



**Monday, July 16 – Ferial: Weekday**

**7:30a.m.** – Maria Carmela Alpe, Intentions of Bernie & Pam Phillips

**Tuesday, July 17 – Ferial: Weekday**

**7:30a.m.** – Evelyn Krusky, Intentions of Debbie & Logan Gibson & Deceased Members of the Gibson Family

**Wednesday, July 18 – Ferial: Weekday**

**7:30a.m.** – All Souls, Primo Baggio

**Thursday, July 19 – Ferial: Weekday**

**7:00p.m.** – Derek Cooper, Lucila Constantino, Antonio Di GiroLamo

**Friday, July 20 – Ferial: Weekday**

**7:30a.m.** – Patricia Collins, Stella Cardow

**Saturday, July 21 – Ferial**

**5:15p.m.** – Thomas McKenna, Allan Lott, Carl Gladysz, Intentions of the Mallory Family

**Sunday, July 22 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

**Stewardship of Treasure:**

Thank you for your gift of \$10,525.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

+We offer our prayers and congratulations to Dylan Gordon and Shannon Tersigni on the recent celebration of their marriage.

## PARISH NEWS

### THANK YOU

A few weeks ago we had a special collection to support summer programs that lost funding by the Federal Government due to their demand that grants be given to those who recognize all forms of reproductive rights. We thank you for your gift of \$4,183.00 which will assist young adults in being able to work free of these unreasonable demands.

### **FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: SIN AND REPENTANCE**

*Since we are inclined to sin, it is often not easy to do the good. Sin is a thought, word or action that offends against God's love. In sinning against God, we wound our human dignity and weaken both the church and the wider community. By His suffering and death, Jesus revealed the seriousness of sin while overcoming it by His merciful love. We accept the mercy of God when, in the light of God's truth and love, we admit our sins and allow His love to heal us. Sin can be directly against God, one's neighbour or oneself. These are sins of thought, word or deed as well as sins of omission. The distinction between mortal and venial sins is very important. Mortal sins involve grave matter, full knowledge and full consent of the will. They deprive us of sanctifying grace. If we fail to repent of them, we risk losing eternal life. Baptism and the sacrament of Penance are the ordinary ways they are forgiven. Venial sins weaken our relationship with God and others. They impede us from progress in virtue and in the spiritual life. We should seek forgiveness of venial sins in the sacrament of Penance and mortify ourselves as to be purified from the effects of all the sins we have committed. Sin can take hold of us when it is repeated. Habitual sins are called vices. These cloud the conscience and incline us toward evil. The main vices correspond to the capital sins of pride, avarice, envy, anger, lust, gluttony and sloth. We must also be on guard not to cooperate with the sins of others. Finally it is important to recognize that human sinfulness has given rise to social structures that are contrary to God's truth and love.*

### WELCOME

We welcome into our Catholic Faith Family through Water and the Holy Spirit in Baptism: Eleanor Grace Beech; Austin Brent Cazzola; Aria Tara Crawford; Olive Ann Genore; Cecilia Rose Hattle; Hannah Loik; Adeline Alessandra Montin; Andrew Ivor Taylor and Henry Guy Thebaud. We congratulate their families.

**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 ext. 2238 or register on-line at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on Catechesis Office.

**CONFIRMATION**

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION**

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith?

- are you un-baptized but recognize a need for spirituality on your life?
- are you a baptized Catholic or baptized into another religion but never received any formal religious education?
- are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass but just do not know what the next step is to become one of the Catholic faithful?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A.). is the place for you. Every year adults are welcomed into the R.C.I.A. For more information please register at the Parish Office.

**OTHER NEWS****PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINES OF QUEBEC**

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

**VOCATION VIEW:**

In today's first reading Amos says he did not choose to be a prophet, God selected him. Maybe God is asking you to consider what you are doing at this time and perhaps begin the special work He has for you. If you feel God may be selecting you for the special life of a priest, religious or deacon call Father Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

**WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO MARTYRS SHRINE**

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

**DIOCESAN LIBRARY**

The Diocesan Library provides audio-visual and printed materials to assist our Catholic community in its faith journey. All are welcome to benefit from our resources. The Library is located on the property of the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W. Hamilton and is open Monday to Friday from 1p.m. to 4:30p.m. If you are unable to access the library during our hours please contact the Librarian Dominy Williams at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2252 or by email [dwilliams@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:dwilliams@hamiltondiocese.com) to make other arrangements. Materials may be mailed to those unable to come to the library in person. For a listing of the library's holdings visit the online catalogue at <http://hamiltondiocese.com/libraryservices>.

**NOVENA TO SAINT ANN**

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

**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 individual's 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 or email: [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

***SUNDAY OF SMILE!***

*A notice in the foyer of a Niagara Falls hotel read: "Why not spend a second honeymoon here next year? Twenty percent discount if with the same wife."*