St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Administered by the Congregation of the Resurrection:

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) Fr. Raphael Ma, C.R. 住宿: (rma@hamiltondiocese.com) Miss Ruthann Fisher Pastoral Minister: (rfisher@hamiltondiocese.com) Mrs. Terrianne Moulton **Music Ministry:**

Admin. Assistant: Miss Amanda Sage Mr. Gary Howell **Building Manager:**

Parish Office

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

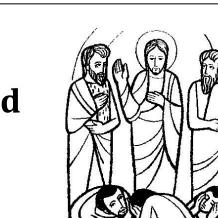
Vocations Information: Hamilton Diocese Congregation of the Resurrection

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

August 6th, 2023 The Transfiguration of the Lord

"This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"

- Matthew 17:5





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MASS INTENTIONS August 8 th – August 13 th , 2023			
Tuesday, 8 th	Feast of: St. Dominic	+Luann Mahn – The Mahn Family	
Wednesday, 9 th	Ferial	+Eileen Cox – Helen Shantz	
Thursday, 10 th	Feast of: St. Lawrence	+Clara Ferraccioli – Joan Ferraccioli & Family	
Friday, 11 th	Feast of: St. Clare	+Greta Ann Brown – Joan & Robert Frank	
Saturday, 12th 5:00 p.m.	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Larry Watchorn – Joan Bert Int. Michael, Denise & Vanessa Vazieleghem – Cathy and Lucille Vazieleghem +Deceased members of the Longo & O'Grady Families – Eileen & Mary Longo	
Sunday, 13th 9:00 a.m.	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Gabriel Prudnikowicz – Stan Prudnikowicz	
11:00 a.m.	19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	For the Parishioners of St. Francis	

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday

<i>Office Closed</i>	
Overeaters Anonymous (H)	7:00 pm
Wednesday	
Seniors Gentle Exercise (H)	2:30 pm

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Aug 7: **Rev. Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba** Tues. Aug 8: **Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis** Wed. Aug 9: **Legionaries of Christ (L.C.)** Thu. Aug 10: **Rev. Lajos Angyal** Fri Aug 11: **St. Clare, Virgin** Sat. Aug 12: **Rev. Stefano Lee**

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

July 29/30	\$ 5,729.75
2023 Total Collection	\$162,014.38
2023 Total Budget	\$280,000.00

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.

FR. MURRAY & FR. RAPHAEL'S HOMILIES ONLINE



You can listen to past homilies by clicking here.

Catechetical Correspondence Courses

For parents of children who attend public school, the Diocese of Hamilton offers the Catechetical Correspondence courses from kindergarten to secondary school. St. Francis of Assisi has a mandatory rule that children be enrolled and take the correspondence courses for grade 2-first Eucharist and grade 7 Confirmation if your child is planning on receiving these sacraments. We encourage families to take part in all the courses if То they can. register, visit: https://shorturl.at/uvCPQ. Please contact our parish office if these costs create problems. Also the Diocese is in need of facilitators for this program. If you are interested in assisting, please contact the parish office. Training will be provided.

St. Francis Ministry Spotlight Church Decorator

Position Description

The church decorating team is responsible for decorating the Sanctuary for various seasons throughout the church year. This includes Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving, the Feast of St. Francis etc. Volunteers could be asked to order, purchase (and be reimbursed), pickup and arrange live plants / flowers and other décor in the sanctuary, nave and entrance of the church. If you have a passion for decorating and understand that church décor is to enhance worship and give praise to God, then this ministry is for you!

Why I joined the decorating ministry:

"I enjoy helping to decorate the church on special occasions. I feel that I help create a warm and welcoming place to celebrate mass. I believe that arranged decorations can help set the tone for prayer, reflection, and celebration, and I hope that it allows individuals to feel more comfortable and engaged during their time at the church. I enjoy working together with other volunteers because I know that working together to achieve a similar objective develops a sense of community. It allows me to connect with others who share my desire to serve the church and strengthen relationships within the community.

-Jennifer White

For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact the Parish office: 519-745-7301 or stfranciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com

Graduation Award for Secondary School Students

St. Francis Parish team is proud to announce the winner and runner-up for our graduation awards. This Sunday at 11AM Mass our runner-up, Isabella Ortiz, will receive her gift of \$100.00 and a gift from the parish, with our heartfelt thanks for all she has accomplished here at the parish. In her younger years, Isabella was a part of a liturgical dance troupe at the parish. She has been a member here since she was little and is presently assisting with our children's liturgy group. Isabella will be heading to the Univ. of Waterloo this fall.

Great job!

The winner of the award, \$250.00 + a gift from the parish, is Abigail White, who will receive her award at the 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday August 26th. Abby has also been here at the parish for many years, beginning her ministry as an altar server and later becoming a lector. During Lent, she and Fr. Raphael hosted our Lenten program The Chosen. She will be taking Nursing at McMaster in the fall.

St. Francis Ministry Spotlight Parish Events Committee

Position Description

Throughout the year, St. Francis runs various large events that fosters community and parish life. These events take organization, planning and teamwork in order to run successfully. As a member of this committee, you would be asked to lead or help to plan, organize and execute one or more of various parish social events, such as the Parish Picnic, Mardi Gras Supper, Feast of St. Francis Pasta Supper, Christmas Bazaar, Christmas Dinner, Garage Sale, etc. Being on this team does not commit you to every event, but allows you the flexibility to pick and choose which you'd like to be a part of when they come up. These are short-term commitments and provide you with the opportunity to get to meet new people and learn some new skills.

<u>Game Time:</u> Get to know the Annual Parish Events at St. Francis! In the diagram below, match the event with its corresponding photo!

Feast of St. Francis Dinner

Parish Bazaar

Christmas Dinner

Mardi Gras Pancake Supper

Garage Sale

Parish Picnic



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