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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.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EVERY FRIDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS - 12 NOON**

## 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](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

## MINISTRY TO SICK/SHUT-INS

Please notify the Rectory Office and arrange Communion.

## CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

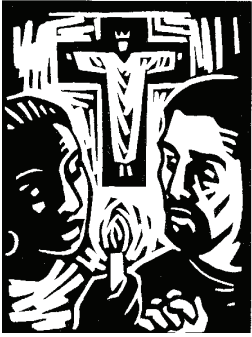
When a death occurs in your family please advise the priest immediately and they will assist you in making the liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial, contact the cemetery office at (905) 522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

## 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.



# Mass Intentions

*"...where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."*

- Matthew 18:20

Monday September 4

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Luke 4:16-30 – *No Mass*

Tuesday September 5

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Luke 4:31-37

7 PM – Jackie Grant

Wednesday September 6

Colossians 1:1-8; Luyke 4:38-44

9 AM – Mildred Ralston

Thursday September 7

Colossians 1:9-14; Luke 5:1-11

9 AM – Monique Grenier

Friday September 8 – *Nativity of the Virgin Mary*

Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23

9 AM – Mary Kavanagh

Saturday September 9

Colossians 1:21-23; Luke 6:1-5

5 PM – Joseph DiRuzza

Sunday September 10 – *23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Ethel & Charlie Adams



## Our Parish

Monday September 4

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday September 5

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday September 6

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday September 7

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday September 8

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



Welcome  
back students  
and teachers!

*Reminder: The parish office will be closed on Labour Day, Monday, September 4.*

## C.W.L. Message

You are invited to join us for our next **General Meeting** being held on **Monday, September 11** at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

## 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.

## St. John's Christmas Bazaar

St. John's Christmas Bazaar will take place on November 4 and we are still looking for help. Can you help at the Bazaar? Or maybe you can donate goods or services for the Silent Auction? Do you have new or gently used Christmas or other items? Can you bake goodies for the bake sale? Any help is appreciated and will help to make the Bazaar a success! Donations and Silent Auction items can be dropped off in the parish hall on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings. For any other help that you can offer please contact Peggy Black by email at [blackpeg133@hotmail.com](mailto:blackpeg133@hotmail.com) or phone 905-309-9865 or Dina Knight at [jknight23@cogeco.ca](mailto:jknight23@cogeco.ca) or phone 905-332-8765.

## RCIA - Welcoming New Catholics

*Have you been quietly considering becoming a Catholic? Do you identify with this community of faith but have not been able to participate fully in the sacramental life of the church? This is an invitation to find out more about what's involved. Please phone the office and ask about the RCIA program that begins in the fall.*

## Like to Sing?

Choir practices resumes on Thursday, September 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the choir loft. Everyone is *most* welcome. No experience necessary. For more information, please come up to visit the loft after any weekend Mass. Thank you.

**The Knights of Columbus 2018 Cash Calendar** will be on sale at the doors following all Masses next weekend. Prizes range from \$20 to \$500 and are drawn for each weekday (Mondays through Fridays) as well as several 'special day' draws throughout the year. Winning numbers are returned to the drum to take part in all subsequent draws. At a cost of \$20, these calendars would make a great Christmas stocking stuffer. For more info, phone Michael Enright (parish representative) at 905-315-1744.

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## IN THE DIOCESE

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### FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM

The "Foundations for Ministry" Program is a course designed to offer lay Catholics the opportunity to learn more about the foundations of our faith: This foundation is useful to parishioners who serve in a variety of ministries. The course will be offered in Hamilton starting Thursday, September 14. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 or check out our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) for more information and registration forms.

**Paths to Prayer** - This 6-part Senior Adult Workshop Series is being held on Tuesdays starting September 19, from 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. at the Chancery Office. Each session will include discussion, reflection and faith sharing and will be facilitated by Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND. The cost of \$35 includes the text, *Paths to Prayer*. Please register by September 5. For more information, email Monica at [mverin@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mverin@hamiltondiocese.com) or phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

### 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, not Catholic school). These instructions will prepare your child for the reception of the sacraments of Reconciliation, 1st Communion and Confirmation. For information and registration forms, phone 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.



### Fostering Faith through Grandparents

Join us for a special celebration on Saturday, September 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Basilica of Our Lady Parish in Guelph (28 Norfolk St.). Attend Mass at 9:30 a.m., followed by refreshments and speakers. There is no charge. Please contact Monica at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or email [mverin@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mverin@hamiltondiocese.com).

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### The Pope's Prayer Intention for September

✠ That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

#### Diocesan Prayer Intentions for the week:

Rev. Ken Miskiewicz

Rev. Terence Sehl

Oblates of Mary Immaculate (O.M.I.)

Rev. Michael Anderson

Rev. Wallace Metcalf

Rev. Charles Scheffer

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## IN THE COMMUNITY

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**Halton Alive** invites you to a fun evening of community, conversation and speakers as you support the local work of Halton Alive at their fundraising Gala and Silent Auction. The evening begins at 6 p.m. at St. Joseph Banquet Hall in Oakville on Friday, October 20. Tickets are \$75 by phoning 905-632-3232 or email [info@haltonalive.com](mailto:info@haltonalive.com).

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### ADOPTION INFORMATION NIGHT

Have you considered adoption? Would you like to be part of a child's story? Come to an Adoption Information Night with the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton on Wednesday, September 20 from 7-9 p.m. at 735 King St. E. in Hamilton. To register, phone Jocelyn at 905-525-2012, ext. 3125 or email her at [jocelyn.jacobs@hamiltonccas.on.ca](mailto:jocelyn.jacobs@hamiltonccas.on.ca). The website is [www.hamiltonccas.on.ca](http://www.hamiltonccas.on.ca).

**Vocations** - *If you feel you are being called to the priesthood, consecrated life or the diaconate, contact Rev. Michael King, Vocation Director, by phone at 905-528-7988 x 2246, or email Father King at [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com) or visit the Diocesan website at [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca).*



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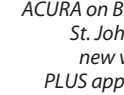
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