

Monday, July 2 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – Ken, Rita, Ted & Paul Leader, George Taschian, Mary Devine

Tuesday, July 3 – Feast: St. Thomas 7:30a.m. - Nancy, M. Carmela & Dominic Cosentino, Intentions of Jo-Anne & Tim Bridle

Wednesday, July 4 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – George, Maureen & Matthew Goetz, Steven DeDecker

Thursday, July 5 – Ferial: Weekday

7:00p.m. – Rita & Frank Kocher, Lucia Zanarini, Muriel Lavigne

Friday, July 6 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Frances & Maurice Zadro, Intentions of Michael, Sarah & Kathryn Werden

Saturday, July 7 – Ferial

5:15p.m. – Anton Semlak, Alessandro Brombal, Angelo Dal Bello, Brian Flaherty

Sunday, July 8 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$8,323.75 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

Thank you for your offering of \$1,961.00 to the Pope's Pastoral Collection.

+We offer our prayers and congratulations to Vivek Trindade and John Schnurr who will be ordained to the transitional Diaconate this week in preparation for the priesthood next year. FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: HAPPY CANADA DAY!

July 1st is celebrated as Canada's birthday. We are an important part of the family of nations and therefore we should seek a responsible world view rather than a narrow nationalism. Canadians should seek to be witnesses to Christ in Canada and the world, and to continue working to influence those in government to act from Christian principles and attitudes as we strive for justice and peace throughout the world so that all God's people may share in the goods of this earth. God's kingdom will come only when all people are ready to let Christ's teaching guide and rule their lives and actions.

PARISH NEWS

CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish on Saturday, October 27th for our grade seven students. If your child does not attend a Catholic School and wishes to be Confirmed this year then please contact the parish office as soon as possible so that the proper preparation may take place. All those confirmed must provide a Baptismal Certificate.

CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our prayers and congratulations to all our students who graduated from University, College, Secondary and Elementary schools this year and thank all who provide a solid Catholic education for our young people. May all enjoy their summer vacation and be safe.

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Programs are available for children Kindergarten through High School for those not currently receiving religious instruction. Children in non-Roman Catholic Schools preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation must register and complete the programs at home that will be offered to you. Please contact Monica at the Catechesis Office at 1-905-528-7988 register ext. 2238 or on-line at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on Catechesis Office.

CWL BAKE SALE

Please join us next weekend after the 9a.m. and 11a.m. Masses for our summer bake sale. Enjoy some sweet treats and help support the charitable endeavours of our Catholic Womence League.

<u>RCIA</u>

Anyone interested in learning about the Catholic Faith is invited to sign up for our RCIA program which begins in September until Easter. Contact the parish office for an application form.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BARBECUE

Join us next Sunday after the 11a.m. Mass for a barbecue and time to socialize.

OTHER NEWS PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINES OF QUEBEC

Monday, August 6th to Friday, August 10th. Single price \$795. Doubles \$725 and triples \$695. Full payment due June 29th. For more information and/ or reservations contact Angie Hunt 519-766-5262 or Rose Gunn at 519-744-5923.

DIOCESAN PLANNING STUDY UPDATE

The Diocese-wide planning study is off to a great start . thanks to all those who have participated! However we also want to hear from YOU! If you have not filled out a survey and want to share your thoughts, visit hamiltondiocese.com/ campaign to learn more about the proposed campaign goals, complete the survey and provide your comments. The online survey closes on Monday, July 9th . please dond delay in sharing your thoughts about our plans to help your Parish and our Diocese to grow and thrive. Thank you!

WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO MARTYRS SHRINE

Join in the annual Walking Pilgrimage from Ignatius Centre to Martyrs Shrine August 4th to the 11th. Brochures and registration forms are available on the Information Desk.

VOCATION VIEW:

Jesus healed Jairusqdaughter by saying ‰alitha Cum+ which means ‰ittle girl, get up!+Has the Lord called you to get up and walk? Perhaps Jesus wants you to help others get up and walk. If you feel God is calling you to the priesthood, religious life or the diaconate contact Father Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

FAMILY LIFE

Do you have ideas on how to support families in our Diocese? We want to hear from you. The family is the community in which, from childhood, one can learn moral values, begin to honour God and make good use of freedom. Family life is an initiation of life in society. Home is the setting where an individualor physical, mental, emotional and spiritual growth is supported. Like a garden, a home must be tended, appreciated, nurtured and respected in order to thrive. Families today need more support than ever as they raise the future generation. Are you willing to add your voice at our gathering this fall to discover ways we can help families. If yes, call Lena at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249 email: or familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE DAYS

The second Pilgrimage Day in honour of Our Lady of Fatima will be held Saturday, July 7th. Breakfast for women and girls at 8a.m. Each day begins with Mass at 10a.m. followed by a Rosary Procession, Stations of the Cross and Benediction. Confessions are available. Bring your own lunch. Join us at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, 715 Centre Road Waterdown.

NOVENA TO SAINT ANN

The annual Novena to St. Ann will be held Wednesday, July 18th at 7p.m. to Thursday, July 26th at St. Ann**¢** Church, 120 Sherman Avenue North Hamilton. There will be Mass and Novena Prayers each evening and the Anointing of the Sick on Friday, July 20th at 7p.m. Confessions will be heard each evening. The concluding Mass on July 26th will be celebrated by Bishop Crosby.

A PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO LIVE ALONE

I live alone dear Lord. Stay by my side in all my daily needs, be Thou my guide. Grant me good health, for that indeed I pray, to carry on my work from day to day. Keep pure my mind, my thoughts, my every deed. Let me be kind, unselfish in my neighbour¢ need. Spare me from fire, flood, malicious tongues, from thieves, from fear and evil ones. If sickness or an accident befalls, then humbly Lord I pray, hear Thou my call. When I am feeling low or in despair, lift up my heart and help me in my prayers. I live alone dear Lord, yet have no fear, because I feel Your presence ever near.

MOVIE NIGHT AT THE BOOKSHELF

A film entitled % Rope Francis . A Man of His Word+ is showing at the Bookshelf: Monday, July 2nd at 8p.m.; Tuesday at 6p.m.; Wednesday 2p.m. & 6p.m. and Thursday at 6p.m.