

Monday, March 18 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – Intentions of Anne Ina Mitchell, Gail Guidolin, Phyllis Guidolin

Tuesday, March 19 – Feast: St. Joseph 7:30a.m. – Intentions of Jean Fishburn 12:10p.m. – St. Joseph Sisters, Barb Priamo

Wednesday, March 20 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – Intentions of Mary Sisolak, Elliot Lane

Thursday, March 21 – Ferial: Weekday **12:10p.m.** – Peter & Mary Vasko & Deceased Family
Members, Deceased Members of the Soligo &
Fazzari Families, Patricia McNeil

Friday, March 22 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – Jenna Gazzola 7:00p.m. – Lenten Musical Reflection with John Miller & Friends

Saturday, March 23 – Ferial 5:15p.m. – Mario Milani, Bruce Clayton, Mary Reid, Anton Semlak

Sunday, March 24 – Third Sunday of Lent 9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$7,833.50 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

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

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

Tuesday, March 19th is the feast of St. Joseph. We only have limited information about St. Joseph as provided by the Gospels of St. Matthew and St. Luke. Matthew (13:55) implies that Joseph pursued the trade of a carpenter, although the Greek word used in the text could apply equally to a wealthy builder or a poor craftsman. Matthew describes him as a "righteous man," meaning a man of obedience to the Jewish law. But Matthew's account of the birth of Jesus suggests that Joseph like his namesake in the Old Testament, the patriarch Joseph, was also a man subject to vivid dreams that dictated his conduct toward Mary and her child. Later, tradition made Joseph an elderly man who was betrothed to the youthful Mary after a heavenly sign singled him out as her predestined spouse; a staff of cherry wood that he carried on a visit to the Jewish temple miraculously blossomed. For this reason, in Christian art, Joseph is often shown carrying a flowering branch. Saint Joseph is the patron saint of the universal church, of workers, of the dying and the patron saint of Canada.

OUR LENTEN SCHEDULE:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday – Mass at 7:30a.m.; Tuesday and Thursday Mass at 12:10p.m.; Friday Stations of the Cross at 7p.m. followed by Mass except Friday, March 22nd when we welcome back John Miller and Friends for a Lenten reflection in song and prayer.

PARISH NEWS

CWL MEET. CRAFT. PRAY!

Starting March 26th in our Church Hall from 9:30a.m. to 11:30a.m. we are forming a new group for crafters and aspiring crafters. all crafts. all abilities. all welcome! Refreshments provided. This activity will take place the last Tuesday of the month. To express an interest, request transportation or for additional details contact Agnese at 519-836-9804 or agnesenagy56@gmail.com or Janette at 519-821-6190 or castellanja@gmail.com.

CWL GENERAL MEETING

Please join us on Tuesday, March 19th for our monthly general meeting, starting at 7p.m. in the Church Hall. Our guest speaker will be our Diocesan President Joan Schurter, as she shares her CWL faith journey. All women are welcome.

OTHER NEWS

VOCATION VIEWS

Peter, James and John had a mountaintop experience with Jesus by witnessing His transfiguration. We too can have a mountaintop experience when we open our minds and hearts to following Gods will for our lives. If you thnk 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.

ARE YOU SEPARATED AND/OR DIVORCED

Has a separation or divorce caused you to feel upset, or like you are on a roller coaster? Would you like to minimize the impact on yourself and feel stronger? LEARNING TO COPE (LEVEL 1) is a ten week support program offered in Kitchener starting Tuesday, March 19th from 7 to 9:30p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Parish. The program is for persons experiencing difficulties as a result of a separation or divorce. Cost is \$35. For more information contact the Family Ministry Office at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249. If you have already completed Level 1, 2 or 3 join the next level and continue the journey toward healing and connect with others experiencing the same change in their lives.

MICHAEL HOUSE

Michael House is looking for an overnight staff member. Overnight Staff working at Michael House will work as a team member with other employees and volunteers to ensure Michael House is a positive and safe environment. See job description on the bulletin board and reply with resume and cover letter to Employment@michaelhouse.ca.

