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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**



# Mass Intentions

*"Praise the Lord, who lifts up the poor."*

- Psalm 113:1a, 7b

## Monday September 19

Proverbs 3:27-34; Luke 8:16-18 – *No Mass*

## Tuesday September 20 – *Sts. Tae-gon, Ha-sang & Companions*

Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13; Luke 8:19-21

7 PM – Mabel Girouard

## Wednesday September 21 – *St. Matthew*

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

9 AM – Intentions of Barbara Marshall

## Thursday September 22

Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Luke 9:7-9

9 AM – Anthony Ferro

## Friday September 23 – *St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)*

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Luke 9:18-22

9 AM – Intentions of Grace Pearce

## Saturday September 24

Ecclesiastes 11:9 – 12:8; Luke 9:43b-45

5 PM – Marjorie Lavery

## Sunday September 25 – *26th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Albert Yonan



## C.W.L. Message

A big **THANKYOU** to all the women who attended our meeting last week. We continue to collect items; new and next-to-new, jewelry and soft-cover books for the Bazaar which will take place on November 5/6 in the parish hall. Please drop off your donations to the HALL on TUESDAY MORNINGS between 10 and 11:30. Thank you.

## 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 Father Bob and pick up an application form from him in the priest's sacristy at Mass.

## Childrens' Liturgy

The Children's Liturgy (for children in Junior Kindergarten to Grade 4) will take place throughout the school year during the 11 o'clock Mass. This year, Father Bob asks anyone interested in facilitating to feel free to speak to him before or after Mass or phone the parish office to leave your details so he can contact you.

**Office hour change:** beginning the week of October 31st, the parish office will be open Mondays to Thursdays only. The hours will remain the same. The office will be **closed** all day on **Fridays** starting November 4.



## Our Parish

### Monday September 19

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

### Tuesday September 20

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

### Wednesday September 21

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

### Thursday September 22

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Choir Loft

### Friday September 23

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



## REGARDING PARKING

Anyone who parks in the **Fire Route** along the entrance area in front of St. John School will be subject to a fine of \$100 imposed by the City of Burlington. Even during Mass times on the weekends; there are no off-hours and the city will impose the fine. The Fire Route is designated 24/7 for fire trucks only, therefore, park there at your own risk.

**Knights of Columbus** - All men who are interested in helping those in need, serving our parish, growing in faith or obtaining exclusive access to top-rated insurance protection for your family, the Knights of Columbus is the organization for you. Contact Michael Enright at 905-315-1744.

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## IN THE DIOCESE

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Attend a **Day of Prayer with the Sisters of Social Service** at 11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton, Friday, September 30, 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](mailto:ssspertshire@sympatico.ca).

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### Heal Your Heart

Are you dealing with a loss in your life such as the death of a spouse, child or miscarriage, divorce, job loss, loss of home, health, pet, culture, infertility, romantic relationship, ailing parents? There is help – you are invited to join a series of Group Bereavement Workshops aiming at mending conflicting emotions that hold you back from enjoying life. This is a 6-week course on Wednesdays at 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. starting October 5 and each Wednesday until November 9 at Burloak Longos Loft Meeting Room. To register, go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or phone the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249. The cost is \$35 including material.

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### Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? Grief Relief is a six-week educational series dealing with grief. You are welcome on Thursdays from October 13 to November 17, 1:30 - 3 p.m. at the Diocese of Hamilton Chancery Office. There is no cost. To register, phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2249.

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### Year of Mercy Pilgrim Sunday

All are welcome to come to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for a Year of Mercy Pilgrimage and pass through the Doors of Mercy on Sunday, October 16. The Doors of Mercy will open at 2 p.m., followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:30, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction will begin at 3 p.m. Pilgrims are welcome to stay for the 4 p.m. Mass that day.



**Retrouvaille** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **October 14**, please phone **905-664-5212** or visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

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### Jubilee of Families

Join us on Saturday, October 15; speakers will include Bishop Daniel Miehm who will celebrate the Mass at 5 p.m. Participants will have a chance to see the new St. John's Bible and enter the Cathedral Basilica through the Holy Doors. Come and celebrate; parent or not, single or married, young or old, plan to attend – there will be a program for children and a special workshop for grandparents. To register, see Diocesan website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) under upcoming events.

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## IN OTHER PARISHES

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**Rosary Crusade** - St. Charles Garnier Parish will host a Rosary Crusade from October 3 - 12. We will pray the Rosary; come join us in prayer and benediction. Light candles for loved ones. All are welcome.

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## IN THE COMMUNITY

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### LIFE CHAIN 2016

On Sunday, October 2, meet at the corner of Fairview St. and Maple Ave. between 2:30 and 3:30 p.m. Join thousands across North America in a prayerful, peaceful, silent witness for the unborn.

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### 40 Days for Life, September 28 – November 6

Join Christians around the world for 40 Days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. We stand outside and peacefully pray across from the Oakville Trafalgar Hospital. For info and to choose a time slot, go to [www.40daysforlife.com/oakville](http://www.40daysforlife.com/oakville).

We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Do you have vocation questions? To speak to someone about your vocation questions, contact Fr. King at 905-528-7988 x 2246 or visit [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca).



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