

MASS INTENTIONS
June 26 – July 1, 2018

Tuesday, 26th - **Weekday**
 9:00 am +Bernice Meyer – the Family

Wednesday, 27th - **Weekday**
 9:00 am +Dora Lamers – Kay Warner
 7:00 pm Intentions of Madeline Haller
 +Debbie Alamenciak – Anita Stalzer
 +Erwin & Marlene Preiditsch – Anita Stalzer
 +Bob Gatchene – Anne Darby-Watchorn
 +Dorothy Sherwood – Christine & Peter Higgins

Thursday, 28th - **St. Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr**
 9:00 am +Reno & Tony Ianni – Angela Ianni

Friday, 29th - **Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles**
 9:00 am Intentions of Eileen Cox – Helen Shantz, Barbara Diemert, Linda Carmichael

Saturday, 30th - **13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 5:00 pm Intentions of Lucille Vanzielegem – the Vanzielegem Family
 +Dorothy Herzog – Ruthann Fisher
 +Marcella Eby – Ron Eby & Family
 +Oscar Lorentz – Mary Ann Sellner
 +Don Cameron – Max & Jane Rausch & Family
 +Deceased Members of the Jeffrey Family – Bill & Pat Jeffrey

Sunday, 1st - **13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 9:00 am Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
 11:00 am +Janet O'Brien – Kay Warner

June 24, 2018

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Collection Totals will return in July 1st bulletin.
2018 Total Budgeted Collection \$366,600.00

Looking Ahead to July 1, 2018

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Wisdom 1: 13-15; 2: 23-24
 2 Corinthians 8: 7, 9, 13-15 Mark 5: 21-43

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. June 25: **Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger**
 Tues. June 26: **Rev. Frank Freitas**
 Wed. June 27: **Sisters of St. John the Baptist**
 Thu. June 28: **Most Rev. Douglas Crosby,**
OMI, DD
 Fri. June 29: **Rev. Edward Hinsperger**
 Sat. June 30: **Very Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen**

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH

Monday
 Overeaters Anonymous (AR) 7:30 pm

Tuesday
 Grade 8 Graduation (C) 6:30 pm

Wednesday
 Team Meeting Office Closed all Day

Thursday
 SVDP Particular Council (H) 7:00 pm

"To embark on following Jesus Christ, courage is needed; that courage which only comes from God gives us the apostolic endurance and strength to bear abuses, insults, and all kind of hardships in preaching the gospel."

A Year with Pope Francis, p. 111



From the Pastor's Desk:

I enjoy learning about the history of our faith and its traditions, and I most especially enjoy what is best described as "Catholic Trivia" - those little tidbits of information that often times heighten my curiosity to learn more. It is also interesting to see how much our faith has, and continues to, influence all areas of life both secular and religious.

For instance have you ever wondered why we cover our mouths when we yawn? Many people would suggest it is simply good manners to cover your mouth while yawning. While this may be true today, it is not true for the past. It was in the Middle Ages when people of faith began to wonder how Satan (evil and sin) entered our bodies. They concluded that the best time for Satan to enter was when we yawned, when our defenses were down – have you ever tried to stop a yawn halfway through? So to stop Satan from entering the body during a yawn the religious practice became the covering of the mouth. So to cover our mouths during a yawn, while good manners today, actually began as a religious practice.

Or have you ever wondered where the practice of hanging a horse shoe in your house started? Legend has it that Satan one day approached a man by the name of Dunstan (who would later be named a saint of the church), a blacksmith. Satan needed one of his hoofs re-shod. So Dunstan, while agreeing to do the re-shoeing for Satan, made the process so painful that Satan eventually cried for mercy. The legend tells us that from that moment on whenever Satan saw a horse shoe he would run off in fear due to the memory of the pain it evoked in him. Thus people would

hang horse shoes, not for luck as some would suggest, but rather because they believed it would keep Satan away.



