

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**November 20 - 25, 2018**

**Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup>** - *Weekday*  
 9:00 am +Josie Côté – Joan Scheffter

**Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup>** - *Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
 NO MORNING MASS  
**7:00 pm** **Mass with Profession of Perpetual Vows of Raphael Ma, C.R.**  
 Intentions of Vocations to the Congregation of the Resurrection

**Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup>** - *St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr*  
 9:00 am +Tobias Pfeifer – Anne Darby-Watchorn  
 +Bernice Koebel – Rita Spilowey  
 +Dora Lamers – Ann Pritchard  
 +Ann Hutter – Kay Warner  
 +Teresa Ann Schmidt – Eleanor Buchanan

**Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup>** - *Weekday*  
 9:00 am +Helen Bender – Bonnie & Chris, Ron & Jane & Grandchildren

**Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup>** - *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*  
 5:00 pm Intentions of Al Hoediono – Cathy Vanzielegem  
 Intentions of Lucille Vanzielegem – Cathy Vanzielegem  
 Intentions of Benoy Biswas – Rita, Rena & Pat  
 +Mary McCarville – the Family  
 +Jennie Rodzen – Ruthann Fisher  
 +Jim & Margaret Dodsworth – Patrick & MaryAnn Dodsworth  
 +Beverly Birmingham – the Prudnikowicz Family

**Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup>** - *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*  
 9:00 am +Carol Beckner – Madeline Haller  
 11:00 am Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

**November 18, 2018**

**33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Collection November 10/11 \$4,850.80  
**2018 Collection to Date \$256,162.98**  
**2018 Total Budgeted Collection \$366,600.00**

**Looking Ahead to Nov. 25, 2018**  
**FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**

Deuteronomy 7: 13-14  
 Revelation 1: 5-8 John 18: 33b - 37

**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

Mon. Nov. 19: **Rev. Jerome Mascarenhas, OCD**  
 Tues. Nov. 20: **Rev. Paul Jamroz**  
 Wed Nov. 21: **Society of Sacred Heart of Jesus**  
 Thu. Nov. 22: **Rev. Lawrence Parent, OFM**  
 Fri. Nov. 23: **Rev. Francisco Cruz**  
 Sat. Nov. 24: **Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski**

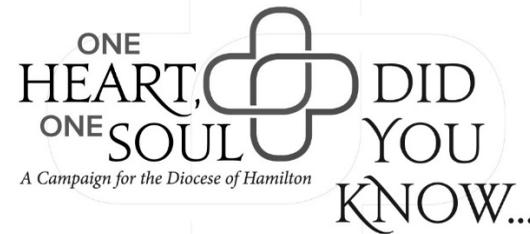
**WHAT'S HAPPENING**  
**IN THE PARISH**

**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

**Sunday**  
 Confirmation Mtg # 2 (H) 12:30 pm



**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every Parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Answers to a set of Frequently Asked Questions appear in Parish bulletins regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at [www.oneheartonesoul.ca](http://www.oneheartonesoul.ca).

**What is the Diocese of Hamilton?**

The Diocese is an area of southeastern Ontario and a collection of 118 Parishes and 28 mission churches with 160 active priests. The Diocese aims to shepherd, support and serve Catholics in those Parishes and this region.

**Why does the Diocese need a campaign? Isn't it already financially sound?**

Yes, the Diocese is financially sound, and that stability is allowing the Diocese to conduct a campaign that focuses on the needs of Parishes, while also enhancing some Diocesan ministries. The campaign is part of the long-term vision for the Diocese, a vision of a thriving Diocese supporting thriving Parishes working to draw more people closer to Christ. The campaign has the potential to renew struggling Parishes and to make strong Parishes stronger.

**What are the Diocese's specific goals for the portion of funds it receives?**

Fifteen percent of the funds raised will go toward shared Diocesan ministries. These include campus ministry to college and university students as well as several ministries focused on those in need: hospital

ministry, prison ministry and ministry to migrant workers.

**Why did the Diocese choose the Steier Group as a consultant for this campaign?**

The Diocese of Hamilton searched for a firm that best fit the Diocese's needs and interviewed some of the leading Catholic fundraising companies in North America. The Steier Group's tremendous experience with Catholic Diocesan and Parish campaigns, the quality of their on-site campaign managers, and – perhaps most of all – their love of the Church and commitment to living and encouraging Christian stewardship played big roles in the decision.

**WARMTH and COMFORT**  
**CAMPAIGN**

The Catholic Women's League is focusing this year on how to help our homeless neighbours. We invite you to take part in our Warmth and Comfort campaign, from November to mid-December, by collecting warm socks to be delivered to the men at the House of Friendship. A basket is now available at the entrance of the church for your donations. As the Christmas season approaches help us share the gift of warmth through new socks for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Thank you.



