



MASSSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, January 8 – Feast: Baptism of the Lord

7:30a.m. – Intentions of Mary & Billy Farquhar, Intentions of Ralph Paidock, Lloyd Forester Malyk

Tuesday, January 9 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Craig Hamilton, Anita Doidge

6:30p.m. – Living & Deceased CWL Members

Wednesday, January 10 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Kay Aguanno, Tom Powers, Intentions of Lori Turner

Thursday, January 11 – Ferial: Weekday

7:00p.m. – Salvatore Seminara, John Downey, Fortunata Limina

Friday, January 12 – Feast: St. Marguerite Bourgeoys

7:30a.m. – John Huck, Intentions of Margaret Mavrou, Intentions of Mary Halfpenny

Saturday, January 13 – Ferial

5:15p.m. – Irma Hogan, Intentions of Massimo Marcone

Sunday, January 14 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings:

December 17th - \$18,054.00; December 24th - \$18,121.10;

December 25th - \$29,967.00; December 31st - \$12,188.00;

January 1st - \$11,306.70

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the families of Harry Perets and Barbara Joubert who were called to eternal life. May they and all our loved ones rest in peace with God.

PARISH NEWS

2018 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Church envelopes are now available for pick up behind the altar in the alcove. We are very grateful for the generosity of our parishioners. You may also apply for our deft program where your donations are given automatically from your bank account. Please do not ask for envelopes if you have no intention of using them. Last year over 150 people never picked up their envelopes and this is an unnecessary expense for the parish.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: "THE GREETING OF PEACE"

PEACE in the Bible is a condition of total well-being, physical health, emotional stability and maturity, concord in family relationships, lack of enmity towards others and right relationships with God. The peace of Christ, according to St. Paul is Christ Himself. He is our peace and has broken down the walls between us to make the new humanity (Eph.2:14-15). To say "Peace of Christ be with you," therefore, is not just another everyday friendly greeting; it most certainly is something much more than "Good morning, isn't it a beautiful day?" The Peace of Christ be with you is of course a beautiful thing to say but we in fact do not always want to be one with others and are not always eager to have the walls between us and others broken down.

If we do take the Greeting of Peace seriously, we must first of all try to see the person we greet. Then we say in our hearts, yes, sister or brother, I do see you as a person, an individual and not just an anonymous face with an outstretched hand. I see you as a sister or brother in Christ, searching for peace. I see you as someone who suffers, whether physically or because of broken relationships within your family, or with your neighbours or with God or within yourself. I see you as one who need the healing, peace-building touch of Christ. I see you as a sister or brother whom I sincerely care about, whose suffering causes me pain, whose healing I very much desire. I care about you and I will do whatever I myself can to relieve your sufferings, to bring about your healing, to bring you to Christ who is our peace. As we begin this new year "May the Peace of Christ be with all of Us!"

PAPAL APPOINTMENTS

The following priests of our Diocese have been appointed chaplains to His Holiness with the title of Monsignor . Rev. Monsignors Victor McNamara; Paul Boucher; Peter Coughlin; Theodore Slaman and Dennis Noon. Eleven lay people are receiving special honours: Robert Gowan as a Knight of St. Gregory; five are receiving the Cross Pro Ecclesia Et Pontifice . Aileen Connell; Robert Corso; Alexandra Milne; Michael Pautler and Sister Nancy Sullivan CSJ. Five are receiving the Benemerenti Medal . Linda Dayler; Teresa Hartnett; Sandor Kollarich; James Montague and John Spatazzo. The ceremony will be held Sunday March 4th at 1:30p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King Hamilton.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

A sincere thank you to all involved with our successful collection in December for Women in Crisis. Memberships of \$25 are now due. Your pink membership envelope is in your box or use your own envelope. Our elections will be held at this meeting as well as our annual reports on January 9th, 2018. Mass is at 6:30p.m. Ladies, join us for fun, faith and fulfillment. Happy New Year and blessings to all.

PASTA DINNER

Join us on Sunday, January 28th for our annual Pasta Dinner. Tickets go on sale this weekend and sell fast. Adults - \$18 . Children 9 and under \$12 . and under 4 years . free. Cash bar available . wine and pop.

CHILDREN'S ADVENT GIFT TO CHALICE

Thank you to the children of the parish who donated \$705.00 during the Sundays of Advent to the Christmas Smile Campaign to feed hungry children. This is a beautiful way to show your concern for other children who are in need.