LOYOLA HOUSE GUELPH

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Contact us at loyolahouse.com or 519-824-1250 ext. 266.

- Lenten Taize Weekend March 22-24 with Fr. Bernie Carroll SJ; Brother Dan Lackman SJ; Tarcia Gerwin
- Les Miserables Weekend March 29-31 with Brother Dan Lackman
- Retreat with Jonah March 29-31 with Fr. Greg Kennedy SJ

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS JUNE 9th, 2019

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2019? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 9th at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30p.m. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only . those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster at the south front transept for information on how to register for the celebration.

KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS

This is a ten week video based program that all people (married, dating or single) can use to develop skills needed to have a meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better \(\mathbb{m} \mathbb{e} + \text{in all your relationships!} \) The program is offered at the Diocesan Chancery Office Hamilton on Thursday evenings from 7-9p.m. March 21st to May 30th. Cost is \(\mathbb{4}5. \) Contact the Family Ministry Office at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

The Knights of Columbus Elmira are hosting a Fish Fry Friday, March 22nd in the St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive. Continuous seating 5:30p.m. to 7p.m. Take-out from 5-5:30p.m. Adults \$16; Children (12 and under) \$8 and Take Out \$16.

Advanced tickets available at the Parish Office between 9a.m. and 1p.m. 519-669-3387. Proceeds to the Knights charities.

FOURTH ANNUAL DIOCESAN YOUTH RALLY

We invite young people in grades 7-12 to join us May 25th for %According To Your Word+ our Diocesan Youth Rally at Bingemans Centre in Kitchener. Rally Day promises to be another fun-filled, prayerful and impactful day for young people of the Diocese. To register visit www.hamitondiocese.com/youthrally.

THERE IS HOPE AFTER AN ABORTION

Are you struggling with an abortion decision - either your own or someone elseqs? Do you feel alone, emotional or angry? Project Rachel is a ministry of healing for any person suffering pain or problems from an abortion experience. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 1-905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is hosting a National Conference on Evangelization and Catechesis April 4-6th at Hilton Inn Hotel Ottawa Airport on the theme %de Thirsts For You.+ Guest Speakers are: Bishop William McGrattan of Calgary; Father Ron Rolheiser OMI and Dr. Josephine Lombardi along with four workshops. To register contact Marg Shea-Lawrence by email at m.shea-lawrence@cccb.ca or call 1-613-241-9461 ext. 109.

EASTER BRUNCH AT LOYOLA

Book a spot for this years Easter Brunch! There will be a smorgasbord of breakfast and lunch favourites that is sure to delight your palate! Tickets are \$25. Seniors and Children under 12 \$16. Children under 6 are free. Reserved seating 10a.m. to 12noon. Call 519-824-1250 ext. 241 by April 10th or email: officecoordinator@ignatiusguelph.ca.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Join us Tuesday, March 26th at 7p.m. at the Albion Hotel (rescheduled from February) with Richard Olson on the topic, %m I Good Enough? Mentoring Young People in the Promise of the Gospel.+Join us for fun, faith, food and fellowship.

KNIGHTS CHARITIES EASTER DINNER/ DANCE

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Charities Easter Dinner/ Dance Saturday, April 27th in St. Josephos Church Hall, Guelph. Dinner at 6:30p.m. followed by Dance at 8p.m. Menu includes: stuffed chicken breast, roasted potatoes & vegetables, salad, buns, dessert. Cash bar all evening. A silent auction fund-raiser will take place. Cost is \$40 per person with a \$20 charitable receipt. Tickets now available. Call Jim Neville at 519-824-7615 or Gary Calverley at 519-824-6381.

45th ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINES OF QUEBEC

Join us August 5th to 9th as we visit Our Lady of The Rosary Shrine, Ste. Anne de Beaupre; Sacred Heart Shrine and Our Lady of Lourdes Shrine; 4 night accommodations, 4 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 4 dinners and all religious activities. Cost per person . 1 person per room 795; 2 persons \$725; 3

persons \$695. Contact Rose Gunn at 519-744-5923 or Angie Hunt at 519-766-5262.