

**MASS INTENTIONS
October 24 - 29, 2017**

Tuesday, 24th - Weekday
9:00 am Intentions of Iona & Roland – Rena, Rita & Pat

Wednesday, 25th - Weekday
9:00 am +David Gray – Helen & Murray Shantz
7:00 pm No Mass

No Weekday Masses Thurs. Oct. 26 & Fri. Oct. 27 due to Clergy Seminar

Saturday, 28th - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
2:00 pm Wedding of Brendan Donelson & Paula Schnurr
5:00 pm Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday, 29th - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am Intentions of Franz Schweiger – Ray & JoAnn Klimchuck
+Reno & Tony Ianni – Angela Ianni
+David Hanley – Bernard & Rose Hanley
+Guy Sr. & Guy Jr. Ferraccioli – Joan Ferraccioli
+Peter Englehutt – St. Francis of Assisi Choir Community

11:00 am Intentions of Sheila & Claude Mathews – Jennie Rodzen
Intentions of Madeline Haller – Marg Beckner
Intentions of Sr. Anne Rektor SSND – Mary Ann Sellner & Family
+Douglas Totzke – Emilie Totzke & Family
+Anne Mary Schmalz – the Family

October 22, 2017

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 14/15 Collection \$5 259.80
Total Collected to Date **\$226,550.00**
2017 Budget to Date **\$251,985.00**

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Oct. 23: **Rev. Jarek Pachocki, OMI**
Tues. Oct. 24: **Rev. Joseph Durkacz**
Wed. Oct. 25: **Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny**
Thu. Oct. 26: **Rev. Henryk Krajewski, CR**
Fri. Oct. 27: **Rev. Janusz Roginski, SAC**
Sat. Oct. 28: **Rev. Peter Coughlin**

“The search for peace is an open-ended task, a responsibility that never ends and that demands the commitment of everyone.”



~ @Pontifex, October 9, 2017

Looking Ahead to Oct. 29, 2017

30th SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME

Exodus 22: 21-27
1 Thessalonians 1: 5c-10 Matthew 22: 34-40

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH

Monday
Celebrating the Word (RR) 7:30 pm

Tuesday
Celebrating the Word (RR) 1:30 pm
Levels I & II (RR & ER) 7:00 pm

Wednesday
Team Meeting (Office Closed) 10am – noon
Prayer Shawl Ministry (ER) 1:00 pm
CWL Executive Mtg (ER) 7:30 pm

Thursday
Choir Practice (C) 7:30 pm

Sunday
Altar Server Training (C) 12:00 pm

Saturday/Sunday
Development & Peace Campaign At Masses

CHRISTMAS CARDS

This is your last chance to order Christmas Cards! There are six St. Francis of Assisi themed styles to choose from, samples are in the church foyer. All styles are \$10 per box. You must place your **order by Oct. 29** so we can have the cards ready for pickup a month before Christmas. Order forms are in the foyer.

NEW: SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

On the first Wednesday of each month, beginning Wednesday, November 1st, the sacrament of anointing will be offered at both our weekday masses (9:00 am and 7:00 pm). Anyone in need of this amazing grace from God which offers us healing, comfort, strength, courage, and so much more for our physical, spiritual or mental well-being is invited to receive this sacrament.

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL MASS

On Thursday November 2, the Feast of All Souls, we will celebrate a Memorial Mass to honour our loved ones who have passed away. All are invited to join us for Mass at 7pm, followed by a time of fellowship in the parish hall. When a member of our community passes into Eternal Life we all grieve, remember and celebrate their life together, as one faith community, so please join us.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Have you lost a significant person in your life through death? Are you feeling overwhelmed by your grief? Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? You may be interested in joining people who are experiencing the same feelings. A 12 week Bereavement Support Group will begin Mon. Nov. 6 from 1-3pm here at St. Francis Parish. For more info please call Barbara Diemert, 519-744-8955 or the parish office. You do not walk this path alone.

From the Pastors Desk:

Last week I spoke about kissing in church, specifically kissing the altar; let us again return to this topic of kissing in church. After the gospel reading has been proclaimed the Book of Gospels is then kissed by the priest or deacon. Remember from last week that kissing the altar is a recognition of the presence of Christ, so too with the Book of the Gospels. By kissing the book we recognize that Christ is present within the words that have been proclaimed. Just as kissing the altar identifies Christ and the saints as the cornerstone of our faith, kissing the gospels identifies the word of God as central to all we do and say in our lives of faith.

