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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.

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

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

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!

- Psalm 65(66)

Monday May 22

Acts 16:11-15; John 15:26-16:4a - No Mass

Tuesday May 23

Acts 16:22-34; John 16:5-11

7 PM – Special Intentions

Wednesday May 24

Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; John 16:12-15

9 AM – George Wirth

Thursday May 25

Acts 18:1-8; John 16:16-20 (School Mass)

9 AM - Earl Lamore

Friday May 26 - St. Philip Neri

Acts 13:26-33; John 14:1-6

9 AM – Frank Opavsky

Saturday May 27

Acts 18:23-28; John 16:23b-28

5 PM – Frank Majpruz

Sunday May 28 – Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23; Matthew 28:16-20

9 AM - Pro Populo

11 AM – Shirley Farr



Our Parish

Monday May 22

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday May 23

CWL Craft Group - 10 AM - Hall

Wednesday May 24

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA - 6:15 PM - Hall

Liturgy of the Hours/Adoration – 5:45 PM – Church

Thursday May 25

Cenacle Group - 9:30 AM - WR

Christian Meditation – 1 PM – WR

Friday May 26

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



The parish office will be closed on Monday, May 22. Enjoy the Victoria Day weekend and stay safe.

C.W.L. Message

The CWL needs members of all ages to maintain our League and celebrate this variety in perspective of the young and the old, the future and the past. This diversity will bring strength and vitality to all our members.

Knights of Columbus Council 5073 Charity Golf Tournament

Join the **Knights of Columbus** fundraising Annual Charity Golf Tournament on Thursday, June 15 at Century Pines Golf Course (\$160/golfer). To register to play phone Mario at 905-632-3201 or email mariocolaianni@hotmail.ca. Sponsor a hole through Jere Hartnett, 905-637-3934 or jhartnett2@cogeco.ca. To make a prize donation phone Michael at 905-333-3623 or email mysmark18@sympatico.ca. The proceeds raised will go to Partnership West Food Bank, Carpenter Hospice and more. For more information, please visit www.kofc5073.ca.

RCIA

Are you interested in becoming Roman Catholic? The RCIA (Roman Catholic Initiation of Adults) begins each year in the fall. We welcome your inquiries and also people who might be interested in coming out as sponsors one night a week. Please phone the church office at 905-634-2485 and leave your contact information so we can get in touch and get you started.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

All are invited to attend Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the evening of Wednesday, May 24 from 5:45 p.m. until 8 p.m. We will begin by praying the Liturgy of the Hours at 5:45 p.m., followed by Adoration. The evening will conclude with Benediction at 7:45 p.m. This is going to be an evening of silent reflection. You are welcome to come for as much or as little time as you like. Please note: Deacon Rob will be using a small amount of incense during the Benediction portion.

Please remember to pick up your envelope sets from the parish office if you haven't done so.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is once again offering to sponsor a limited number of students in grades one to eight wishing to attend a nearby Summer Camp or a Recreational Day Program For more information please phone 905-979-6460 or e-mail us at stvatsj@gmail.com.

IN THE DIOCESE

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 school). These instructions prepare your child for the reception of the sacraments of **First Reconciliation**, **First Communion and Confirmation**. Visit www.hamiltondiocese.com or phone Monica at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

On Saturday, May 27 at 11 a.m., Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the **Spring Memorial Mass** at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. All are welcome. For more information, phone 905–522–7727.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? On Sunday, June 25, at 1:30 pm., Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest). Please register by June 1. Details are available on the poster at the Brant Street entrance.

Attend a **Day of Prayer with the Sisters of Social Service** at 11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton, on Friday, May 26, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Please bring a bag lunch; tea, coffee and muffins will be provided. An offering of \$20 is suggested. To register, please phone 905-388-3966 or email sssperthshire@sympatico.ca.

Participate in **Marian Pilgrimage Days** in this centenary year of the Fatima appearances of Our Lady. Each month, we will fulfill the request of Our Lady of Fatima to join with her in prayer, invoking blessings and graces for our families, church and the world by gathering at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Waterdown. A plenary indulgence is available to those who attend and perform all the obligations attached to the indulgence. Each day begins with Mass, features a Marian Procession, praying the rosary, Stations of the Cross and time in the Marian garden. The program is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pack a lunch. The dates are: June 3, July 1, August 5, Sept. 2 and Oct. 14. Visit the website at www.stthomaswaterdown.com/pilgrimage/.

IN OTHER PARISHES

Communion Breakfast

St. Gabriel's CWL invites you to a Communion Breakfast on May 28 at 9:30 a.m. in the parish centre. Everyone is welcome. Tickets can be purchased from Josephine at 905-332-3058 for \$15. The guest speaker will be Father Tom Murphy.

IN THE COMMUNITY

Cross of Victory Pilgrimage

The Pilgrimage takes place from August 5 to August 12; you are welcome to join for a day, or two or the whole week as we walk to the Martyr's Shrine in Midland, camping almost all the way, singing and praying for about 8 hours a day. For information, including photographs and video, search "Cross of Victory Pilgrimage 2017" or contact David Foster at 416-892-8819 or CofVPilgrimage@gmail.com.

Vocation View

The Lord said, "I will not leave you orphaned." Please pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, consecrated life or the diaconate. If God may be calling you, contact Rev. Michael King, Vocation Director, by phone at 905-528-7988 x 2246, by email at mking@hamiltondiocese.com or visit the Diocesan website at www.vocationinfo.ca.

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