MINISTRY FAIR & DONUT SUNDAY

Next Sunday after the 9a.m. and 11a.m. Masses the various Ministry Leaders will be in the Hall to explain and invite you to join one of our many parish ministries. Many times people say they would like to become more involved in the parish and this is a great opportunity to learn about our ministries and how you can participate.

MINI-BUS FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Guelph & Area Right to Life is gathering change to support pro-life advertisements on the back of seven city buses in Guelph. There are several ads, containing much-needed educational information about abortion, euthanasia, and local crisis pregnancy support. There is a mini-bus to fill with change that was included in your bulletin on December 10th. Buses can be returned to the church on the weekend of January 21st/ 22nd, 2018. Thank you for your support!

ANXIETY & DEPRESSION SEMINAR

Twenty-three years ago Michael Glugosh was a hostage to his fears and depression. He felt full of despair and filled with anxiety. In time Michael found cognitive behavioural therapy and completely recovered from his anxiety and depression. Since 1993 Michael has given over 1800 seminars and counselled hundreds of people with stress, anxiety and depression related issues. Michael encourages those struggling with stress, anxiety and depression to attend his free seminars to learn the skills to better manage their thoughts and emotions. Join us in our Parish Hall Wednesday, January 24th at 7p.m.

OTHER NEWS**DIOCESAN WIDE RCIA MEETING**

The Liturgy Office will be hosting a Diocesan-wide RCIA Meeting Thursday, January 18th at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Waterdown. There will be two sessions available to choose from 2-4p.m. or 7-9p.m. The theme of the meeting is *Working Towards the Church's Vision of Initiation: A Fresh Look at the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*. Register by calling 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2336.

MULTICULTURAL MASS

The Diocese of Hamilton will be hosting our annual Multicultural Mass on Sunday, January 21st at 1:30p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King Hamilton. This is sure to be a beautiful celebration. All are welcome to join us for the Mass and social event which will take place in the McNally Hall after the celebration. There will be performances by various ethnic groups as well as a chance to sample some delicious foods from around the world.

VOCATION VIEW

The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is present to the world through His Church. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or permanent deacon, then contact Father Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES DUBLIN IRELAND

The World Meeting of Families with Pope Francis will be held in Dublin Ireland August 21st to 26th. The Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip to this international event. Keynote address and workshops will be based on Pope Francis' *Amoris Laetitia*. The Joy of Love. There will be workshops for those 18 and older; 6-17 years; and day care for those 5 and younger. The Diocese has booked a block of rooms for those interested in attending but registration for the Conference Registration can be found at <http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/>. For more information or to book accommodation at our hotel the Maldon Hotel Tallaght go to <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/wmof-2018> or call 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2250 by mid-January if interested.

JUNIOR & SENIOR KINDERGARTEN IN WELLINGTON CATHOLIC

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten beginning January 8th. For Junior Kindergarten you must be four years of age on or before December 31st, 2018 and for Senior Kindergarten you must be five years of age on or before December 31st, 2018. Please bring the child's birth certificate; a child's or parent's baptismal certificate; child's health card/ immunization record/ custody papers (if applicable); proof of tax support for families new to the system (ie. most recent tax bill). Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Junior Kindergarten program are not required to register for Senior Kindergarten. If you have any questions, please call your local school.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PRIMARY YEARS PROGRAMME (JB PYP)

This is a faith-based education that prepares students to become active, caring, lifelong learners and active participants in the world around them. The program is open to all families in Guelph/ Wellington and builds globally-minded, independent thinkers. Registration is open from Jan. 8th to Feb. 2nd but space is limited. An information night will be held Thursday, January 18th at 7p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic School 519-824-2751.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

January begins a new year, a perfect time to reflect on your parenting role. Ask yourself what you are doing well, what you might improve on and where you may need some support. Assess whether you are spending enough quality and quantity time with your children because both matter. Reflect on whether you are providing a strong faith foundation and a strong connection to the Church community, since both have positive heart and spiritual impacts. Now with a clearer vision, set some family goals for the coming year. (Diocesan Family Ministry Office 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2250).

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE SHARE LENT WORKSHOP

A Development & Peace Share Lent workshop will be held Tuesday, January 16th, 2018 at Holy Rosary Parish at 175 Emma St. in Guelph at 7p.m.

SUNDAY (do not change anything here, we'll put a correct header each week)