**AROUND TOWN**

**Hope Comes to Earth** Spiritus Ensemble performs the *Magnificat* and the Cantata *Wachet auf* ('Sleepers, awake!') by Bach, as well as *The Temple* by Zachary Wadsworth. Sun. Nov. 25, 3pm at Trillium Lutheran Church, Waterloo. \$30 adults, \$25 seniors, \$10 students, \$5 children. Tickets at the door or [www.spiritusensemble.com](http://www.spiritusensemble.com)

## From the Pastor's Desk:

In two weeks Advent will begin. What exactly is Advent? The word **advent** comes from the Latin for "arrival" or "coming". It is a liturgical season that begins four weeks before Christmas, and concludes as the opening song begins at the first Christmas Mass. Advent has a twofold purpose: one, to prepare ourselves anew for the first "coming" of Christ in his Incarnation (birth); and two, to prepare ourselves to celebrate the second "coming" of Christ on the last day. As we prepare for both of these "comings" we do so with **patience** as we **wait**, and with **joyful hope** as we **anticipate** the fulfillment of the coming of Christ. As the Vatican II document, *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar* says: "Advent is thus a period of devout and joyful expectation" (par. # 39).

Advent fits into the traditions of the church, most especially in that the church has always taught that for significant events in our lives of faith we are called to prepare, and not just simply celebrate the event when it arrives. Christmas is clearly a significant event in our lives of faith, thus, we have a four week period to prepare ourselves spiritually – Advent is that period of spiritual preparation. The church has also taught that during periods of spiritual preparation we are called to rid ourselves of those things that might stop us from fully embracing the event for which we prepare. What is one thing we are called to rid from our lives? Sin. It is for this reason that we provide more opportunities to confess sins during this Advent period of spiritual preparation. With this in mind, the church will be open for confessions on **Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon; again on **Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** from 1:00

pm – 3:00 pm; and on **Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm (the usual confession times on Saturday's at 4:00 pm will be **cancelled** on the above three Saturday's).

~ Father Tim, CR



## SENIORS' CHRISTMAS DINNER



Join us for our annual Christmas Dinner on Wed. Dec. 5 following the 6pm Parish Mass. Full turkey dinner, catered by Kennedy's!

Cost is \$18 for adults, children 12 and under \$9. Tickets can be purchased in the parish office now or after Masses on Nov. 24/25 and Dec. 1/2. All CWL members, their families and all seniors of the parish are invited to attend.

## ADVENT EMAILS FOR CHILDREN IN JUNIOR GRADES

Children in grades 4-6 are invited to join an Advent "Name-a-day" email group. Each day of Advent you will receive an email with a picture that represents a name for Jesus found in scripture. These many names of Jesus help us understand who he is and why God became human like us. You can spend the day trying to figure out what name the picture represents. The answer, with a scripture reference telling you where to find that name in the Bible, will be sent the following morning, along with a new picture to puzzle out. If you would like to receive these emails throughout Advent, please have a parent or guardian send Paula Rush an email at paulacatechist@gmail.com before Sunday, December 2, the first Sunday of Advent!

## COOKIES FOR HOMEBOUND

*It's the most wonderful time of the year!  
With cookies to bake,  
for Fr. Tim to take,  
to seniors who can't come here,  
it's the heart-warming-est time of the year!*



If you are making Christmas cookies and are able to make an extra dozen to share with our parishioners who are homebound, please drop them off at the parish **between Nov. 24 and Dec. 2**. Fr. Tim and Raphael will visit our homebound during Advent and share the Christmas spirit. Thank you for keeping our parish family connected at Christmas!

## ADVENT CHARITIES COLLECTION

Every year we invite you to make a donation as part of your Advent preparation. This year all monies donated to our Advent Charities Collection will go the Hospice of Waterloo Region, who provide "Whole Person care focused on supporting and improving the quality of life for persons who are living with or dying from advanced illness and for those who are bereaved by the loss of a loved one." Hospice Waterloo Region is also building a new facility in North Waterloo to continue their mission, so the extra donation they will receive from our collection will be greatly appreciated. Please use the envelopes in your boxes (extras will be provided next week if you need one) and make cheques payable to St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Thank you!

*"Jesus made it so death does not have the last word: those who believe in Him will be transfigured by the Father's merciful love for an eternal and blessed life."*

~ @Pontifex, November 2, 2018



## THANK YOU & CONGRATULATIONS

Thank you to all the amazing volunteers who made the Christmas Bazaar another huge success! It was a day filled with family fun, great prizes, yummy treats and beautiful crafts, and we could not have done it without all of our helpers. Thank you also to everyone who donated the baking, crafts, prizes and treasures, you gave our bazaar Christmas cheer! **Congratulations to the winners of the Major Raffle:**

- 1 43" Smart TV: Dianne Hoffman
- 2 \$300 cash: Brad and Wendy Wagner
- 3 Nativity set and Crèche: Joan Pfaff
- 4 Wooden Toy/Blanket Box: Trudy Henry
- 5 Theatre Tickets and Restaurant Gift Card: Patricia Brant
- 6 Molinari Wine Making: Victor Springall
- 7 Newtex Gift Certificate: Marg George
- 8 Newtex Gift Certificate: Mary Braun

## THANK YOU FROM ST. PAUL'S

The students and staff of St Paul C.E.S would like to extend our sincere thanks to the St. Francis Parish community. With your added generosity and support the annual dance-a-thon raised over \$9000. These funds are used to support and enhance learning opportunities in order to improve student achievement.

