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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



Mass Intentions

“And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus.”

- Luke 16:20

Monday September 26 – St. John De Brebeuf & St. Isaac Jogues
Revelation 7:9-17; 2 Corinthians 4:7-15; Luke 9:23-26 – *No Mass*

Tuesday September 27 – St. Vincent de Paul
Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Luke 9:51-56

7 PM – Loreta Aquilina

Wednesday September 28

Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Luke 9:57-62

9 AM – Mary Proska

Thursday September 29 – St. Michael, St. Gabriel & St. Raphael

Revelation 12:7-12a; John 1:47-51

9 AM – Marisa Saczkowski

Friday September 30 – St. Jerome

Job 38:12-21, 40:3-5; Luke 10:13-16

9 AM – Agnes Murray

Saturday October 1 – St. Therese of the Child Jesus

Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-13, 15-17+; Luke 10:17-24

2:30 PM – Wedding of Christopher Alward & Cosette Rodriguez

5 PM – 50th Wedding Anniversary of Kai & Mary Kristiansen

Sunday October 2 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10

9 AM – Rose Laffan

11 AM – Pro Populo

C.W.L. Message

Our **General Meeting** will take place on Monday, October 3 at 7 p.m. in the parish hall. We continue to collect items for the **Bazaar** on November 5/6 – new and next to new, jewelry and soft cover books. Please bring any donations to the hall on Tuesday mornings between 10 and 11:30 a.m. Thank you very much.

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.

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.

Childrens' Liturgy

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



Our Parish

Monday September 26

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday September 27

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

RCIA – 7 PM – WR

Wednesday September 28

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday September 29

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Choir Loft

Friday September 30

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday October 2

Baptism Preparation Meeting – 10:30 AM – Hall



Baptisms

The following children were baptized

On September 18, 2016:

Matthew Baverstock & Aidan LaCombe

Congratulations to their parents,
Godparents and families

IN THE DIOCESE

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 sssperthshire@sympatico.ca.

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 or phone the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249. The cost is \$35 including material.

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.

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.

Thinking about Separation or Divorce? Retrouvaille is designed to help marriages regain their health and help spouses re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. The program is highly successful saving marriages, even bringing reconciliation to couples that have already separated or divorced. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **Oct. 14**, please visit www.retrouvaille.org or phone 905-664-5212.

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, visit www.hamiltondiocese.com.

IN OTHER PARISHES

A Receptionist/Secretary is needed at **St. Gabriels Church** for a 20 hour/week contract position. Submit resume and covering letter to Fr. Jacek Kryn, St. Gabriel's Parish, 2261 Parkway Dr., Burlington, before September 30.

Attend the *Men of Faith Breakfast* on Saturday, October 1 from 8 to 9 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 715 Centre Rd., Waterdown. A Marian Day Mass with Bishop Ustrzycki at 10 a.m. follows along with Reconciliation, Stations and Children's activities. Phone to register at 905-689-4857.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Birthright Hamilton offers free pregnancy tests, counseling and many other services; helping those faced with an unplanned pregnancy say "yes" to life. Can you volunteer? If so, phone 905-527-3677 and ask for Eva.

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.

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.

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