Another time for kissing in church is during the “*kiss of peace*”, or what is more commonly called the “*sign of peace*”. Recall again that kissing the altar recognizes the presence of Christ, and kissing the gospels recognizes the presence of Christ – thus kissing during the sign of peace recognizes the presence of Christ in one another. When this was first introduced the rite actually demanded an actual kiss to take place, not the shaking of hands that appears to be our custom here in North America (other cultures around the world actually kiss). Whether we kiss, shake hands, hug each other, or whatever, this action is not an action of saying hello, or even asking someone what is new or how their day is going. This action recognizes the presence of Christ in the other. Through this recognition of Christ in the other we are drawn more deeply into the realization of Christ as Eucharist – which we are about to receive. Remember next time you exchange peace, look into the eyes of the other and see the eyes of Christ.

~ Father Tim, CR

PLANNING YOUR FUNERAL MASS

Mark your calendar now: Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 2:00 pm and 7:30 pm. This workshop, the same workshop offered twice on the same day, will help you to plan your funeral mass and church rituals. Select the scripture readings, music, prayers, readers, etc – make your funeral a true reflection of who you are as a person of faith.

SENIORS' LUNCHEONS

The next Seniors' Lunch will be **Thurs. Nov. 2,** 12 noon at **Kypreos, 30 RESTAURANT** Lancaster St., Kitchener. Check them out at www.kypreosrestaurant.ca. Please RSVP when you receive a phone invitation or by calling the parish office **by October 30.**

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

This coming **Sunday, Oct. 29** we will have training for all new adult and youth Altar Servers. If you have not yet signed up but wish to join this ministry please come for our 12 noon session. On **November 5th** New Adult Altar servers for the 11AM Sunday Mass will train from 12 noon to 1pm. All Youth Cross Bearers must come to a training session **November 12th** from 12 noon to 1pm to go over the changes instituted by Fr. Tim for this ministry. Thank you.

A big **THANK YOU** for another very successful garage sale! Special thanks to our Treasurer, Helen Shantz, Gary Howell who gets the hall prepared, and all the CWL ladies and parishioners who came to help Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Very special thanks goes to our young helpers, Michael, Katie and Arianna. We are happy to report that approximately \$2,000 will be given to the parish. And a very special thanks to all of you,

who so kindly donated your treasures and then lined up on Saturday to buy more to take home! We are truly blessed at St. Francis Parish. ~ Mary & Barbara Diemert, Co coordinators

THANK YOU to Joan Paleczny for organizing turnips for CWL members to prepare for our Seniors' Christmas Dinner every year for many, many years! Homemade turnip has always been a highlight of the dinner!

World Day of the Poor Resource & Volunteer Fair

Pope Francis has declared the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time to be the World Day of the Poor. On this Day the Pope invites us to embrace the poor in our midst and learn from them how physical poverty can lead to the poverty of spirit which inherits the kingdom of heaven. Pope Francis also asks us to create "concrete initiatives" to work for justice and peace for all God's children. **After Masses on November 18/19** we invite you to the Parish Hall to view displays from local organizations dedicated to working with the poor in our community. Speak with representatives from these groups, learn what they do, and consider whether you are being called to volunteer. As members of St. Francis of Assisi Parish we are called more than ever to follow our patron saint's example, and encounter Christ in the faces of all we meet, especially the poor.

VOCATION CORNER

"Give ... to God the things that are God's." That includes you! Is God calling you to service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Contact Fr. Toby Collins CR, Resurrectionist Director of Vocations crvocations@gmail.com or Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations for the Diocese at mking@hamiltondiocese.com 905-528-7988. www.vocationculture.ca

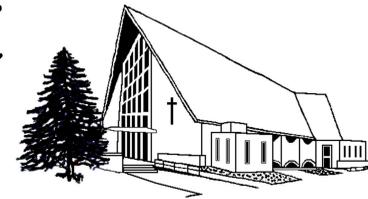
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Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 am
Wednesday 7:00 pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 pm
or by appointment

Sunday Children's Liturgy

Sunday 9:00 am Mass
September to June

Prayer Network

Call parish office to request prayers

Communal Baptism

Each month, please call the parish office to register.

Marriages

Congratulations! Please contact the parish one year in advance of marriage date.

Pastor:	Fr. Tim Uniack, C.R. (tuniack@hamiltondiocese.com)
Pastoral Minister:	Miss Ruthann Fisher (rfisher@hamiltondiocese.com)
Music Ministry:	Mrs. Terrienne Moulton
Admin. Assistant:	Ms. Alice Soeder
Building Manager:	Mr. Gary Howell

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:30 am to 12 noon
1:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Vocations Information: www.vocationinfo.ca
www.vocationculture.ca



"We are a Christ-centred faith community seeking to be instruments of God's peace."

"Shine like stars in the world, holding fast to the Word of Life."

~ Philippians 2: 15-16

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