



Monday, February 4 – Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. – Clayton Scherer, Gavin Smith

Tuesday, February 5 – Feast: St. Agatha
7:30a.m. – Robert Holliday, Michael Schmitt

Wednesday, February 6 – Feast: St. Paul Miki and Companions
7:30a.m. – Intentions of Susan D'Costa, Mary Boinski

Thursday, February 7 – Ferial: Weekday
7:00p.m. – Gloria Gandour, Ione Smith,
Intentions of Fernanda Pigozzo

Friday, February 8 – Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. – Betty Weiler, Agnes Gladysz

Saturday, February 9 – Ferial
5:15p.m. – Intentions of Theresa Heeley,
Intentions of Meri

Sunday, February 10 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$6,883.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family of Dorothy Barrett who was called to eternal life. May she rest in the peace of God.

PARISH NEWS

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND EUCHARIST

A parent information meeting will be held this Wednesday at 7p.m. in our Church Hall for the parents of our grade two children who will be celebrating their First Reconciliation and Eucharist this year.

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: CONSECRATED LIFE

Catholics throughout the world are invited to give thanks for those men and women who live their baptismal commitment by professing the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience. We pray for those who have dedicated their lives to God through these vows, especially those who are living and serving within our Diocese of Hamilton. We also pray for the many men and women from our Diocese who are currently in formation with various religious communities. For vocational information see our Diocesan Vocation website www.vocationinfo.ca. What is Jesus saying about Vocations?

** I have called you friends. You did not choose me but I chose you and I appointed you to go and bear fruit (John 15:15-16).*

** The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few, therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into His harvest (Matthew 9:37).*

** If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow Me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose life for my sake will find it (Matthew 16:24-25).*

** Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch (Luke 5:4).*

2018 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2018 Income Tax Receipts are ready for pick up this weekend behind the altar in the alcove.

OTHER NEWS

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap will be hosting their fourth event of the season, on Tuesday, February 12th from 7-9p.m. upstairs at the Albion Hotel. Richard Olson, Superintendent of Learning for the Waterloo Catholic District School Board, will be speaking on the topic "Am I Good Enough?". Mentoring Young People in the Promise of the Gospel. Finger food will be provided. A special invite goes out to young adults between the ages of 19 and 40.

A TASTE OF DIVERSITY

Three dinners from around the world; March 5th, May 22nd & November 13th at Loyola House, Ignatius Jesuit Centre. \$60 each dinner or \$150 for all three! Space is limited. For tickets call 519-824-1250 ext. 241 or email officecoordinator@ignatiusquelp.ca. Dinner themes include Shrove Tuesday with a Ukrainian flair, A Taste of Italy and English cuisine.

COME RETREAT AT LOYOLA HOUSE

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? See our website at loyolahouse.com for more information on upcoming retreats & programs. Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact registration@ignatiusguelph.ca or by calling 519-824-1250 ext. 266.

VOCATION NEWS

No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering religious consecrated life or priesthood. 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.

BIBLE SUNDAY

Listening to God's 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. Michael's Church Waterloo and at 7p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King Hamilton.

JUST A THOUGHT!

A generation ago most men who finished a day's work needed rest, now they need exercise.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

The annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Sunday, June 9th at 1:30p.m. This Mass is for couples celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ years of marriage in 2019. Please see the poster on the south front bulletin board to register.

MARY, IMAGE OF DISCIPLESHIP

Anne Jamieson, Director of Catechesis for the Diocese of Hamilton, will speak at the Basilica of Our Lady on March 10th at 1:00p.m. Join us as we consider the images of Mary in art and what these contribute to our understanding of discipleship. We will consider the scenes depicted in the beautiful stained glass windows of the Basilica of Our Lady as a point of departure for our own Lenten journey. Refreshments will follow in the Church Hall. Hope to see you there!

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.

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 Women's 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. Mary's Brantford. For more information please contact www.pilgrimdeaconrandy.com or email: randalmatters@gmail.com.

27th ANNUAL LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto March 2, 2019 9:30a.m.-5:00p.m. Join the Catholic Renewal Ministry with keynote speakers Father Mark Goring, Ralph Martin and Sister Ann Shields, SGL. Closing Mass celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins. Tickets are \$25 and bus tickets are \$17. For tickets and bus transportation please call Ana Percic at 519-824-8456.



The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Answers to a set of Frequently Asked Questions have been appearing in parish bulletins regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at oneheartonesoul.ca.

Are parishes in a position to take on needed projects?

This, of course, varies from Parish to Parish, but in general most Parishes are not in a strong position to take on major projects (those of \$250,000 or more) and many projects have been delayed because of a lack of funding. One of the main reasons for the diocesan capital campaign is to assist Parishes big and small to gain more solid footing for the future. Whether that's by completing an overdue project, retiring debt, building a contingency fund or looking ahead with a new ministry or new staff.

What about Parish debt and Parish reserves – in general, where do things stand?

The majority of the Diocese's Parishes can meet their operating budget and can take on small capital projects. Only a few, however, have substantial savings. Some have incurred debt, and the Diocese assists where it can with donations and loans, some of which are interest-free, to Parishes.

Will the Parishes or the Diocese take on debt because of this campaign?

It's possible for the right project and the right reasons, but that is to be determined by the Diocese and Parishes as the campaign planning moves forward.

What is the Ex Corde Foundation and how does it work?

The Ex Corde Foundation was established in 2011 with a gift of \$21.5 million from the Diocese of Hamilton and provides financial assistance to Parishes and other Catholic charities within the Diocese and across Canada. Ex Corde, which means 'from the Heart', is operated by a board of directors and provides grants to repair or renovate buildings; to provide and maintain religious artifacts and works of art; and to support religious education and catechesis. As of September 2018, the foundation had donated \$5.1 million, 90 per cent of which has gone to parishes or other Catholic organizations within the Diocese. The grant amounts vary widely but commonly have been in the range of \$15,000 to \$25,000. The remaining 10 percent has gone to Catholic Parishes, dioceses or other organizations from outside the Diocese of Hamilton. The foundation board selects recipients twice a year from grant applications. For a list of all the grants awarded, see the link on the Ex Corde website, www.excordefoundation.com.

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

Retrouaille 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 hamiltonretrouaille1@cogeco.ca or visit the website www.retrouaille.org.

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