

Monday, May 8 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Frances & Maurice Zadro, Marissa Finoro, Intentions of the Lowe Family

Tuesday May 9 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – John Joseph Seifred, Intentions of the Sousa Family, Intentions of Maria & Andrew

Wednesday, May 10 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Peter Powers, John Drolc Jr., Gerald Anderson

Thursday, May 11 – Ferial: Weekday

7:00p.m. – John Richard Synnott, Deceased Members of the Shea & Walinga Families, Bruce Wilson

Friday, May 12 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Amelia Weiler, Evelyn Krusky, Joan Malak

Saturday, May 13 – Ferial

5:15p.m. – Deceased Members of the Carmichael Family, Tony Manera, Ida Marie Panella Carlough

Sunday, May 14 – Fifth Sunday of Easter **9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.**

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$15,302.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessing.

+We extend our prayers and congratulations to Peter W. Delanghe and Adriana Glofcheskie on the recent celebration of their marriage.

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the families of Sheila Corbett and Silvia Cupelli who were called to the glory of resurrected life. May they rest in peace.

PARISH NEWS

FIRST COMMUNION

Today at 1:30p.m. the Grade Two students of St. Ignatius School will come to the Eucharistic table of the Lord for the first time. We thank their teachers and parents for preparing these children for this new step in their faith life journey.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: THE CHRISTIAN STEWARD

In the lives of disciples, something else must come before the practice of stewardship. They need a flash of insight – a certain way of seeing – by which they view the world and their relationship to it in a fresh new light. "The world is charged with the grandeur of God," Gerald Manley Hopkins exclaims; more than anything else, it may be the grandeur in all that is, that sets people on the path of Christian stewardship – "whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God" (1Cor.10:31). What is it that makes people grateful for God's gifts – to see life in a whole new way:

- for some it is a recovery from illness
- for others the birth of a baby or the death of a loved one
- others see God's generous gifts in the beauty of the world that surrounds us, from the smallest flower to the grandest mountain
- some find it in the vastness of the universe; the power in the stars; the emptiness of the black void

Christian Stewardship helps me contact my gratefulness for what God has created with my question about why I am here – to be the good steward of God's gifts, cultivate them for the Kingdom and share them with others.

DEEPENING OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE

On May 8th, 15th and 23rd Dr. Robin Fishburn will present a three part series on 'Deepening Our Spiritual Life+ in the parish hall at 7p.m. Week 1. Jesus, Hope of the Penitent. how kind are you to those who ask?. how good are you to those who seek?. what must you be to those who find? All are invited to attend these informative sessions to help you grow in your spiritual journey. Please register by calling the Parish Office at 519-824-3951.

CONGRATULATIONS

On Tuesday, May 9th Father James McSharry will celebrate his 25th anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood. He will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving on Sunday, May 14th at 11a.m.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Tuesday, May 7th is our next General Meeting beginning at 7:00p.m. with Mass at 6:30p.m. Please note that our annual convention will be held the weekend of May 26th, 27th and 28th in Kitchener. Those wishing to attend any part of the convention or the closing supper on the 28th are welcome. Please contact Diane Jones at 519-821-6858 and maybe a carpool can be arranged from the Basilica.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

This May help to plant a Garden of Grace for parents who have lost a child before birth. This place of remembrance, peace and healing is on the property of the Basilica and volunteers are needed to help with planting. Call 519-836-6311 or email: facts@guelphforlife.com.

OTHER NEWS

VOCATION SEEDS

The Good Shepherd calls His own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. If God is calling you, contact Father Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation of the Diocese of Hamilton at 1-905-528-7988 or email: mking@hamiltondiocese.com.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON YOUTH RALLY JUNE 3RD

Registration is now OPEN. YOUTH in grade 7-12 are invited to participate in the Youth Rally taking place at CYO Camp Brebeuf Rockwood Saturday, June 3rd. The day will focus on the theme All Are Welcome.+The day will consist of a keynote address, workshops, celebration of the Eucharist, fellowship and fun! Registration is \$20 per person. Please visit http://hamiltondiocese.com/youthrally/ for more details. Individual and group registration will close May 1st.

NATIONAL MARCH FOR LIFE

There will be a local bus to the National March for Life on Thursday, May 11th leaving our parking lot at 5:15a.m. and returning to Guelph at approximately 9:00p.m. To reserve a ticket contact Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311 or email info@guelphforlife.com.

EMPATHY FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS

On May 9th at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W. Hamilton there are two workshops being offered (\$40) or one for \$25. The morning session begins at 9:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. with the topic Hearing Voices+ and the afternoon 1:30p.m.- 4:00p.m. Support for those with Mental Illness: Focus on Youth+with Elizabeth Gatkowski. Registration forms are available at the Information Desk or call the Diocesan Family Ministry Office at 1-905-528-7988.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Tuesday, May 9th has been designated as the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We encourage you to spend an hour before the Blessed Sacrament (between 1p.m. and 5p.m.) to pray for this intention. We invite the Catholic Womens League to gather from 3 to 4p.m.

CYO CAMP BREBEUF

CYO Camp Brebeuf in Rockwood will be offering six weeks of childrens residential camp and seven weeks of day camp in 2017. If you are looking to develop leadership skills Camp Brebeuf will offer you a one week youth leadership program. For more information phone 519-856-4671.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Spring brings new joy and new opportunity as the weather warms and we spend more time outdoors. It is a great chance to draw our childrence attention to the greening grass, flowers sprouting from the ground and leaves opening on the trees. Nature has a cycle and so too does life . remind your children of the creative power of God in making all this happen year after year. Help them to see our role in nature and how our Catholic faith calls us to respect, care for, love and nurture all of Godce created gifts in this world, both human and those in nature. (Family Ministry Office 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2250).

IGNATIUS RETREAT CENTRE

- Baptism by the Spirit: A Guided Retreat with Fr. John Govan SJ June $21^{\rm st}$ to $29^{\rm th}$. Cost \$792 . limited to 12 participants.
- Day of Quiet . Come for your personal day of prayer, recollection and silence. You choose to pray in the chapel, reflect and rest in our lounge, outside etc. Cost \$40 with lunch; \$30 without lunch.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Pilgrimage to Quebec August 7th to 12th with Fr. Jerome Mascarenhas OCD PP Pastor of St. Aloysius Parish Kitchener. Single rooms \$795, Double \$725 or Triple \$695. Visit Cap-de-la-Madeleine; Ste. Anne-de-Beaupre & St. Joseph Oratory Montreal. Contact Rose Gunn at 519-744-5923 or Erna at 519-743-1030.
- Knox Presbyterian Church Guelph is hosting 5 Wednesdays (starting May 3rd) at noon hour (free). Focus will be the piano from classical to jazz to Gospel to Broadway. All are welcome!
- Kiwanis Music Festival Concert and Awards Ceremony May 12th 7p.m. in St. Georgeos Anglican Church. Tickets \$15 (adults); Students & Seniors (\$10); Children 5 and under \$5. Tickets are available at the Door or at the River Run Centre.