

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Administered by the Congregation of the Resurrection: www.resurrectionists.ca

Lord's Day Masses – with distancing

Saturday at 5:00 pm
Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Masses – with distancing

Tuesday – Friday at 9:00 am

Kerala Roman Catholic Mass

Celebrated by Fr. Stephen Gilbert
Sunday at 5:30 p.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 – 4:30 pm
or by appointment.

Sunday Children's Liturgy

Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Mass

Prayer Network

Call parish office to request prayers

Funerals

Please call the parish office.

Baptism and Marriage

Please call the parish office.

Pastor:	Fr. Murray McDermott, C.R. (mmcdermott@hamiltondiocese.com)
住宿:	Fr. Raphael Ma, C.R. (rma@hamiltondiocese.com)
Pastoral Minister:	Miss Ruthann Fisher (rfisher@hamiltondiocese.com)
Music Ministry:	Mrs. Terrienne Moulton
Admin. Assistant:	Miss Amanda Sage
Building Manager:	Mr. Gary Howell

Parish Office

Open Monday – Friday
8:30 am – noon & 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Vocations Information:

[Hamilton Diocese](#) [Congregation of the Resurrection](#)



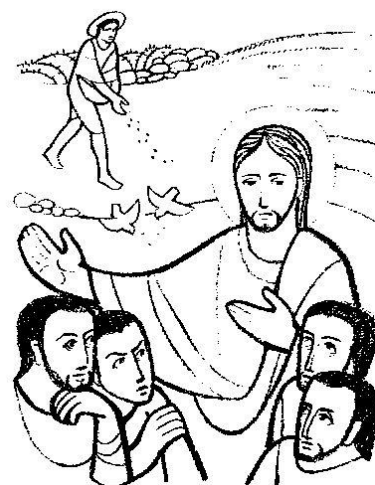
*"We are a Christ-centered faith
community seeking to be
instruments of God's peace."*

July 16th, 2023

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all who come to
him will live forever."*

- Luke 8:11



MASS INTENTIONS July 18th – 23rd, 2023

Tuesday, 18th	<i>Ferial</i>	+Larry Watchorn – Mary Joan Bertrand
Wednesday, 19th	<i>Ferial</i>	Int of the family of Conrad Barth – Sandy Milne
Thursday, 20th	<i>Ferial</i>	+Deceased members of Novak Family – Anne & Matt Kastelec
Friday, 21st	<i>Ferial</i>	Int. Betty Corrigan – Anne Pritchard
Saturday, 22nd 5:00 p.m.	<i>16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Int. of Dr. Tom Shoniker – Maryann Shoniker Int. Fran Hergott – Mary & Gwyn +Eileen Cox – Cathy & Lucille Vanzielegem +Carlos Codeco – Laurentina Codeco
Sunday, 23rd 9:00 a.m.	<i>16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	+Angela, Reno & Tony Ianni – Maurizio Ianni
11:00 a.m.	<i>16th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	For the Parishioners of St. Francis

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday

Seniors Gentle Exercise (H) 2:30 pm
Overeaters Anonymous (H) 7:00 pm

Wednesday

Seniors Gentle Exercise (H) 2:30 pm

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR


Mon. July 17: **Rev. Marko Stefanec**
Tues. July 18: **Rev. Joseph Abiola Akanbi**
Wed. July 19: **Pallottine Fathers (S.A.C.)**
Thu. July 20: **Rev. Tomy Chittinapilly**
Fri. July 21: **Rev. Mark Morley**
Sat. July 22: **St. Mary Magdalene, Disciple of the Lord**

FR. MURRAY & FR. RAPHAEL'S HOMILIES ONLINE

This week's homily will be preached by Fr. Joseph Srambickal of the Vincentian Missionary in India.

[You can listen to past homilies by clicking here.](#)


Supporting St. Francis Parish For the Next 100 Years

Please remember St. Francis Parish,  Kitchener, when creating or updating your will. Thank you for your consideration.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

July 8/9	\$ 4,626.75
2023 Total Collection	\$146,891.68
2023 Total Budget	\$280,000.00

Novena to St. Mary Magdalene

The Apostles of the Resurrection are lay associates of the Congregation of the Resurrection, with St. Mary Magdalene as their patron saint. As we approach the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene, Apostles to the Apostles, on July 22 the Apostles of the Resurrection invite you to pray a Novena with them. Beginning on July 14 for nine days, a special reflection, prayer and litany will be posted on the Resurrectionist website, www.resurrectionists.ca. Please take a moment to pray this daily prayer for your intentions and for the intentions of the Apostles. 

Visiting Missionary at St. Francis

We welcome Fr. Joseph Srambickal V.C., a Vincentian Missionary Priest from India, to our parish this weekend to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He will share his missionary experience at all the Masses and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions. The Vincentian Missionaries need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities in their missions. They also request our special financial support for the training of young men studying for priesthood. There will be special collection today to help the Missionary work of the Vincentian Missionaries. If you did not have an opportunity to make an offering today, or would like to make an additional offering, you may make it through the general parish collection next weekend in a specially marked envelope. Thank you very much for your prayers and generous financial support. The Vincentian Missionaries keep you and your parish in their prayers and Masses.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Registration for the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program, starting in the fall, is now open! This opportunity for faith formation for children takes place weekly from Fall until Spring in the Assisi Atrium at St. Francis Church. Small groups of children meet with trained catechists to pray, work, and sing. The cost is \$25 per child, and there will be 3 different sessions available: Tuesdays 4:00-6:00 pm, ages 6-9 (grades 1-3); Wednesdays 4:00-5:30 pm, ages 3-6; Thursdays 4:00-5:30 pm, ages 3-6. For more information visit www.cgsac.ca and the [Catechesis page on our website](#) under Ministries & Groups. To register please fill out the [registration form on our website](#) or contact the office at 519-745-7301 or stfranciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com by August 31st.

Medical Scholarship for Catholics

Are you a student? Are you interested in pursuing medical school? The Dr. H. Patrick and Mrs. Gayle E. Cunningham Medical Scholarship has been established to provide grants for Catholics who want to pursue medical school. If you are interested or know anyone who is, please encourage them to apply. The application deadline is July 28, 2023.

More details, and the application form can be found on our website: www.stfranciskw.ca, under forms. If you have any questions please contact Mary Claire Morgan at mcmorgan@hamiltondiocese.com.

AROUND TOWN

Job Opportunity at the Marian Residence Retirement Home- Do you want to make a difference? Do you find joy in serving and helping others? If so, we'd love to meet you! Marian Residence Retirement Home in Cambridge, ON is looking for a **Nurse!** Email us at careers@marianresidence.ca for more information on joining our team!

NEXT SUNDAY: Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

- 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 at the Carmel of St. Joseph Monastery, St. Agatha on Sunday, July 16, 2023 at 2.00 pm. The Rosary will precede the Mass. The celebrant will be Auxiliary Bishop Wayne Lobsinger.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

–Summer should be a time of relaxation, slowed schedules and time spent together as a family. All three of these are essential elements for good mental health for all family members, including children. So, together spend time outdoors, play games, cook or bake and pray because these are the moments that will strengthen your family bond. Take a holiday from social media and devices while doing so, which can help to prevent the negative mental health issues in children they are known to produce. Renew your commitment to in person, device free time together this summer and watch your children thrive. From: Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

Grief Relief

– Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. Find out more on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support>, or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. We will have programs running in both Waterloo and Hamilton this fall.