~ Father Tim, CR

FUNERAL MINISTRY

We are blessed to have a faithful group of parish ministers who serve during Funeral Masses at St. Francis, but our list is getting smaller. If you are currently an **Adult Altar Server, Eucharistic Minister, Hospitality Minister or Lector**, please consider adding your name to our Funeral Ministry list by calling Alice in the parish office. Putting your name on the list means that when ministers are needed for a funeral we call to see if you are available. Thank you for being instruments of God's peace for grieving families.

GARAGE SALE

Our annual Garage Sale, organized by the Catholic Women's League, will take place Sat. Sept. 22. When you are cleaning out your house this summer, save your treasures to donate to our sale; donations accepted Sept. 20 & 21 from 6-9pm. Thank you!

VOCATION CORNER

In every age and time the Lord's call brings forth priests to prepare a people for the Lord. Would you be willing to proclaim the truth of God's love and presence in your life as a priest, religious or deacon? If you think God is calling you, contact Fr. Toby Collins CR, Resurrectionist Director of Vocations crvocations@gmail.com or Fr. Michael King, Diocesan Director of Vocations, mking@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988
www.vocationculture.ca

MAJOR DRAW PRIZES

The CWL is asking parishioners for prize donations for the 2018 Christmas Bazaar Major Draw. The proceeds from this major fund raiser for our church will go towards our new roofs. Please consider donating a prize or some cash towards the purchase of a prize. Ideas could be tickets to a Show, Concert, Dinner, Sporting Event or Spa Day just to mention a few. If you are interested in providing a prize, cash or have any questions, please contact Judith Booth, Major Draw convener at 519-742-0155 by July 1. Thank you for your consideration.

CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

The Diocese of Hamilton offers correspondence programs for children from Kindergarten to Grade 12 who are not currently receiving religious instruction. Children not in Catholic Schools who will be preparing to receive 1st Communion or Confirmation also need to complete a correspondence course through the diocese. Families work through the programs at home and submit assignments to a parish volunteer for feedback. To register or for more information, please contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988 ext 2238 or go to the Sacraments page on the St. Francis website and click on the link.

AROUND TOWN

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the **Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel**, July 8th to July 16th, 2018. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to Carmel of Saint Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1 St. Agatha, ON NOB 2L0.

The Carmel of St. Joseph Guild invites all members, families and friends to attend the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel mass to be held Sun. July 15 at 2:00 pm at the Monastery. The Rosary will precede the mass. The celebrant will be Bishop Douglas Crosby.

Annual Novena to St. Ann, at St. Ann's Church, Hamilton, will be prayed Wed. July 18th to Thurs. July 26th. Each evening begins at 7 pm with Mass, followed by a blessing with the relic of St. Ann, novena prayers and confessions. On Fri. July 20th Anointing of the Sick will take place. On the Feast of St. Ann, Thurs. July 26th, Bishop Crosby will celebrate the Mass and a reception will follow in St. Ann's School gymnasium. All are welcome. Wheelchair/walker accessible.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS is offered at many of our local ecumenical churches, see if one of their programs would be of interest for your children!

- **Faith Lutheran**
Splash Canyon, God's Promise on Life's Wild Ride. July 9-13, from 9-11:30am. www.faithlutherankw.com and click on VBS under the Events tab.
- **Highland Baptist**
Fun Day Camp. July 23-27, 9am – 12 noon
Rolling River Rampage Day Camp. Aug. 20-24, 9am – 12 pm www.highlandbaptist.ca
- **Calvin Presbyterian**
Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus. August 20-24, 9:00 – 11:45 am www.calvinchurch.ca
- **Forest Hill United**
Shipwrecked: God is our Life Jacket. August 20-24, full day, 9am – 3:30pm. www.foresthillunited.org

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

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. Terrienne Moulton
Admin. Assistant:	Ms. Alice Soeder
Building Manager:	Mr. Gary Howell
Seminarian:	Raphael Ma

**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."

"You, child, will be called the Prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways."
Luke 1: 76

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