



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, January 29 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Harry Perets, Alessandro Brombal

Tuesday, January 30 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Paul Coles, Deceased Members of the Forester Family

Wednesday, January 31 – Feast: St. John Bosco

7:30a.m. – Tom Powers, John Richard Synnott

Thursday, February 1 – Ferial: Weekday

7:00p.m. – Antonio & Rosa Polifroni, Antonio & Gina Angerilli, Anton Semlak

Friday, February 2 – Feast: The Presentation of the Lord

7:30a.m. – Evelyn & Brian Flaherty, David Lattimer, Ken Ryan

Saturday, February 3 – Ferial

5:15p.m. – Intentions of the Denes Family, Intentions of Bernadette Goetz-Timpano, Carlos Landivar, Anna Kurilenko

Sunday, February 4 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$8,922.90 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the families of Robert Grant, Marcie Heffernan & Maria Embro who were called to the glory of eternal life.

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: "PEOPLE CALLED TO PRAISE AND PLEAD"

It is a constant temptation of human nature to want to get a grip on God so that He will have to do our will. We are tempted to seek rites, formulas, timetables and methods of controlling God, of bending Him to become our servant instead of Our Lord and Master. The prophets, the Lord Jesus and His Apostles condemned this tendency, but it is always among us. Even in these days of renewal and improved liturgy, we can be tempted to look for the solutions to our worship problems in the right manual, technique or method of prayer. We hear that participation in the liturgy is the primary and indispensable source of the true spirit of Christ. In the Constitution of the Liturgy #49 it says we must not think that this is an easy answer. Participation means sharing fully with Christ in His dying to sin and His living a new life with God. It means a constant struggle, accepting our daily cross, our efforts to pray, so that we might live and serve God and others. It means our openness to God's grace, to His work in us, to His love. God has chosen us to save the world by the obedient death and rising of His Son and His mercy calls us to share in the work of His Son.

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LIGHT CHAIN

All are invited to gather for prayer and witness in front of Guelph City Hall to raise awareness of the impact of abortion in Canada. Please take an hour on Sunday, January 28th from 7-8p.m. to participate and witness to the value of every human life. For more information contact Guelph & Area Right To Life at 519-836-6311.

HEALING AFTER ABORTION

Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. Project Rachel offers a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope

and healing. Please contact us at 1-905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850 and let us help you through the healing process.

LETTERS ON THE SPIRITUAL LIFE OF HENRI NOUWEN

Join us for this rendition of Henri Nouwen's letters and an introduction to the author and pastor by archivist Gabrielle Earnshaw on February 3rd at 7:30p.m. at Holy Rosary Church. Free will offering.

TRINITY UNITED CHURCH

Trinity United Church on Stevenson Street is looking for a custodian for up to 35 hours per week. These hours include night checks. If interested email info@trinityunitedguelph.ca after a 3 month probationary period, benefits and pension are available. Police checks required.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE

The St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store has an opening for a Full Time Senior Clerk. Interested applicants should send their resume, in a sealed envelope, to the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store located at 74 Elizabeth Street, Guelph, ON, N1E 2X2.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Theology on Tap event on Tuesday, February 13th from 6:30-9:00p.m. at the Albion Hotel. Guelph residents Luciano and Rosetta Del Monte will be speaking on the topic of "Going the Distance in Marriage" on the eve of Valentine's Day. House of Good Cheer will be playing and food will be provided. A special invite goes out to young adults between the ages of 19 and 40.

SEEING THE WORD SESSION

On February 1st from 1:30 to 3:30p.m. the Diocesan Liturgy Office will host a "Seeing the Word" session for those who may be interested in delving a little deeper into God's Word through the illuminations of the St. John's Bible. We will focus on a particular illumination through Visio Divina. We will have one session a month until June with a new theme every month. If interested contact Anthony De Feo at adefo@hamiltiondiocese.com to register. All are welcome.

RIGHT TO LIFE FUND-RAISING DINNER

On Thursday, February 8th at 6:30p.m. at the Mandarin Restaurant Guelph. This evening will feature updates about their pro-life work, a complimentary dinner and opportunities to donate. Please RSVP by January 31st at 519-836-6311.

GUELPH SPIRITAN GROUP

A Mass with prayers for healing will be held on Wednesday, January 31st at 8p.m. in Sacred Heart Church with Fr. Eric Jensen SJ.

VOCATION VIEW:

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider the priesthood, religious life or permanent diaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation call Father Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email: vocations@hamiltiondiocese.com.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Watoto Children's Choir will perform a free concert at St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic School, 251 Colonial Drive, Tuesday, February 6th at 7p.m. Free will donation. This choir has toured six continents and offers hope for Africa's orphans and widows.
- "United in Music, United in Joy" The University of Guelph Symphonic Choir & Voices of Joy Community Choir Saturday, February 3rd at 7p.m. in Harcourt United Church, 87 Dean Avenue. Tickets \$10 at the door. Children under 10 accompanied by and adult . free. For tickets call 519-824-4120 ext. 52991.