

**MASS INTENTIONS
October 2 - 7, 2018**

Tuesday, 2nd - **Holy Guardian Angels**
9:00 am +Bernice Koebel – Gail Moir & Family
+Teresa Janiczak – Grace & Kevin Grundy & Family
+Debbie Alamenciak – Helen Waechter
+Dora Lamers – Madeline Haller
+Don Cameron – Bernie & Rose Hanley

Wednesday, 3rd - **Weekday** **Sacrament of the Sick at Mass**
9:00 am Intentions of Joao Pedro Branco – Gracinda Branco
NO 7PM MASS DUE TO FEAST DAY SUPPER

Thursday, 4th - **St. Francis of Assisi**
9:00 am +Ann Hutter – Mary Anderson

Friday, 5th - **Weekday** **First Friday**
9:00 am +Joao Branco – Gracinda Branco
9:30 am Adoration & Benediction

Saturday, 6th - **27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
5:00 pm Intentions of Maria Ferreira & Family
Intentions of Barbara Diemert – Ruthann Fisher
+Dorothy Herzog – Shirley & Charles Daub & Family
+Bernice Koebel – Helen Shantz
+Marija Vrljic – her children
+Emil & Anne Rose Rektor – Karen Rektor

Sunday, 7th - **27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00 am Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
11:00 am +Dino Domenico – Kay Warner

September 30, 2018

FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Collection September 22/23 \$5,976.00
2018 Collection to Date \$215,081.34
2018 Total Budgeted Collection \$366,600.00

Looking Ahead to Oct. 7, 2018

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Genesis 2: 7, 15, 18-24
Hebrews 2: 9-11 Mark 10: 2-16

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Oct. 1: **Rev. Joseph Okoko**
Tues. Oct. 2: **Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, CSSR**
Wed. Oct. 3: **Seminarians**
Thu. Oct. 4: **Rev. Robert Dunn**
Fri. Oct. 5: **Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk**
Sat. Oct.6: **Rev. David Wynen**

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH

Monday
Overeaters Anonymous (AR) 7:30 pm

Tuesday
Pasta Supper Setup (H) 6:30 pm
Levels 1 & 2 (ER & RR) 7:00 pm

Wednesday
Parish Team Mtg (Office Closed) 10am – noon
Feast Day Pasta Supper! (H) 6:00 pm
St. Vincent de Paul Mtg (RR) 7:30 pm

Thursday
Health & Wellness Cmte (RR) 7:00 pm
Choir Practice (C) 7:30 pm

Saturday / Sunday
Thanksgiving Food Drive (H) At All Masses

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 26 to November 4, we invite you to join together with over 100,000 people across North America who will simultaneously participate in 40 consecutive days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You are encouraged to get involved by prayer and fasting, as well as attending a peaceful vigil outside Freeport Hospital for an allocated hour between 7am and 7pm, 7 days a week. Please consider adopting an hour a week. You can sign up for vigil hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by calling Ewelina at 519-589-2919. You are also invited to our opening rally on Oct. 3 at St. Agnes Parish, Waterloo. Mass with Bishop Crosby at 7pm followed by refreshments and signup.

LIFE CHAIN MEMORIAL

Sun. Sept. 30 from 2-3pm outside Kitchener City Hall. Bring your family and friends and hold a sign along King St. in silent prayer. A memorial service will be held at 2:50pm at the memorial site for babies lost to abortion (near Kitchener City Hall), with speaker Stephen Woodworth. We remember the millions of lives lost to abortion and the effects on their parents, families and the nation.

DID YOU KNOW...

People used to wonder why blackberries lose their flavor after September. Well, on Sept. 29 we celebrate the Feast of the Archangels, who cast Satan out of heaven. And as Satan was falling into to hell, he spit on the blackberries! And so the remainder of the blackberries from that season have no flavor.

...NOW YOU KNOW ☺

MONTHLY GAME DAY



On the third Thursday of each month we get together and play silly games! Join us

for our first game afternoon of the fall on **THURS. Oct. 18** from 2 – 4pm in the Parish Hall. Bring cards, board games, some friends! No cost, snacks provided.

Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada Following the encouragement of Pope Pius XII, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB) was established in 1943; it was officially recognized by the Holy See in 1948 and, following the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965), became part of the worldwide network of episcopal conferences. As the CCCB President states in his message for the Collection, “Through their Episcopal Conference, the Bishops today continue to work together on doctrinal and ethical questions; ecumenical initiatives and interreligious dialogue; international relations; evangelization, faith education and catechesis; relations with Indigenous peoples; questions of social justice, and the development of a culture of life and family..” In addition to their national Conference, the Bishops of Canada also meet in four Regional Assemblies (Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and the West). The CCCB as well as the regional assemblies include the Bishops of the Latin Church in Canada together with the Eparchial Bishops of the Eastern Catholic Churches. Thank you for your prayers and your financial contribution!

THANK YOU! for supporting Ruthann, Cathy and Aida in their Walk for Hospice. You helped their team raise over \$1200! Hospice Waterloo was thrilled to raise \$57,000 from the walk. Thank you for supporting life!

From the Pastor's Desk:

In chapter 18 of the gospel of Mathew we are exhorted to *"Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you, in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven"* (verse 10). These words of Jesus are one of the sources we draw upon for our belief concerning angels, a belief that has been a part of our Christian tradition since the earliest of days. On October 2 we celebrate the memorial of **The Guardian Angels**; on this day of the Guardian Angels we recall the words of Jesus found in Matthew that remind us that each of us has a guardian or protecting angel.

There are various understandings concerning angels. If you go to the Greek, the word angel literally means messenger of God. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* speaks of angels as heavenly beings, genderless and distinct from saints. The scriptures mention angels nearly 300 times. In the liturgical life of the church we join our praises with the angels of heaven when we pray the holy, holy, holy, and we invoke the help of angels at funerals to welcome the deceased into life eternal.

We also believe there is a three-fold celestial hierarchy concerning angels. There are *Counselor* angels such as the seraphim (who have a profound love for the trinity) and cherubim (angels of wisdom), there are *Governor* angels who oversee the forces of nature, and there are *Messenger* angels who are directly in contact with humanity. As we know there are also Archangels (the chief angels) such as Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. There are also nine choirs (or classes) of angels that includes angels such as those who protect us (guardian); angels who are messengers from God (archangels); angels who impart the wisdom of God (cherubim); angels who have a

burning zeal for God (seraphim); angels who dispense celestial miracles (virtues); angels who are in constant adoration of God (thrones); angels who protect us from the Evil One (powers); angels who are robed in God's authority (dominations); and angels who direct the commands of God (principalities).

The purpose of a day dedicated to Guardian Angels? This day reaffirms our sure and certain knowledge that God continues to lovingly care for us by assigning each of us a guardian angel.

~ Father Tim, CR



let's do lunch

Are you a senior in our parish? Please join us for our monthly lunches at local restaurants, get to know other parishioners and enjoy some fabulous food! Our first lunch of the fall will be **Thursday October 11, 12 noon, at Angies' in St. Agatha**. Cost will be \$15 + tax and tip, special menu includes coffee and dessert. Please mark your calendars and RSVP when you receive a phone call or by calling the parish office by **Mon. Oct. 8**.

CELEBRATING THE WORD

We invite you to join us for Tuesday afternoons at 1:30pm beginning Oct. 9, or Monday evenings from 7:30 to 9pm beginning on Oct. 15. Using the publication *Celebrating the Word* which is written by six Resurrectionist priests, including our own Fr. Tim, we reflect on the Sunday readings and discuss how they connect with our daily lives. All are invited to come and see!

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

Next weekend we celebrate Thanksgiving, a time when we reflect on the many blessings God has given to us. Most of us have a warm, secure home to shelter us, nutritious food to eat and clean water to drink, family and friends to support us. But some in our families, our community, our parish do not have these blessings. This thanksgiving help us welcome all our neighbours into our family but donating to our St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Food Drive. We are especially in need of Hamburger Helper, pasta and pasta sauce, and canned beans in sauce. Please keep your donations with you in the pew on Oct. 6/7 and you will be invited to bring them to the front during the Preparation. Thank you for your generosity.



CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Children ages 3 – 6 are invited to join this faith formation activity guided by trained catechists who facilitate the child's relationship with God. Running weekly, starting just after Thanksgiving until June, this is a hands-on, discovery-based approach that allows the children time and space to encounter the One who calls each of us by name. Sign up for Thursday morning sessions (9:00 – 11:00 am) or Thursday afternoons (**PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF TIME: 4:30 – 6:00 pm. We hope this time will suit families better.**). Note: the initial few weeks will be shorter sessions until the children are used to the format. To register, forms are available at the back of the church, or call the parish office. There is a small fee of \$25.00 for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS

The next CWL General Meeting is Wed. Oct. 10 at 7:30pm. Our speaker is Deb Schlichter, Director of Housing, Region of Waterloo. Deb will speak to us about the issues surrounding Affordable Housing and Homelessness. This is an open meeting and everyone is welcome.

"Holiness is not only about the spirit: it is also the feet that take us to our brothers and sisters, and the hands that allow us to help them."

@Pontifex, July 29, 2018



WHAT IS PALLIATIVE CARE?

Palliative care is for our loved ones who have life limiting illnesses. It manages physical and mental suffering and can happen in the home, hospices and hospitals. Palliative care supports families and caregivers, and integrates the patient's spiritual and cultural life. But palliative care is so much more than this. Come and learn more from a panel of speakers who have experienced the graces of palliative care: Judy Nairn (Hospice Director), Mary Gatschene RN (Nursing), Dr. Donna Ward (Palliative Care), Marj Goodyear (Volunteer), Brianna Flynn-Schlegel (Family), Fr. Sam Restivo CR (Spiritual Care) & Rob Wintonyk (Funeral Director).

Sun. Oct. 14 from 2-4:30pm in the parish hall.

PALLIATIVE CARE IS LIFE-GIVING



AROUND TOWN

The Waterloo Catholic School Board is looking for a parent volunteer from this area for the **Catholic Parent Involvement Committee**. The Committee meets 4 times a year in the evening and supports school councils. The parent volunteer must have a child registered in a WCDSB Resurrection Elementary Feeder School (St. Paul's is one). If interested or for more information please email Diana.bumstead@wcdsb.ca by Oct. 5.

Adoration for Life

Oct. 4, 6pm followed by Mass, St. Agnes
Oct. 5, 6-7pm, St. Teresa's, Kitchener
Oct. 6, 11am-12noon, St. Mary's

Catechesis Connections Are you a catechist? Do you help pass on the faith to others in your parish, through sacramental prep, at home? Join us as we consider the connection between evangelization and catechesis with the help of a new book by Daniella Zsupan-Jerome, "Evangelization & Catechesis: Echoing the Good News Through the Documents of the Church". Wednesday evenings Oct. 10, 24, Nov. 7, 14 & 21 from 7-8:30pm at St. Gregory Parish, Cambridge. Cost \$35, includes text. Call Monica to register, 905-528-7988 ext 2238

VOCATION CORNER

St Francis invited all of God's creation to rejoice in the Good News! If you feel that God is calling you to spread His news as a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Fr. Dan Lobsinger 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

The Fr. David William Bauer Knights of Columbus Student Council invites you to a Pro-Life Event this Sun. Sept. 30, 3:30-7pm at St. Michael's Church, Waterloo. Hear speaker Steven Woodworth, enjoy a schnitzel dinner and help raise funds for local campus pro-life clubs. Cost is \$20. Evening closes with Mass. facebook.com/events/1154917747995196

2018 Annual Dinner Reception for the Carmel of St. Joseph will be at Conestoga Place, Kitchener on Mon. Oct. 22 from 6:30-9pm. Our honoured guest and speaker is His Eminence, Thomas Cardinal Collins. A minimum donation for dinner for two is \$250. Please RSVP by Oct. 10 to Jane Malleck at cjmalleck@sympatico.ca or 519-748-1225. You are receipted for the total amount.

World Mental Health Day The Family Ministry Office will host a day of learning intended to assist people in offering needed support. Mark your calendars for Oct. 10 and contact the Family Ministry Office for details, 905-528-7988 ext2249.

Stress in your Marriage? Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. For confidential information about the program starting Oct. 12 please call 905-664-5212.

Reel Justice Film Festival is back, starting with a screening of *Romero*. Oscar Romero was martyred in 1980 for his passionate stand against social injustice and oppression in his country. He will be canonized on Oct. 14, 2018, the first Salvadorian saint! *Reel Justice* is a partnership between *Development & Peace* and the *Bishop Farrell Library & Archives*, showcasing films with a social justice message. Join us at the Chancery Office in Hamilton Oct. 19 from 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

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

Monthly, 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, C.R.

**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."*

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