## SONGS OF ADVENT & THE BIRTH OF JESUS

Join us for an evening of traditional and contemporary seasonal music on Fri. Dec. 14 at 7pm in the church. Led by John B. Miller and Friends, a group of professional musicians featuring Andrea Weber Steckly, Steve Martin, Donna McLellan and Joe Orlando. This will be a fun and prayerful event, a great break from the bustle of Christmas preparations. A free-will offering will be taken to cover expenses.

## VOCATION CORNER

If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen. Give God your total self for, when the end of times comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever. If you feel God may be calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon in His Church, contact Fr. Dan Lobsinger CR, Resurrectionist Director of Vocations [crvocations@gmail.com](mailto:crvocations@gmail.com) or Fr. Michael King, Diocesan Director of Vocations, [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com) or 905-528-7988 [www.vocationculture.ca](http://www.vocationculture.ca)

**Coping with Christmas** Grieving the death of a loved one at any time is difficult but it can seem all the worse as we approach the Christmas season. This time of year often reminds us of our loved ones who are no longer with us along with feelings of loss and sadness. We may begin to worry about our sense of belonging and how we are going to cope without our loved one. Join us as we watch a video and discuss ways to reduce stress while still being able to find joy in each moment, trusting that there will be brighter days ahead. Wed. November 21<sup>st</sup> – 7 pm – St. Michael's Parish Centre, Waterloo. Please register for this session by contacting the Parish Office at 519-884-9311 ext. 0 by Tues. Nov. 13. If you are leaving a message, please leave your telephone number.

**Service with Taizé Music** Singing is one of the most essential elements of worship. Short songs, repeated again and again, give it a meditative character. Using just a few words, they express a basic reality of faith, quickly grasped by the mind and gradually penetrating one's being to the heart. We invite you to join us in prayer for world peace and unity among creation on Sun. Nov. 25 at 7:30pm at Waterloo North Mennonite Church.

**Making Sense of Jingle Bells** Some thoughts on seeking the Christ Child when you are not in a festive mood. Presented by WHY@Breakfast, speaker Rev. John Lougheed, retired hospital chaplain and part-time presider at a local funeral home. Sat. Nov. 24, 8:30am morning prayer, 9:30 – 11am presentation at Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo. Visit [www.whyatbreakfast.com](http://www.whyatbreakfast.com) for more information, and call the parish office at 519-886-0342 to RSVP.

**Healing Mass for those Mourning the Death of a Child** Bishop Crosby will celebrate a healing Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton on Sun. Dec. 2 at 4pm. All who are grieving this painful and life-altering experience, parents, grandparents, family members, are welcome. Registration is preferred but not required, call 905-528-7988 ext 2249 or [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

**Adoration for Life** Come, let us adore Jesus in the Eucharist at the following 4 Locations: Tues. Nov. 27, (Spanish) 6:15pm St. John's, Kit. Thurs. Dec. 6, 11am-noon St. Mary's, Kitchener Thurs. Dec. 6, 6pm St. Agnes RC, Waterloo Fri. Dec. 7, 6-7pm St. Teresa's, Kitchener

**The Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation** (CWLF) is accepting applications for their 2019 Leadership Program for Canadian Catholic women. The Program will be facilitated by the Providence School of Transformative Leadership and Spirituality, Saint Paul University, Ottawa. For more information about CWLF, the Leadership Program, and to complete an application form visit: [www.cwlfcanada.ca](http://www.cwlfcanada.ca).

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Administered by the Congregation of the Resurrection: [www.resurrectionists.ca](http://www.resurrectionists.ca)



### 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.

<b>Pastor:</b>	Fr. Tim Uniac, C.R. ( <a href="mailto:tuniac@hamiltondiocese.com">tuniac@hamiltondiocese.com</a> )
<b>Pastoral Minister:</b>	Miss Ruthann Fisher ( <a href="mailto:rfisher@hamiltondiocese.com">rfisher@hamiltondiocese.com</a> )
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Mrs. Terrienne Moulton
<b>Admin. Assistant:</b>	Ms. Alice Soeder
<b>Building Manager:</b>	Mr. Gary Howell
<b>Seminarian:</b>	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](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)  
[www.vocationculture.ca](http://www.vocationculture.ca)



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

*"Be alert at all times, praying that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."*

Luke 21: 36

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