

Monday, January 28 – Feast: St. Thomas Aquinas 7:30a.m. – Frank & Rita Kocher, Debbie Forester

Tuesday, January 29 – Ferial: Weekday **7:30a.m.** – Barbara Wysocki, Wallace Anderson

Wednesday, January 30 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – Intentions of Bradley Huck, Intentions of Ethan Hayes & Family

Thursday, January 31 – Feast: St. John Bosco 7:00p.m. – Antonio & Gina Angerilli, Antonio & Rosa Polifroni, Anthony Pynenburg

Friday, February 1 – Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. – Evelyn Flaherty, Santhosh George, Anton
Semlak

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

5:15p.m. – Donnie Forester, Shelley Tighe, Allan Lott, Gene McBride

Sunday, February 3 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$6,741.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

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: THE GIFT OF OUR TREASURE

"Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." These words of St. Paul to the Corinthians remind us that our giving ought to be planned and determined in a prayerful way. Stewardship is based on the spiritual principles of the Old Testament and the teachings of Jesus. Those who have adopted Stewardship have had their lives changed. We know that Stewardship is a way of life. It is a way of thanking God for all the blessings by our returning a portion of the time, talent and treasure given to us. Stewardship deepens our relationship with the Lord and brings us a sense of peace and joy. Jesus promises us that by practicing Stewardship we will grow spiritually. There are many references in the Bible to Stewardship.

In one of those Jesus tells us, "You can be sure that whoever gives even a drink of cold water to one of the least of my followers, will certainly receive a reward" (Mt. 10:37-42). That reward also involves a growing trust in God's diving will. Symbolically we give a drink of cold water when we make our time and talents and our treasure available to our parish and to our community. Every parishioner is called to give a drink of cold water by supporting the parish as it brings Christ's healing touch to our faith community and to those it serves. Our parish family is blessed with many different members, each of whom has special talents and abilities that can benefit our parish. May we all grow spiritually because of giving our Stewardship gifts.

2018 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2018 Income Tax Receipts will be ready for pick up behind the altar in the alcove the weekend of February 2nd/February 3rd, 2019.

WELCOME

We welcome into our Catholic faith family through Water and the Holy Spirit in Baptism: Mila Rachel Di Fonzo, Luke Roger Pritchard, Emily Anne Seagram & Felix Andrew Smith.

ANNUAL SEMINARY EDUCATION COLLECTION

The annual collection to support the education of seminarians for our Diocese will be held the weekend of February 2nd/ February 3rd, 2019. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

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.

MINI-BUS FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

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

VOCATION NEWS

You are the body of Christ, every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? 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.

RIGHT TO LIFE FUNDRAISING DINNER

Guelph & Area Right to Life invites you to their Annual Fundraising Dinner at the Mandarin Restaurant in Guelph! The evening will feature exciting updates about their pro-life work, a complimentary dinner and opportunities to donate. Dong miss it! RSVP by January 31st by contacting the Right to Life office.

BIBLE SUNDAY

Maistening 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!

Why is a car's windshield so large and the rear view mirror so small? Because our past is not as important as our future. So look ahead and move on!

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 Coordinator Project 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.

16th ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF PRIESTHOOD & CONSECRATED LIFE DINNER

The Celebration of Priesthood & Consecrated Life Dinner sponsored by the Serra Club of Hamilton will be held on Tuesday, April 30th, 2019 at Liuna Station Hamilton. For details contact Margaret Carreiro at 1-905-628-5682 or www.celebrationprl.wixsite.com/dinner.

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 March 15th, 2019 call 1-905-664-5212 or email hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or visit the website www.retrouvaille.org.

MARYHILL VALENTINE'S DINNER

Valentine Rolled Rib & Ham Dinner Saturday, February 9th. sittings 5p.m. & 7p.m. at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre, 58 St. Charles St. E., Maryhill. Adults \$20 per person, kids under 5 free, 5 to 11 \$12, over 11 full adult cost of \$20. This is a two meat dinner with mashed potatoes, coleslaw, mixed vegetables, buns, pickles, relish tray, dessert, coffee and tea. Call Mike Runstedler at 519-580-5005, Tim Vegh at 519-648-3952 or Jackie Peacock at 519-823-5194 for tickets. Sponsored by the Maryhill Knights of Columbus and the St. Boniface Catholic Womence League.

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 www.pilgrimdeaconrandy.com or email: randalmatters@gmail.com.

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