



**Monday, October 1** – Feast: St. Therese of The Child Jesus  
7:30a.m. – Anton Semlak, Gloria Gandour, Joseph, Amelia & Albert Spinelli

**Tuesday, October 2** – Feast: The Holy Guardian Angels  
7:30a.m. ó Henry Hogan, Betty Weiler, Intentions of Robert Munsch & Family

**Wednesday, October 3** – Ferial: Weekday  
7:30a.m. ó Intentions of Dustin Duthie, Intentions of Anna Ceccato, Intentions of Tiziana Ceccato & Joe Paleczny

**Thursday, October 4** – Feast: St. Francis of Assisi  
7:00p.m. – Philip Halliburton, Paul Cavallin, Lou Mulhall

**Friday, October 5** – Ferial - Weekday  
7:30a.m. – Alan Pennylegion, Shawn Boschuck, Intentions of Peggy Moore

**Saturday, October 6** – Ferial  
5:15p.m. – Deceased Members of the Seifred Family, Aaron Racelis, Phero Do Danh Vong

**Sunday, October 7** – Twenty-Seventh 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 Adam Di Pede and Stephanie Cabral on the recent celebration of their marriage.*

*+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family of Neville Daniels and James Howlett who were called to eternal life. May they rest in peace.*

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES**

Programs are available for children Kindergarten through High School who are not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for Communion and Confirmation for those not in Catholic Schools is required and families work through these programs at home. Contact Monica Verin at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or visit [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or click on Catechesis Office for more information and registration.

### ***FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: VIRTUE – DOING THE GOOD***

*A well-formed conscience is strengthened by virtue. The Compendium of the catechism of the Catholic Church defines virtue as “a habitual and firm disposition to do the good” (#377). We are shaped by the decisions we make and when we habitually choose what is good, we grow in the likeness of God. The Church distinguishes two types of virtue - human and theological. Human virtues strengthen us to control our desires and to guide our conduct according to reason and faith. We acquire them by repeatedly doing what is good. God’s grace purifies and elevates human virtues. They are grouped under the four cardinal virtues on which the entire moral life is hinged. These include “Prudence” which strengthens our reason so that we may discern not only the good to be done in a particular situation but also the best way to do it. “Justice” strengthens the will so that we will give to others and to God what is their due. “Fortitude” makes us firm in choosing the good, even when it is difficult or costly to do so. “Temperance” helps us to achieve self-mastery over our desires for pleasure and the use of this world’s goods. The theological virtues – Faith, Hope and Charity are from God and direct us to God. Unlike human virtues they are not acquired by practice but are infused in us through the Holy Spirit. These grow through prayer and through the Church’s sacramental life. They strengthen our relationship with the Trinity and help us to follow Christ by living the laws of love.*

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

We are recruiting new Altar Servers for all Masses. Students in grade four and above are eligible to serve. A date for a training session will be announced soon. If interested please contact Gary or Laurie at [hartfisch6@gmail.com](mailto:hartfisch6@gmail.com) or call 519-766-9941.

### **GUELPH MEN'S PRAYER GROUP**

Bishop Ustrzycki will be conducting a series of discussions on the Sacrament of the Eucharist. The program runs for one hour in our Church Hall starting October 13<sup>th</sup> from 7a.m. to 8a.m. and will conclude on November 24<sup>th</sup>. Brochures may be found on the Information Desk.

**FATAL FLAWS**

Legalizing Assisted Death. Should medical professionals have the legal right to end human lives? How do these laws affect society over time? Join us on Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 11:30a.m. to 2:30p.m. in our Parish Hall for a viewing of a movie called Fatal Flaws produced by Kevin Dunn. Tickets are \$10 including brunch. Sponsored by Guelph & Area Right to Life and the Catholic Women's League of the Basilica.

**ANNUAL BISHOP'S COLLECTION FOR THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH**

Every year the Bishops of Canada seek our financial support to assist them in their work in national and international areas of pastoral activity, including social justice, ecumenical and interfaith relations, collaboration with the Indigenous peoples, life and family issues, liturgy, catechesis, doctrine and relations with Catholic associations and movements. This collection will be taken up this weekend and they are grateful for your financial support.

**OTHER NEWS****VOCATION VIEW:**

Today's readings speak of the gifts of prophesy and casting out demons. If you feel that God is calling you with the gift to be a priest, religious or permanent deacon call Father Michael King, Vocation Director of the Diocese of Hamilton at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2246.

**BISHOP'S DINNER FOR COMMUNITY NEEDS**

The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Bishop's Dinner for Community Needs will be held at the Italian Canadian Club October 4<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:45p.m. For tickets contact the Wellington Catholic District School Board at 519-821-4600.

**ANNUAL LIFE CHAIN**

Join us Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 1-2p.m. for a time of pro-life prayer and witness at the intersection of Speedvale Avenue and Woolwich Street.

**MEMORIAL FOR THE UNBORN**

Join us Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 1p.m. for our annual Memorial for the Unborn at the Garden of Grace at the Basilica of Our Lady with Bishop Emeritus Matthew Ustrzycki.

**STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?**

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on October 12<sup>th</sup> call 1-905-664-5212 or email [hamiltonretrouvaille@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille@cogeco.ca) or visit the website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

**SUNDAY SMILE!**

*On the first day of school a kindergarten child handed his teacher a note from his mother. The note read, "The opinions expressed by this child are not necessarily those of his parents."*

**WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY**

The Family Ministry Office will host a day of learning intended to assist people in offering needed support on October 10<sup>th</sup>. For more information contact their office at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

**FAITH BEGINS IN THE FAMILY**

Bring your news and views to a gathering on October 20<sup>th</sup> sponsored by our Family Ministry Office. All are invited to provide input, practical advice on how we can create strong family ministry and how we can help parents and children thrive and grow in their faith, connect to the church community and invigorate parish life. Contact our Family Ministry Office at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249 for more information.

**MEDITATION ON THE ROSARY**

On Sunday, October 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:30p.m. you are invited to Sacred Heart Church to celebrate our faith's oldest and time honoured tradition. Our Blessed Mother gave the Rosary to St. Dominic in the 13<sup>th</sup> century.

**PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL & ROME**

Join Father Wayne Lobsinger for a two week pilgrimage as he celebrates his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination. We will visit the major sites in the life and ministry of Jesus in the Holy Land and then two nights in Assisi and two nights in Rome and will attend a Papal Audience. Email Claire Waxman at [clairwaxmantravel@gmail.com](mailto:clairwaxmantravel@gmail.com) or come to an information session at St. Thomas Parish, 715 Centre Rd., Waterdown on Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at 2p.m.

SUNDAY (do not change anything here, we'll put a correct header each week)

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