

**MASS INTENTIONS
January 9 - 14, 2018**

Tuesday, 9th - *Weekday*
9:00 am Intentions of Mary Karn – Mary Kuntz

Wednesday, 10th - *Weekday*
9:00 am +Joan Jiesfer – Victor Springall & Family
7:00 pm +Erwin Preiditsch – Anne Darby-Watchorn

Thursday, 11th - *Weekday*
9:00 am Intentions of Fr. Ernie Varosi, CR – Alice Soeder

Friday, 12th - *St. Marguerite Bourgeoys*
9:00 am Intentions of Maria Cabral

Saturday, 13th - *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
5:00 pm Intentions of Stella Struthers – Cathy Vanzielegem
+Mary McCarville – the Family
+Agnes Dever – the Dever Family
+Joan MacDonald – Elizabeth MacKinnon
+David Gray – Connie Lautenschlager
+Denise Uffelmann – Eileen & Mary Longo

Sunday, 14th - *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
9:00 am Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 am Intentions of Kahlan & Gracie Black & Family
Intentions of Rose Lorentz – Gerry & Dora Lamers
Intentions of Sara Margaret Westman – the Westman/Voll Family
+Dianne Flood – the Westman/Voll Family
+Joan Haid – the Haid Family
+Jay Brooks – the MacDonald Family

**January 7, 2018
FEAST OF EPIPHANY**

December 30/31 Collection \$4,618.00
Total Collected for 2017 **\$297,585.00**
Total 2017 Budget **\$334,000.00**

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH

Monday
Bereavement Group (AR) 1:00 pm
Parents for Community Living (AR) 7:00 pm

Wednesday
CWL General Mtg (AR) 7:30 pm

Thursday
Seniors' Luncheon (Luther Village) 12:30 pm
Health & Wellness Cmte (RR) 7:00 pm
Choir Practice (C) 7:30 pm

Sunday
Confirmation Mtg #4 (H) 12:30 pm

**Looking Ahead to Jan. 14, 2018
2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

1 Samuel 3: 3b-10, 19
1 Corinthians 6: 13c-15a, 17-20 John 1: 35-42

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Jan. 8: **Baptism of the Lord**
Tues. Jan. 9: **Rev. George Nowak, CR**
Wed. Jan. 10: **Consecrated Men & Women**
Thu. Jan. 11: **Rev. Pawel Szymanowski, CR**
Fri. Jan. 12: **Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, CR**
Sat. Jan. 13: **Rev. Brendan McGrath**

VOCATION VIDEOS

Check out new videos created by Fr. Toby posted on our website: International Vocation Conference in Rome, as well as students at the Catholic Education Symposium in Ontario.

HOMELESSNESS IN OUR AREA

St. Francis C.W.L. is sponsoring an evening with Rev. Michael Hackbusch, Director of Spiritual Resources, House of Friendship, who will speak on the work being done in our community to assist the homeless, especially at this time of year. The news is filled with the need for housing for these folks during the cold months. Find out what we can do! On Wed. Jan. 10, following the Parish Mass at 7pm, our speaker will start at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to attend! For more info please contact the parish office.

SENIORS' LUNCHEON

The next Seniors' Lunch will be **Thurs. Jan. 11, at Martin's Restaurant at Luther Village, 139 Father David Bauer Dr., Waterloo at 12:30 pm - note the different time for easier parking.** Parking is at the side lot at the front of the building (or in the event it's full there's lots of parking at the back visitor lot). We will have our own room, The Waterfall Room, and Barbara Diemert will be at the entrance directing us to the room. The lunch buffet is \$14.00 plus tax and tip. Please RSVP when you receive a phone invitation or by calling the parish office **by Jan. 8, 2018.**



VOCATION CORNER

The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the Magi. Today, God's Son is present to the world through His Church. If you think that God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Toby Collins CR, Resurrectionist Director of Vocations rvocations@gmail.com or Fr. Michael King, Diocesan Director of Vocations, mking@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988. www.vocationculture.ca

From the Pastors Desk:

Today we celebrate the Feast of Epiphany, a feast of historical significance for the liturgical life of the church. It was tradition on this day, before printed calendars existed, to announce the date of Easter, as well as other important liturgical feasts in the coming year (because their dates are all calculated in relation to Easter). The Epiphany proclamation would be made by the pastor in each local parish. Here is this year's Epiphany Proclamation:

