

**MASS INTENTIONS
October 23 - 28, 2018**

Tuesday, 23rd - *Weekday*
9:00 am Intentions of Bill Jeffrey & Family – Marj Simon
+Debbie Alamenciak – Helen Shantz
+Bernice Koebel – Barbara Diemert
+Josie Côté – Joan Ferraccioli
+Jennie Rodzen – Kay Warner

NO WEEKDAY MASSES WEDNESDAY – FRIDAY due to Priests' Seminar

Saturday, 27th - *30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
5:00 pm Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi
Sunday, 28th - *30th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
9:00 am +Reno & Tony Ianni – Angela Ianni
11:00 am Intentions of Paul & Julia Baxter – the Westman / Voll Family

October 21, 2018

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Collection October 13/14 \$5,682.17
2018 Collection to Date \$231,784.93
2018 Total Budgeted Collection \$366,600.00

Looking Ahead to Oct. 28, 2018

30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 31: 7-9
Hebrews 5: 1-6 Mark 10: 46-52

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Oct. 22: **Rev. Bradley Markus**
Tues. Oct. 23: **Rev. Paul Boucher**
Wed. Oct. 24: **Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny (SJC)**
Thu. Oct. 25: **Rev. Jeffrey Oehring**
Fri. Oct. 26: **Rev. Mark Gatto**
Sat. Oct. 27: **Rev. David Reitzel**

“When we place ourselves at the service of our most vulnerable brothers and sisters we experience the joy of unconditional love.”



~ @Pontifex, August 10, 2018

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH

Monday
Celebrating the Word (RR) 7:30 pm
Overeaters Anonymous (AR) 7:30 pm
Tuesday
Celebrating the Word (RR) 1:30 pm
Levels 1 & 2 (ER & RR) 6:30 & 7:00 pm
Thursday
Catechesis of Good Shepherd (AR) 9:00 am
Catechesis of Good Shepherd (AR) 4:30 pm
Choir Practice (C) 7:30 pm

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE
FALL CAMPAIGN**

This fall Development and Peace invites us all to Share the Journey with refugees around the world. Please look through the insert in this bulletin. Next weekend we will have action cards in the pews for you to sign if you wish. These cards will be sent to Prime Minister Trudeau asking the Canadian government to do more to address the root causes of forced migration. For more information visit www.devp.org.



Share the Journey
#sharejourney

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.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Join us on Sat. November 10th for our Annual Christmas Bazaar from 9:30 am – 2pm. Children's Activities, Baking, Pies Galore, Crafts, Games, Draws, Tea Room, Crepes, even Santa will visit at 10:30am! Donations are gratefully accepted on Fri. Nov. 9 from 9:30am to 9pm. If you would like to volunteer please contact Linda at 519-742-0656 or Eileen at 519-742-3876. **NEW THIS YEAR: DINNER FOR 6 ADULTS SILENT AUCTION.** Get a group of 6 adults together and bid on this fabulous 8 course meal, complete with wine pairings, prepared and served by Fr. Tim! Bidding opens this weekend at the main entrance of the church and will run each weekend until the bazaar; bidding closes at 1:45pm on Nov. 10. See the poster in the main entrance of the church for a menu and details.



AROUND TOWN

Grief Relief Has someone you cared about died? Are you the grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? You are not alone. Grief Relief is a 6 week educational and support series offered on Tuesdays, Oct. 23 – Nov. 27 at the Chancery Office, Hamilton, from 1-3:30pm. Facilitator Karen Hulley, RP. You are free to attend all sessions or as many as you wish, to register please call the Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Canon Law Annual Convention Bishop Crosby, OMI, has invited the Canadian Canon Law Society to the Diocese of Hamilton for its 53rd Annual Convention. Canon Lawyers are priests and lay people, women and men, who serve in Bishops' offices, marriage tribunals, seminaries, universities and religious orders. All are invited to join us for the celebration of the Eucharist at **4:30 pm on Wed. Oct. 24 at the historic St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral Church, Hamilton.** Come and support these women and men who most often serve the Church behind the scenes!

