



**MASSES OF THE WEEK**

**Monday, August 7 – Ferial: Weekday**

**9:00a.m.** – Maria Agustina, Toni Amadei

**Tuesday, August 8 – Feast: St. Dominic**

**7:30a.m.** – Edison Laxton Sr., John Numan

**Wednesday, August 9 – Ferial: Weekday**

**7:30a.m.** – Nancy, M. Carmela & Dominic  
Cosentino

**Thursday, August 10 – Feast: St. Lawrence**

**7:00p.m.** – Antonio Ridi & Giuseppe Stefano,  
Anna Martelli, Ken Woods,  
Intentions of Ed & Sheila Timson

**Friday, August 11 – Feast: St. Clare**

**7:30a.m.** – Evelyn Krusky, Intentions of Therese  
Strome

**Saturday, August 12 – Ferial**

**5:15p.m.** ó Wallace & Nancy Anderson, Intentions of  
Joe & Sheila McMullen, Intentions of  
Thanksgiving

**Sunday, August 13 – Nineteenth 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.

+We offer our prayers and congratulations to Paul Tersigni  
& Marina Chiras on the recent celebration of their  
marriage.

**PARISH NEWS**

**11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC**

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> and join us for an  
outdoor Mass and an enjoyable afternoon of fun, entertainment,  
games and good food.

**PARISH SECURITY SYSTEM**

For the safety and well-being of parishioners and as a deterrent  
against theft and vandalism we are currently installing cameras  
inside and outside of the church and in the parish hall. This is  
another sign of the times we live in. We already have a fire  
protection system and the church is alarmed.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: R.C.I.A.**

**R.C.I.A. stands for the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" and its primary purpose is the initiation of un-baptized adults but it is also used for converts who were baptized in other Christian communities and also for baptized but uncatechised Catholics. This Rite is a process for transformation. The formation process extends through several periods and is articulated by various liturgical rites throughout the year. The four periods in the process are as follows:**

**1./ Inquiry by the candidate and evangelization and the pre-catechumenate on the part of the church. It ends with entrance into the order of catechumens.**

**2./ This is the period of catechesis – teaching the truths of the faith.**

**3./ The Lenten preparation for Easter – a time of purification and enlightenment leading up to the Easter Vigil.**

**4./ The whole Easter season and post-baptismal catechesis of "mystagogia". It is a time for deepening the Christian experience, for gaining spiritual fruit and for entering more closely into the life and unity of the community of faith.**

**Basic to this whole process is a theology of the Church as a paschal mystery. R.C.I.A. spells out the various ministries which come into play.**

**What is done with the converts is not simply the priest's problem or responsibility. It is the concern and business of all the baptized. Being a Sponsor or Godparent is far more demanding than placing a hand on the shoulder on the day of baptism. To remodel one's life after Christ is the spirit of R.C.I.A. If you are interested or know someone who might be, invite them or yourself to register at the parish office as the program will begin in September.**

**MISSION CO-OP PLAN**

Thank you for your donation of \$2,930.00 to our Diocesan Mission Co-Op Plan in support of the Vincentian Missionaries of India.

**CONFIRMATION**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish on November 11<sup>th</sup> for grade seven students. Please obtain a copy of your son/daughter's baptismal certificate for their registration in September. Those attending non-Roman Catholic schools please register for our Correspondence Program from the Diocese at the parish office or at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or call Monica at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2238.

**CELEBRATION OF THE FAITH OF GRANDPARENTS**

Join us at the Basilica of Our Lady Guelph Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. The day will begin with Mass at 9:30a.m. followed by light refreshments and two reflections from David Dayler and Anne Jamieson on the importance of our faith lives for our own sake and for the good of generations to come! There is no charge for this event. Please RSVP but walk-ins will be welcome. Register by calling Monica at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or at [mverin@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mverin@hamiltondiocese.com).

**CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in October 2017 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

**OTHER NEWS*****SUNDAY SMILE!***

***Sign on a Plumber's truck: "We repair what your husband fixed."***

**SHRINE OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER**

The Shrine of the Sorrowful Mother at St. Agatha Cemetery Chapel built in 1856 is open for visitors every Sunday in June to September 24<sup>th</sup> from 1-4p.m.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS:**

- Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual John Galt Sunday Kirking 10a.m. at St. James the Apostle Church, 86 Glasgow Street. Guest speaker: Lloyd Longfield, MP. Donation of non-perishable food for local agencies.
- Do you need to update your wardrobe? St. Vincent de Paul of St. Joseph Parish will be selling suits and sports jackets donated by Sidonios. Originally priced from \$400 to \$1000, will sell \$50 for a jacket and \$100 per suit in St. Joseph Church Hall Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 12noon until 3p.m.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights of Columbus Corn Roast at St. Brigid's Villa at Ignatius Jesuit Centre Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-8p.m. Free will offering at the door.
- Homestay Hosts needed for International students at the University of Guelph August 12<sup>th</sup> to September 9<sup>th</sup>. See bulletin boards for details.

**DIOCESAN FAMILY MINISTRY OFFICE**

What supports do families need from the Church? What are the pressures they face in their day to day lives? What are the challenges, joys, highs and lows in families today? Where do they seek support when it is needed? Where do they see the role of the Church in their lives and in helping them cope with everyday life issues and events? The Diocese of Hamilton through the Family Ministry Office wants to hear from you on these topics. You can do this in two ways: 1) **Attend our Symposium** for Families on September 23<sup>rd</sup> beginning with Mass at 9:30a.m. with Bishop Crosby and ending at 4p.m. 2) Fill in the on-line survey posted on the website at <http://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/symposium-on-family>. The more people who engage in both these events the greater the knowledge we will gather. Family matters . help us to discover how the Diocese can help you in the most important role of family. For more information call 1-905-528-7988 and ask for Teresa at ext. 2250 or Wendy at ext. 2241.

**VOCATION SEEDS**

“This is my Son, the Beloved” listen to Him!+ If you are discerning God's call for the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, 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](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).

**STEWARDSHIP:**

***Some benefits of Gratitude are: peace of mind – fulfillment and satisfaction – awareness of all creation – appreciation and growth – generosity.***