Dear brothers and sisters, the glory of the Lord has shone upon us, and shall ever be manifest among us, until the day of his return. Through the rhythms of times and seasons let us celebrate the mysteries of salvation. Let us recall the year's culmination, the Easter Triduum of the Lord: his last supper, the crucifixion and his rising celebrated between the evening of the 29th of March and the evening of the 1st of April. Each Easter – as on each Sunday, the Holy Church makes present the great and saving deed by which Christ has forever conquered sin and death. From Easter are reckoned all the days we keep holy, Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent will occur on the 14th of February. The Ascension of the Lord will be commemorated on the 13th of May. Pentecost, the joyful conclusion of the season of Easter, will be celebrated on the 20th of May. And this year the First Sunday of Advent will be on the 2nd of December. Likewise the pilgrim Church proclaims the Passover of Christ in the feasts of the Holy Mother of God, in the feasts of the Apostles and Saints, and in the commemoration of the faithful departed. To Jesus Christ, who was, who is, and who is to come, Lord of time and history, be endless praise, for ever and ever. Amen.

~ Father Tim, CR

MONTHLY GAME DAY



If you are a senior who would like to get out of the house, socialize with others and play a few games, join us on

THURS. Jan. 18 from 2 – 4pm in the Assisi Room. Bring cards, board games, some friends! No cost, snacks provided. For info contact Barbara at 519-744-8955 or bdiemert@rogers.com

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY



Our annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity event will be hosted this year by St. George's Anglican Church, on **Sun. Jan. 21** at 2pm. The service was created by the Christian Churches of the Caribbean and focuses on God's power to end slavery of all kinds. "Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power!" (Ex 15:6) Our event is organized by the Churches of Forest Hill.

"Let us nurture the seeds of peace as they grow and let us transform our cities into workshops of peace."

~ @Pontifex, January 1, 2018



AROUND TOWN

David the King Bishop Barron's DVD 6 part program starts on Mon. Jan. 8 at 7:30pm at St. Louis Parish, Waterloo. For more information or to register call St. Louis at 519-743-4101.

True Reformers Christopher Blum's DVD 6 part program starts Thurs. Jan. 11 at 1pm at St. Louis Parish, Waterloo. Dr. Blum will lead us on a journey with the saints who led the Church's rebirth after the Reformation. For more info or to register call 519-743-4101.

World Meeting of Families in Dublin – The Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip to the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland, Aug. 21 – 26, 2018. Every keynote address and workshop will be based on Pope Francis' Amoris Laetitia, or The Joy of Love. If you are interested in attending and making use of the accommodations booked by the Diocese please contact Teresa Hartnett (905-528-7988 ext. 2250) by mid-January. For more info go to <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/wmof-2018>.

"Keys to Loving Relationships" is a nine week video-based program meant for anyone looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm starting Jan. 23, at St. Mark's Parish, Kitchener. Cost is \$45. For more info call Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 x 2249.

KW Right to Life Charity Dinner Gala Culture vs. Christ: In Search of Authentic Love with Jonathon Van Maren, Feb. 8 at the Polish Legion Hall, Kitchener. Dinner at 6pm, speakers begin at 7pm. Silent auction. Tickets are \$40, call KW Right to Life at 519-746-5433 or kwrtl.ticketleap.com/love

Reel Justice – A Justice Film Festival

The Church teaches that social justice is an integral part of evangelization, a constitutive dimension of preaching the Gospel, and an essential part of the Church's mission. There are so many issues of injustice all over our world, it is hard to know where to begin. Start by joining us for a movie and discussion evening at a parish near you! January Screening: Romero, at St. Michael Parish, Waterloo, Jan. 26, 7-9pm

St. Francis of Assisi Parish



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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

Tuesday 8:30 – 8:45 am
Wednesday 6:30 – 6:45 pm
Saturday 4:00 – 4:30 pm
or by appointment

Sunday Children's Liturgy

Sunday 9:00 am Mass

Prayer Network

Call parish office to request prayers

Communal Baptism

Please call the parish office to register.

Marriages

Congratulations! Please contact the parish one year before wedding date.

Pastor:	Fr. Tim Uniac, C.R. (tuniac@hamiltondiocese.com)
Pastoral Minister:	Miss Ruthann Fisher (rfisher@hamiltondiocese.com)
Music Ministry:	Mrs. Terriane 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."

"We observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay homage to the Lord."

~ Matthew 2: 2

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Wise * Men

Still Seek Him