Blessed Sacrament CES 30th Anniversary Calling all Bears past and present! Come celebrate our school's 30th Anniversary at our Fall Frenzy, Thurs. Oct. 25, 5:30-7:30pm, 367 The Country Way, Kitchener. Decades rooms, food trucks, games, activities and prizes!

Taizé Worship Ecumenical worship with Taizé songs offers a welcome respite from the bustle of everyday life. At the heart of this prayer service are scripture readings surrounded by silence and beautiful music that can help one engage in meditative prayer. Come and pray for world respect, justice and peace on Sun. Oct. 28, 7:30pm at Conrad Grebel University College Chapel, Waterloo.

From the Pastor's Desk:

There is an ancient document, sometimes referred to as a "Christian Treatise", from which much of our understanding of the early Christian community comes – an understanding that continues to influence the Christian community of today. The document is simply entitled *Didache*, a word from the ancient Greek meaning "teaching". It is generally agreed to by scholars that this document was written in the late 2nd century A.D., a document whose actual author is unknown. In the opening sentence of this document we read: "The teaching of the Lord to the nations by the twelve apostles", hence the name by which this document is referred to today: "The Teaching of the Twelve Apostles".

This document is of particular interest to those who study liturgy, for the document describes both the liturgical and sacramental practice of the early Christian community. What is particularly noteworthy is that how the sacrament of baptism is celebrated today is based upon the sacramental practice as described in the Didache. Chapter VII of the Didache deals with baptism. We must remember that baptism in the early days was baptism of adults, not children. Baptism took place by immersion, and only if this was not practical was baptism then celebrated by affusion (the pouring on of water).

The Didache describes the four main elements of baptism. First, baptism was to be done in the name of the Trinity; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Second, running (living) water was to be used for baptism. Third, the person being baptized is to be immersed three times, or failing that, water is poured on their head three times. Fourth, prior to baptism, both the

person being baptized and the minister doing the baptism were to fast. Without question points one to three remain the essential elements of baptism to this day. The practice of point four, concerning fasting, fell by the way-side once the church began baptizing infants.

~ Father Tim, CR



DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO NEEDS A PRAYER SHAWL?

Prayer shawls assure our loved ones that the community of St. Francis Parish is praying for them, and that we journey with them even when we cannot be present. If you have a loved one who is suffering physically, mentally or spiritually, perhaps they would find comfort and support in a prayer shawl. Or maybe there is someone in your life celebrating a milestone, starting a new job, moving to a new home, expecting a baby? A prayer shawl can bring peace in stressful times. You are welcome to come in and pick out a prayer shawl for your loved ones anytime during parish office hours. There is no cost.

CELEBRATING THE WORD

We invite you to join us for Tuesday afternoons at 1:30pm, or Monday evenings from 7:30 to 9pm. 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!



NEW YOUTH ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Sundays Oct. 21 and 28 from 12 noon to 1pm. All youth age 8 or older who have received 1st Eucharist and who are interested in becoming Altar Servers are invited to attend. For more information please contact Ruthann in the parish office.

BAD WEATHER AND MASS

The snow has made its first appearance in the region! And so we would like to remind everyone that when bad weather strikes you should not come to Mass. During the week, if Kitchener **SCHOOL BUSES** are cancelled, then **WEEKDAY MASSES** are cancelled and the office is closed. On the weekend, if the roads are dangerous, and especially if **CITY BUSES** are not running, then you should not be risking your life or the lives of others by attempting to come to church. (You can find out if buses are cancelled by listening to AM 570 News or online at www.570news.com.) Thank you for being true Canadians and respecting the power of our extreme weather!



SENIORS LUNCH

Please join us for our monthly lunches at local restaurants, get to know other parishioners and enjoy some fabulous food! Our next lunch will be **Thursday November 1, 12 noon, at Kennedy's 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. 29**.



