

Monday, January 21 – Feast: St. Agnes 7:30a.m. – Aline DuQuesnay Russel, Yvon Gagne, Deceased Members of the Semlak Family

Tuesday, January 22 – Ferial: Weekday 7**:30a.m.** – Klaus Wand, Jenna Gazzola

Wednesday, January 23 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – Charles Stewart, Deborah Price

Thursday, January 24 – Feast: St. Francis de Sales 7:00p.m. – Ron Mitchell, David Murray Hill, Florence Agu

Friday, January 25 – Feast: The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle 7:30a.m. – Peter Lennie, Intentions of Marie Chuso

Saturday, January 26 – Feast: St. Timothy & St. Titus 5:15p.m. – Harold Gregory, Kurian George, Monsignor Newstead, Mary Reid

Sunday, January 27 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$9,773.27 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family of Dr. Romolo Carere who was called to eternal life. May he rest in the peace of God.

PARISH NEWS

PARISH PASTA DINNER

Please join us Sunday, February 10th for the Annual Parish Pasta Dinner catered by Nick Finoro. Menu includes: pasta with meat sauce, meatballs, sausages, salad, buns, dessert, coffee/tea/water. Red/white wine and pop available for purchase. Adults \$18; Children under 10 \$12; Children under 4 are free. Gluten-free option available. Tickets will be on sale following the weekend Masses beginning January 19th/ 20th and will also be available at the Parish Office during the week.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: CHRISTIAN UNITY

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18th to 25th, the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul. This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to pray that all may be one as Christ desires. All Christian communities should seek to have a deeper understanding of ecumenism, as the *importance of unity among Christians is* the responsibility of all baptized. It is our common yearning for peace that will help draw us into closer communion with one another. Reconciliation among the churches will draw us on the path to integrity peace, it gives to the proclamation of peace.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

- The Catholic Womence League thanks the Parish Community for your overwhelming generosity in contributing 285 pairs of socks, 79 jars of peanut butter, 55 boxes of crackers and the personal hygiene items for the Blessing Bags+for the homeless in our community. A special thank you to our St. Vincent de Paul for their generous monetary donation toward the purchase of socks. All of these items were delivered to the Drop-In Centre. Also, thank you for your donations to Michael House. May God Bless you for helping those in need!

- The Catholic Women¢ League of the Basilica welcome all women of the parish to a presentation on the New National CWL Strategic Plan that will be implemented over the next four years. Shari Guinta, First National Vice-President has agreed to come and explain why the changes were made, how we fit into it and how the national council believe it will help develop a more energetic and vibrant organization. If you do not know anything about the league, here is an opportunity to learn and if you wish to know more as a current member this day is for you. Please join us from 10a.m.-12:30p.m. Saturday, January 26th, 2019 in the Basilica hall for an informative and educational presentation. Refreshments will be provided on arrival and we hope to see you there!

PARISH ASSISTANCE

Prior to knowing Father Chris would be leaving us I had made arrangements to be away for a couple of weeks. I am very grateful to the Jesuit Fathers who have agreed to celebrate the Masses in my absence. Thank you to: Father Bernie Carroll; Father Roger Yaworski; Father Greg Kennedy and Father Vernon Boyd. I also thank Father Mulhall and Monsignor Murray Kroetsch who will be here Jan. 26th and 27th.

OTHER NEWS

JUNIOR & SENIOR KINDERGARTEN AT WELLINGTON CATHOLIC

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten beginning January 7th. To attend JK one must be four years of age on or before December 31st, 2019 and for SK one must be five years of age on or before December 31st, 2019. Please bring . childqs birth certificate; a parent or childqs baptismal certificate; childqs health card/ immunization record/ custody papers (if applicable); proof of tax support for families new to the system (ie most recent tax bill). Students currently in JK program in Wellington Catholic are NOT REQUIRED to register for SK. Any questions please call your school.

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS SHARE COMMON SKILLS

Come and learn more! ‰eys to Loving Relationships+is a ten week video-based program that all people (married, dating or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better ‰e+in all your relationships. The program is offered in Kitchener at St. Markœ Parish, 55 Driftwood Drive (519-571-9200) Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9p.m. January 22nd to March 26th. The cost is \$45. For more information or to register call the Family Ministry Office at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or register at <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com</u>.

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe March 28th to April 2nd with Father Luke Kopaniak S.A.C., pastor of St. Marys Brantford. For more information please contact <u>www.pilgrimdeaconrandy.com</u> or email: <u>randalmatters@gmail.com</u>.

MINI-BUS FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Guelph & Area Right to Life is gathering change to support pro-life advertisements on the back of some city buses providing educational information about abortion, euthanasia and local crisis pregnancy support. There is a ⁹/₈ ini-bus+ to fill with change in a past week bulletin. Buses can be returned to the church by the end of January. Thank you for your support.

VOCATION NEWS

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider the priesthood, or religious consecrated life? If you think God is calling you to be a priest contact Father Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 1-905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

A TIME OF REMEMBRANCE AND PRAYER

Over 4 million abortions have taken place in Canada since it was legalized in 1969 and in 1988 the Supreme Court struck down the abortion law. Join us Guelph & Area Right to Life on Monday, January 28th from 7-8p.m. on the sidewalk in front of Guelph City Hall.

BIBLE SUNDAY

Weistening to Godos Word at Mass+ is the topic of a presentation by Father Michael Patella O.S.B. on Sunday, February 3rd at 2:00p.m. at St. Michaelos Church Waterloo and at 7p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King Hamilton.

JUST A THOUGHT!

A four year old child's next door neighbour was an elderly gentleman who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man the little boy went over and climbed on his lap and sat there. When his mother asked him what he said to his neighbour, the little boy replied, "Nothing, I just helped him cry."

LATIN AMERICA PROJECT

One by One, a Guelph based non-profit organization, invites the parishioners of the Basilica of Our Lady Parish to join us in The Latin America Project+this summer (July 6th-15th). The project supports the efforts of the people of struggling Mayan communities to improve their communities through the completion of specific work projects as identified by community leaders. In addition, visits to local Mayan cultural sites are intended to assist all in coming to a more inclusive understanding of the Mayan people and their continuing struggles. The %all in+cost for the mission is \$2600 per person. To obtain more information and/or to register contact Peter Ingram, Project Coordinator at peter.ingram@onebyonecanada.ca or Ted Laxton, Project Leader at ted.laxton@onebyonecanada.ca. To view our current projects please visit our website:www.onebyonecanada.ca.

SEEKING THE SACRED

A new afternoon program for seniors starting Tuesday, January 29th at the Chancery Office. This program follows the book % the Soulos Slow Ripening: 12 Celtic Practices for Seeking the Sacred" by Christine Valters Painter. Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND will lead you through 12 practices intended to give practical ways to deepen our relationship with God. Each chapter includes guided spiritual activities such as Lectio Divina, photography, walking, writing and more. The cost for this seven session program is \$35 and includes the book. Please register by Jan. 25th at mervin@hamiltondiocese.com or phone 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2238.

DOES GOD STILL LOVE US IN 2019?

This is a four part series given by Father Bernie Carroll SJ on % The Love Of God For This World And All Who Live In It+at Holy Rosary Parish Wednesday evenings Jan. 16th, 23rd, 30th and Feb. 6th from 7-8:30p.m. Each talk will be followed by discussion and questions.