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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.



Mass Intentions

..the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord...

James 5:4

Monday September 28

Zechariah 8:1-8; Luke 9:46-50 - No Mass

<u>Tuesday September 29</u> – *St. Michael, St. Gabriel & St. Raphael* Revelation 12:7-12a; John 1:47-51

7 PM - Albert Van Impe

Wednesday September 30 - St. Jerome

Nehemiah 2:1-8; Luke 9:57-62

9 AM - Arthur Bezaire

Thursday October 1 - St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus

Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Luke 10:1-12

9 AM - Eleonora Frasson

Friday October 2 - Holy Guardian Angels

Exodus 23:20-23a; Matthew 18:1-5, 10

9 AM - Deceased members of the LaFlamme family

Saturday October 3

Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29; Luke 10:17-24

5 PM - Mary Josefik

Sunday October 4 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 2:7ab, 15, 18-24; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16

9 AM – Marica Rumi

11 AM – Pro Populo



Our Parish

Monday September 28

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday September 29

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

Wednesday September 30

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA 6:15 PM - Hall

Thursday October 1

Cenacle Group 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 12:30 – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday October 2

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall

Sunday October 4

Baptism Preparation Meeting – 10 AM – WR



The **October General Meeting** will be held on Monday, October 5 at 7 p.m. due to Thanksgiving Monday on the 12th. The women are very busy on Tuesday mornings working at crafts and still accepting donations of new and gently used items, small electrical appliances, paperback books and jewelry. Also the women on the Bazaar Committee invite any parishioners who can contribute to the **Silent Auction** to contact Ann at 905-637-9980 or come to the parish hall on Tuesdays between 10 and 12 noon. Silent Auction items could be gift certificates for establishments/services or brand new items. Any Silent Auction items should be dropped off by October 27. Thank you for all of your support.

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 the weekend Masses.

Do You Like to Sing?

Choir practice has resumed for the 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. Masses. New singers are most welcome! Practices are Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. in the choir loft – no experience necessary. Please visit Leslie in the choir loft if you have any questions.

Attention Children!!!

The Children's Choir is excited to resume and is looking for new members. Please come to the choir loft after Mass for more information.

Papal Prayer Intentions for October

- † That human trafficking, the modern form of slavery, may be eradicated.
- † That with a missionary spirit the Christian communities of Asia may announce the Gospel to those who are still awaiting it.





Baptisms

Welcomed into our parish community through Baptism on Sunday, September 20, 2015:

Jake Brasil, Ewan McKillop Landen Parenti & Brixton Simek

Congratulations to their parents, Godparents and family.

IN THE DIOCESE

If you feel called by God to explore the call to the priesthood or religious life, please join our **Discernment Gathering** on the 1st and 2nd Saturdays of the month, starting in October. Contact the Vocations Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2231 or visit www.HamtiltonVocations.com.

All are invited to gather with Bishop Crosby and members of religious communities of the Diocese for a **Mass of Thanksgiving for the Year of Consecrated Life** at 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 1 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk St., Guelph.

Development and Peace

Workshops are again being organized across the Diocese to give parishioners and clergy an opportunity to understand the issues at hand. Everyone is welcome if you have an interest in taking part in the D & P campaigns. A workshop for the Hamilton Deanery will take place on Tuesday, September 29, at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 305 East 37th Street, Hamilton, from 7 to 9 p.m.

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES FOR CHILDREN

The Hamilton Diocese provides correspondence programs for Catholic children from Kindergarten through high school, not receiving religious instruction to prepare them for the sacraments. To register, phone Monica at the Catechesis Office of the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

Do you wish you could take time as a couple to rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day? Attend a **Marriage Encounter Weekend** on October 17/18 at the St. Ignatius Retreat Centre in Deemerton. Phone the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988, ext, 2249 for information.

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? For confidential information about, or to register for the Hamilton Diocesan program which begins with a weekend on October 23 - 25 in Niagara Falls please phone 905-664-5212 or email <a href="mailton-hamilton-ha

IN OTHER PARISHES

Christmas Bazaars:

Holy Rosary – Saturday, November 7, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., 287 Plains Rd. E., Aldershot

St. Ann's – Saturday, November 14 from 2-7 p.m. and Sunday, November 15 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Barton St. E. & Sherman Ave., Hamilton

IN THE COMMUNITY

40 Days for Life - This year's campaign runs from September 23 - November 1, each day from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Everyone is invited to join this peaceful prayer vigil at the Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital, 327 Reynolds St. Register at www.40daysforlife.com/oakville.

Life Chain - Sunday, October 4 - a silent, prayerful witness to end abortion and remember the lives of over 54 million unborn children. Join hundreds of others from 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. in Burlington at Fairview St. & Maple Ave. Contact Halton Alive for info at 905-632-3232. Arrive early to pick up your sign.

Vocation View

Nobody is worthy to do God's work, but still God calls. There is enough ministry for many more. For information on the priesthood or religious life, talk to the pastor or Rev. Wojciech Kuzma, Vocation Director at 905-528-7988, ext. 2246 or visit www.vocationinfo.ca.

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