

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**January 8 - 13, 2019**

**NO WEEKDAY MASSES JANUARY 8 – 11**

**Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup>** - *The Baptism of the Lord*  
 5:00 pm +Maria & Manuel Barbosa – Aida & David Haukenfrers  
 +Bernice Meyer – the Family  
 +Lorne MacDonald – Margaret & Dana Walsh  
 +Gerald Joseph MacDonald – Sonia Fitzpatrick  
 +Deceased Members of Arnold & Wilkins Families – Julie Wilkins  
 +Deceased Members of Longo & O’Grady Families – Eileen & Mary Longo

**Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup>** - *The Baptism of the Lord*  
 9:00 am Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi  
 11:00 am Intentions of Fr. Lucas Savarimuthu – the Westman / Voll Family

**January 6, 2019**  
**EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

Christmas Collection \$14,737.00  
 Collection December 29/30 \$5,840.00  
**2018 Total Collection \$313,176.84**  
**2018 Total Budgeted Collection \$366,600.00**

**Looking Ahead to Jan. 13, 2019**  
**BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11  
 Titus 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7 Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

**WHAT’S HAPPENING IN THE PARISH**

**Monday**  
 Celebrating the Word (RR) 7:30 pm  
 Overeaters Anonymous (AR) 7:30 pm

**Thursday**  
 Catechesis of Good Shepherd (AR) 9:00 am  
 Seniors’ Lunch (Concordia Club) 12 noon  
 Catechesis of Good Shepherd (AR) 4:30 pm  
 Health & Wellness Cmte (RR) 7:00 pm  
 Choir Practice (C) 7:30 pm

**Saturday**  
 Confirmation Retreat (H) 1:00 pm

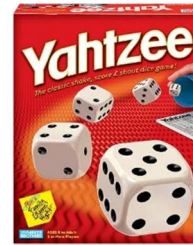
**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

Mon. Jan. 7: **Rev. Stipe Renic, OFM**  
 Tues. Jan. 8: **Rev. Peter Watters**  
 Wed Jan. 9: **Felician Franciscan Sisters (CSSF)**  
 Thu. Jan. 10: **Rev. Ilija Petkovic**  
 Fri. Jan. 11: **Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic**  
 Sat. Jan. 12: **Rev. Michael Vanderbeek, LC**



Mark your calendars for our next **SENIORS’ LUNCH, Thursday January 10, 12 noon, at the Concordia Club.** We will have a special menu with choices ranging from \$15.50 – 17.50, including coffee/tea and dessert. Please RSVP when you receive a call, or by contacting the parish office by Mon. Jan. 7, 519-745-7301 or [stfranciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stfranciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com). Please join us for our monthly lunches at local restaurants, get to know other parishioners and enjoy some fabulous food!

**MONTHLY GAME DAY**



On the third Thursday of each month we get together and play silly games! Join us on **THURS. Jan. 17** from 2 – 4pm in the Parish Hall. Bring cards, board games, some friends! No cost, snacks provided. For more info contact Jane Kuronen at 519-745-6033.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY**



runs January 18 – 25, culminating on the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. We will celebrate with our ecumenical brothers and sisters in the Churches of Forest Hill with a pulpit exchange on the weekend of Jan. 19/20, where we will have a guest speaker at both the 9am and 11am Masses. Forest Hill United Church is also organizing a...

**MUSIC AND PRAYER SERVICE**

on Sun. Jan. 20 at 2pm, which will be held here at St. Francis Parish. Mark your calendars now and don’t miss this annual event! We gain so much strength and peace when we pray together. Come and join us!

**CHURCH ENVELOPES FOR 2019**

are available for pickup in the parish hall. If you use **Pre-Authorized Giving** please note you still have a small box of special envelopes to pick up.

**DONATION TAX RECEIPTS** for 2018

will be available in late January. Thank you for your generosity over the past year!

**PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING**



We are blessed to have very generous parishioners here at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, and we’d like to thank you for your support. We would also like to remind you that we have a Pre-Authorized Giving Program, where you can sign up to have weekly or monthly donations automatically withdrawn from your bank account and given to St. Francis Parish. You set the amount you want to give, and you can change it whenever you need to. The program is easy to sign up for and has many benefits for you, the parish and the environment:

- you don’t have to remember a cheque or scramble to find cash every weekend
- when you cannot be with us in person your automatic donation still helps support the parish needs
- you save paper by getting a smaller box of special occasion envelopes instead of the regular box
- you save our volunteers and parish staff time since processing automatic giving is much faster and easier

If you want to learn more about Pre-Authorized Giving please contact Alice in the parish office.

**1<sup>st</sup> RECONCILIATION & 1<sup>st</sup> COMMUNION PARENT MTG**

This is a reminder to all parents whose children are registered to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation and 1<sup>st</sup> Communion this spring, of the parent meeting on Tues. Jan. 29 at 7pm in the Parish Hall. Please contact Ruthann if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing you!

## CHILDREN OFTEN TALK...

...about what they want to be “when they grow up”: doctors, lawyers, athletes, nurses, movie stars, teachers, carpenters. They may talk about these roles, but do they ever talk about being a priest, sister of brother? You are the hand of God – encourage your children to consider church minister. If you want to learn more, contact Fr. Dan Lobsinger CR, Resurrectionist Director of Vocations, at [vocationculture@gmail.com](mailto:vocationculture@gmail.com).

[www.vocationculture.ca](http://www.vocationculture.ca)

### AROUND TOWN

**Theology on Tap** will be hosting our 3<sup>rd</sup> event of the season on Tues. Jan. 15, from 7-9pm at the Albion Hotel in Guelph. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese, will be speaking on the topic “Living Life in a Throw Away Culture”. Free finger food will be provided. A special invite goes out to all young adults between the ages of 19 and 40. For more information please visit us on facebook “Theology on Tap Guelph” or email [theologyontapguelph@gmail.com](mailto:theologyontapguelph@gmail.com).

#### Faith Enrichment at St. Louis Church:

**Mondays, 7:30 - 9 pm** – Frances Hogan’s Gospel of Luke, starting on Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>. Join us for a detailed study of the author, setting and all the action in this Gospel which we hear on Sundays during 2019. No cost. Bring your Bible.

**Thursdays, 1 - 2:30 pm** – *Lectio: Mark: Faith not Fear* series led by Dr. Tim Gray, starting on Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>. Do you follow Jesus ‘on the way’? Is the Gospel of Mark only a “condensed” version of the life of Christ? What does it have to offer us that the Gospels of Matthew, Luke, and John do not? Join Dr. Tim Gray in this powerful

fourteen-part series to discover the Gospel of Mark like never before. No cost for the course. Workbook \$25.

Both studies will be held in the Large Hall of St. Louis Church, Waterloo. Enter via side elevator. For more info call 519-743-4101.

#### Healthy Relationships Share Common Skills

Come and learn more! “Keys to Loving Relationships” is a 10 week video-based program that all people (married, dating or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better “me” in all your relationships! Program is offered in Kitchener at St. Mark’s Tuesday evenings from 7-9pm, Jan. 22 – March 19, 2019. Cost is \$45. For more info or to register contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext 2249 or visit Upcoming Events at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

#### Seeking the Sacred: The Soul’s Slow Ripening

A Senior Adult Workshop Series taking place 7 Tuesday afternoons, starting Jan. 29, from 1:30-3:30pm at the Chancery Office in Hamilton. This series will explore twelve unique Celtic-Christian spiritual practices. These 12 practices are intended to give practical ways for us to deepen our relationship with God and all of creation. The course will be facilitated by Sr. Mary Heather MacKinnon, SSND. Cost is \$35 which includes the text. Please register by Jan. 25. For more information please call 905-528-7988 ext 2238 or check the website:

[www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

*“Today more than ever, our societies need “artisans of peace”, messengers and witnesses of God the Father, who wills the good and the happiness of the human family.”*

~ @Pontifex, January 1, 2019



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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.

<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>	Rev. Mr. 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.”*

*“We observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay homage to the Lord.”* Matthew 2: 2

## EPIPHANY OF THE LORD January 6, 2019

