Brown Funeral Home, Gibsons Pharmacy, Holland Park Garden Gallery, Jack Hayes, Artist, Jay Dee Accounting, Keora, Mirella's, Nothing Bundt Cakes, Pizza Nova Brant St., Rockin' Jump, Rosehill Liquidators, Shelagh Desrochers Real Estate, Smith's Funeral Home, The Pond, The Works Restaurant, Tim Horton's Roseland, Verwey Automotive, Walker's Chocolates, Walking on a Cloud.

## Children's Liturgy

The Children's Liturgy program will commence on **Sunday, September 23** at the 11 o'clock Mass and will continue each Sunday except for certain holidays. The program is open to children in Jr. Kindergarten through Grade 4. Sign-up sheets are located at the church doors and you are asked to complete one and have your child bring it down to their first liturgy class.

## New Altar Servers

This notice is for any students in grade 4 and up attending public schools or Catholic elementary schools who are interested in becoming Altar Servers. Please speak to Fr. Bob and pick up an application form from him in the priest's sacristy at weekend Masses.

## IN THE DIOCESE

## **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 October 12, 2018, phone 905-664-5212 or send an email to <a href="mailtonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca">hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca</a>. The website may be found at www.retrouvaille.org.

Grief Relief - Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life and wondering if these feelings are normal? You are not alone! Grief Relief is a six-week educational and support series dealing with grief, offered on Tuesdays, October 23 to November 27 at the Chancery Office, Hamilton, from 1 – 3:30 p.m. You are free to attend all sessions, or any one or more as you are able. To register, phone the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com.

## **Project Rachel**

Healing after an aboration is possible. At Project Rachel, caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often follow an abortion. We offer a *confidential* service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please phone 905-526-1999.

### RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN

As we know, all of the sacraments require preparation. The Diocese provides a programs for children from Kindergarten through high school who are not currently receiving religious instruction (i.e. in a public or private, not Catholic school), to prepare them for 1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion and Confirmation. **Confirmations** are celebrated in the fall for children in grade 7. If your child does not attend a Catholic school, please visit <a href="https://www.hamiltondiocese.com">www.hamiltondiocese.com</a> or phone Monica Verin at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 to see if the Catechetical Correspondence Program is right for you.

The Diocese of Hamilton has decided to move forward with a parish-focused capital campaign after a recent study found support from 83 percent of the respondents. The planning study was conducted from May through June by the Steier Group, a campaign consulting firm, and included more than 900 clergy and lay participants. Under the proposed campaign plan, 75 percent of the funds raised would go to parishes for projects of their choosing, 15 percent to diocesan ministries and 10 percent to support parishes in need. On the diocesan campaign website, <a href="www.hamiltondiocese.com/campaign">www.hamiltondiocese.com/campaign</a>, you can find a letter from Bishop Crosby about the study and the campaign, plus a more detailed summary of the planning study results.

## IN THE COMMUNITY

Enjoy Family Bowling at Burlington Bowl on Sunday, September 23 from 1-3 p.m. Come for 2 hours of bowling, shoe rental, pizza and soft drinks. Income tax receipts are provided for donations. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 5073. Visit www.sianbradwell.com for details.

The Halton Alive Fundraising Gala and Auction will take place on Friday, October 19 at St. Joseph's Ukrainian Banquet Centre. Enjoy a 3-course dinner, music, silent auction and photo booth. Early bird tickets are \$75 until September 19. Proceeds support the work and mission of Halton Alive in the local community. RSVP at <a href="https://www.haltonalive.com/gala">www.haltonalive.com/gala</a> or phone 905-632-3232.

Join **Life Chain 2018** on Sunday, September 30 from 2:30 -3:30 p.m. at Fairview St. and Maple Ave. This annual event is a prayerful, peaceful and silent witness for the unborn. Join Pro-Lifers across North America as we make a visual statement of solidarity to end abortion and stand for those without a voice.

A Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking can help you develop your public speaking skills. The next course begins on Tuesday, September 25 at McMaster University. To register or for more information, phone Frank at 905-662-4076 or visit www.clchamilton.com.



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