ALL SOULS MEMORIAL MASS



On Fri. November 2, the Feast of All Souls, we will celebrate a Memorial Mass to honour our loved ones who have died. All are invited to join us for Mass at 7pm, followed by a time of fellowship in the parish hall. (There will be no morning Mass on Nov. 2) When a member of our community passes into eternal life we all grieve, remember and celebrate their life together, as one faith community.

WARMTH and COMFORT CAMPAIGN

The Catholic Women's League is focusing this year on how to help our homeless neighbours. We are about to begin a Warmth and Comfort campaign, asking our parishioners to help collect warm socks to be delivered to the men at the House of Friendship. The campaign will run from November to mid-December. Boxes will be available for dropping off socks at the church. As the Christmas season approaches please remember that new warm socks are welcome and essential for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Thank you in advance for your support.

VOCATION CORNER

Jesus' life was the best 'job description': sympathy; mercy; service; compassion; and total giving. Life is rewarding when one lives for others. If you are willing to serve as a priest, religious or 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

DO YOU HAVE ANCESTORS BURIED IN ST. BONIFACE, MARYHILL OLD WALLED CEMETERY? St. Boniface' Old Walled Cemetery is the second oldest Roman Catholic Cemetery in the Waterloo Region with many of its early settlers buried there. The wall around the old cemetery was built in 1862 and through the years has needed repairs and this year it is in need of some major fixing. We need to repair the coping and the wall in the old cemetery and replace the wrought iron fence along the road in the new cemetery that has been damaged by salt, at an expected cost of \$50-60 thousand. A tax receipt will be issued to anyone wishing to donate. People are welcome to visit the cemetery and see the work done thus far. For more information, or to make a donation, please contact dstrickler@continuum.org.

Service of Light and Remembrance for Children who have Died On Tues. Oct. 30, 7:30pm at St. Michael's, Waterloo, there will be a special prayer service in honour of young lives lost due to any circumstance (accident, illness, miscarriage, still birth, etc.) All who have been touched by these young lives are invited to attend and find comfort in knowing God loves all He has created.

Grandchildren Grow Up: Beyond Toys to Real Life Issues We live in a rapidly changing world where children are experiencing and hearing about issues often beyond what we as adults know! Let's talk about some of them, including same-sex attraction, gender identity, healthy sexuality and how to help our grandchildren navigate the "stuff" of their lives. Presenter: Teresa Hartnett. Location: Holy Rosary Parish Hall, Burlington, on Wed. Nov. 7th from 1:30 – 3:30 pm. To register call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Adoration for Life Come and pray for respect for life and the dignity of all people.

- Oct. 30 (Spanish) after 7pm Mass, St. Joseph's, Kitchener
- Nov. 1, 6pm followed by Mass, St. Agnes, Waterloo
- Nov. 2, 6-7pm, St. Teresa's Chapel, Kitchener
- Nov. 3, 11-12noon, St. Mary's, Kitchener

CHRISTMAS BAZAARS!

Sat. Nov. 3 – St. Joseph's Church Craft & Vendor Sale, from 9:30am-12:30pm. Hand-made crafts, baking, home business products and décor, over 20 vendors! Check out our facebook event "Fall Craft & Vendor Sale – St. Joseph Church" for more info or call Cathy at 519-578-0785.

The Spirituality of Wine Join Rev. Gary at Forest Hill United Church for 4 weeks to explore the Spirituality of Wine. Starting Wed. Nov. 7 from 7:15-8:45pm they will meet in the Fireside Room. The final week will be an evening of wine tasting. For more information please contact foresthiluc@bellnet.ca or 519-744-3481.

Impact on Young Minds – Video Games & Social Media, Healthy or Harmful? All parents, caregivers, grandparents and youth themselves, are welcome to attend a presentation by Brian Janes (registered psychotherapist) on Thurs. Nov. 8th from 7 – 9 pm at the Chancery Office, Hamilton. This workshop will look at the impact of video games and social media on the developing brain, provide an overview of some of the social dangers present on the web and suggest guidelines and boundaries to help children's access to screen time remain healthy. To register call t 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

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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."



"The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many!"

Mark 10: 45

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