



## MASSES OF THE WEEK

**Monday, January 6** – Ferial: Weekday

**7:30a.m.** – Graham Bellamy, Stanley Sockett, George Corbett

**Tuesday, January 7** – Feast: St. Andre Bessette

**6:30p.m.** – Cosmo Ferraro, Intentions of Cathy Evans,  
Special Intentions

**Wednesday, January 8** – Ferial: Weekday

**7:30a.m.** – Helen Gregus, Intentions of Monsignor Dennis Noon

**Thursday, January 9** – Ferial: Weekday

**7:30a.m.** – Allan Lott, Amy Tenass

**Friday, January 10** – Ferial: Weekday

**7:30a.m.** – Intentions of Deacon Quinto Tami, Mary Boinski

**Saturday, January 11** – Ferial

**5:15p.m.** – Donna Hart, Intentions of Frederick Jones,  
Intentions of Fiona Kenny, Intentions of Mary  
Dietrich & Family

**Sunday, January 12** – Feast: Baptism of the Lord

**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 22<sup>nd</sup> - \$18,909.00;*

*December 25<sup>th</sup> - \$38,614.00;*

*December 29<sup>th</sup> - \$14,236.00*

*+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the families of Donald Rainey, Sandra Abbott, Barbara Glassford, Mary Elaine Hunt & Gary Calverley. May they and all our deceased loved ones rest in peace with our Lord.*

## PARISH NEWS

### **2020 PARISH ENVELOPES**

Envelopes for your 2020 weekly donations are available for pick up behind the altar in the alcove. If you are using envelopes regularly you will automatically receive a new set of envelopes. If you have moved within the past year, please inform the office so that our records are updated and you will receive your proper income tax receipt. Your financial support is an important response to the call of Stewardship and is much appreciated, as together we respond as good stewards for the financial support of our parish community.

## **PLANNED GIVING**

The Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate began serving the community in 1999 and remains today a strong symbol of faith. The continued support of parishioners is a wonderful sign of your Stewardship and continues to be important. Ongoing repairs and restoration projects continue and are very costly to fund. Please consider us as you prepare or update your estate and financial plans. A modest gift by the way of bequest, insurance or tangible assets can make a substantial difference to the future of our church. The BUILDING FUND finances immediate repairs and restoration work and helps to pay down our debt while the HERITAGE FUND ensures the Basilica will be in a position of financial security for future generations. For more information please contact the Parish Office at 519-824-3951. We are grateful that the Diocese has taken responsibility for the restoration of our Rectory and offices.

## **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

**DONATIONS:** During January, we are collecting toques, gloves, scarves and underwear in all sizes for the homeless men and women in our community. Please put your donations into the bins provided.

We also welcome donations of packages of rice, beans and jars of peanut butter for Canadian Food for Children.

**MEMBERSHIP:** We are now collecting our annual membership dues for 2020. Membership to the League is \$25 and is for every woman over the age of 16. Dues can be placed in the pink offertory envelope or your own envelope addressed to the Catholic Women's League.

## OTHER NEWS

### **VOCATIONS:**

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

## **JUNIOR & SENIOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS**

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten at our schools beginning January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Kindergarten Eligibility:

- must be four years of age on or before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to attend Junior Kindergarten
- must be five years of age on or before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 to attend Senior Kindergarten

Please bring:

- child's birth certificate
- a parent or child's baptismal certificate
- custody papers (if applicable)
- proof of address
- proof of tax support for families new to the system  
(i.e. most recent tax bill)

### **Please Note:**

Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Junior Kindergarten program are NOT REQUIRED to register for Senior Kindergarten. Should you have any questions about registration procedures or requirements, please call your school or visit the Board website [www.wellingtoncdsb.ca](http://www.wellingtoncdsb.ca).

## **COME RETREAT AT LOYOLA HOUSE**

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? See our website at [loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) for more information on these upcoming retreats & programs at Ignatius Jesuit Centre, 5420 Hwy 6, North, Guelph:

**Ignatian Spirituality Retreat** – January 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>

**Knowing the Heart of Jesus** – February 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>  
(facilitated by Father Bill Clarke, SJ)

**Directed Prayer Weekend** – February 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>

**Finding Your Way Weekend** – February 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>  
(facilitated by Father Paul Panaretos, SJ & Joe Waters)

Register online at [www.loyolahouse.com](http://www.loyolahouse.com) or contact [registration@ignatiusguelph.ca](mailto:registration@ignatiusguelph.ca) or by calling 519-824-1250 ext. 266.

## **OPERATION KEEP WARM**

Donations of tents, tarps, sleeping bags and hiking backpacks are needed. Donations are accepted Monday thru Friday 8:30a.m.-4:30p.m. and Saturday & Sunday from 9a.m.-12p.m. at Wyndham House Resource Centre, 133 Woolwich St., Guelph.

## **PARENTING TIP**

Colder days in January can mean more time indoors, a perfect time to connect as a family. Board games, puzzles, movie night, sharing a decade of the Rosary, baking or cooking a meal together – these are all great ways to interact and learn about each other. The more time we spend with each other, the greater the connection we feel for the other. Children need to feel they are valued and nothing speaks to their hearts more compared to time spent together!

## **MARRIAGE TIP**

New Year's Resolutions are often lofty goals that don't last too long after they are made, but even thinking about them reminds us that there is room for change/improvement. This year skip the resolutions and plan for a specific change in your couple relationship: a date night once a month (weekly if that is realistic); time at the end of each day to ask, what did we do good today, what could we do better; holding hands on walks or while shopping; sharing a coffee every morning before the kids wake up or work interferes; finding one thing to thank your spouse for daily; looking for moments to compliment. There are so many more possibilities, so take the time to do something! At the end of 2020 you will feel a renewed sense of connection and love – try one or try them all, but do try something!

## **KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS COURSE**

"Keys to Loving Relationships" is a ten-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! The program is offered in Kitchener at St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Drive (519-571-9200) Tuesday evenings from 7-9p.m. January 28<sup>th</sup> – March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 & in Hamilton at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton Thursday evenings from 7-9p.m. March 26<sup>th</sup> – June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The cost is \$45.00. For more information or to register, call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or register at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).