Catherine of Siena Parish

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<u>Pastor:</u> Rev. Mark Gatto <u>Associate Pastor:</u> Rev. Patras Samuel Masih <u>Deacon:</u> Rev. Mr. Tom Vert Office Manager: Rachel Alfano Music Directors: Sharon Fazari - Corpus Christi site Caretakers: Peter Gibbs- Corpus Christi site P.J. Walsh- Our Lady of Lourdes site

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Parish Office Hours

♦ Mon-Fri 9:00am 12:00noon ♦ or by appointment

SUNDAY MASS:

Sat. 5:00pm Sun. 9:00am, 11:00am

> <u>RECONCILIATION:</u> Sat. 3:30-4:30pm (or by appointment)

Corpus Christi Site:

1694 Upper James St., Hamilton, ON ♦ L9B 1K6 Telephone: 905-389-2472 ♦ Fax: 905-389-7525 Parish Office Hours ♦ Appointment only

SUNDAY MASS:

Sat. 5:00pm, Sun. 9:00am, 11:00am

#### WEEKDAY MASS:

Tues. 6:30pm Thurs. 9:00am

<u>RECONCILIATION</u>: Sat. 4:00-4:30pm (or by appointment)

**<u>BAPTISMS</u>**: Please contact the office at least 2 months prior to desired date.

#### **Becoming Catholic-RCIA:**

For those not Baptized, or who have not yet completed their initiation, please call the office or speak to one of the priests.

*MARRIAGE:* Couples intending to marry, kindly contact the office about a year in advance. Wedding Anniversary Blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

FUNERALS: When a family death occurs, please contact the office for assistance with arrangements.

WEEKDAY MASS:

Thurs. 7:00pm

Wed. & Fri., 8:30am

VOCATIONS: Diocese of Hamilton www.hamiltonvocations.com

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca 905-522-7727

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH:

Corpus Christi: 905-389-3940 St. Marguerite d'Youville:905-387-4600

*Our Lady of Lourdes: 905-383-9233 St. Teresa of Calcutta: 905-318-7933*  *St. John Paul II: 905-525-1300 St. Jean De Brebeuf Secondary: 905-388-7020* 

# **ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**

#### **Our Financial Stewardship:**

September 25/26 \$ 5214.70

<u>Month of September – Canada Helps (online)</u> Regular Offering \$ 2961.62

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Mass for the		Intentions Week

## Corpus Christi site:

Tues Oct 5	6:30pm	Emmett & Isobel Kelly Michael Kelly Mandy Kelly Stan Jacobs Italia Pongetti Louise Lewis
Wed Oct 6		No Mass
Thurs Oct 7	9:00am	
Fri Oct 8		No Mass
Sat Oct 9	5:00pm	

## Our Lady of Lourdes:

Tues Oct 5		No Mass
Wed Oct 6	8:30am	Domenico & Lucia Toscani
Thurs Oct 7	7:00pm	Jose Ernesto Aquadalto Donald Bates
Fri Oct 8	8:30am	Ernesto Giardino
Sat Oct 9	5:00pm	Manolo Halili Maria Amaral Rodel Naguit Leo Hickey Roy Cabanas Angelo Sbrissa

#### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

Mon	Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis
Tues	Rev. Donald Wilhelm
Wed	Felician Franciscan Sisters (C.S.S.F.)
Thurs	Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan
Fri	Rev. Valentine Onwunjiogu
Sat	Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean-Pierre

### 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>, 21

In the Gospel many people hunger for a small amount of food. In our day, there are too many people for the small number of priests, sisters, brothers and deacons. We too must trust in the Lord by praying for vocations. If you feel God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2222. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations

**Come join us!** We have started a group that are working on sleeping mats for people experiencing homelessness. These plarn mats are crocheted using the outer milk bags which are washed, cut into strips and looped together to make the yarn used in making the sleeping mats. We are appealing to parishioners to save the milk bags and to help with the crocheting of the mats. There will be a box clearly marked to place the **clean milk bags** as well as the completed mats at the back of the church.

Collection of milk bags will be once a month starting **Thanksgiving weekend**.

500 milk bags are needed to complete a 3ft x 6ft plarn sleeping mat.

If you are interested in joining our group please call Elizabeth @905-387-5324 epaal81@gmail.com

October 9+10~collection of milk bags Work shop: Please bring a ruler and scissors Saturday October 16<sup>th</sup> 1pm to 3pm At Our Lady of Lourdes Site.

## <u>Statement from the Canadian Catholic Bishops</u> <u>on Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples of</u> <u>Canada</u>

The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally.

Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, they invited the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. They further committed to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves. A delegation of Indigenous survivors,

Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous Peoples, so as to discern how he can support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. The Bishops of Canada have pledged to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey. We are committed to continue the journey with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit www.cccb.ca.

## **COVID Vaccines**

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, O.M.I, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

The new Diocese of Hamilton Vaccination Policy asks all Priests, Deacons and Employees to be vaccinated. In our parish, all of these have been vaccinated. Also, all liturgical ministers: Ushers, Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist are **required** to be vaccinated. Therefore, at the end of this present schedule, we would ask you to temporarily suspend your service in any of these ministries if you have not been vaccinated. When the situation has changed you will be welcome to return to the ministry. If your status changes and you do get vaccinated then you are also welcome to return to the ministry. We ask you to contact Rachel via email stcatherinehamilton@hamiltondiocese.com to inform her if you will be required to temporarily suspend your service. We appreciate your ministry in the parish but we are required to follow Diocesan policy and to provide an environment that makes the majority of our parishioners feel safe at church.

Join our mailing list to receive the Church Bulletin and important Parish News & Events in your Inbox. Visit our website at catherineofsienachurch.ca and SIGN UP on the join our emailing list box. You will be asked to type your first name and email address and then press submit. You will then receive it each week in your email inbox.

