

**Monday, March 25** – Feast: The Annunciation of the Lord 7:30a.m. – Intentions of Marc Wysocki, Marion Scollard

Tuesday, March 26 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Dr. Louisa Rosa

**12:10p.m**. – Nancy Hawkswell, Patsy Stemmler, Special Intentions

Wednesday, March 27 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Dorothy Barrett

**Thursday, March 28** – Ferial: Weekday

12:10p.m. – Deceased Members of the Family of Norm & Joan Smith, Peter Jonathan Ghey

Friday, March 29 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Elizabeth Quintanar

7:00p.m. – Olga Maschio

Saturday, March 30 – Ferial

5:15p.m. – Eleanor Sorbara, Robert Holliday, Julia & George Lucchese, Jakob Thelen & Deceased Members of the Thelen & Neisen Families

**Sunday, March 31** – Fourth Sunday of Lent **9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.** 

### Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$8,754.75 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

## **PARISH NEWS**

#### **CWL MEET, CRAFT, PRAY!**

Starting March 26<sup>th</sup> 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.

# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: SHARE LENT 2019

Lent is a time of preparation and introspection. It is a moment to draw closer to God through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. For forty days and forty nights we walk together with Jesus. This year Development and Peace - Caritas Canada is adding its voice to those of Pope Francis and Caritas Internationalis by inviting Canadians to share the journey with the 68.5 million forced migrants in the world today. Launched in Rome in September 2017, the Share The Journey campaign is much more than just an initiative to raise awareness on migration issues. Rather, Pope Francis urges us to undergo a true transformation of the heart. Faced with a culture of indifference that confuses minds and stifles hearts, he invites us to build a culture of encounter – a culture of mercy and compassion. Pope Francis said, "For me this word is very important. Encounter with others. Why? Because faith is an encounter with Jesus and we must do what Jesus does - encounters others. With our faith we must create a 'culture of encounter'. a culture of friendship, a culture in which we find brothers and sisters, in which we can also speak with those who think differently, as well as those who hold other beliefs, who do not have the same faith. They all have something in common with us - they are images of God, they are children of God."

#### **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.

#### **THANK YOU**

Thank you for your donation of \$2,256.00 towards the education of future priests for our Diocese.

#### **MONTHLY CARD PARTY**

Join us Friday evening at 7p.m. in our Parish Hall for our monthly card party. Light lunch served at 9p.m.

#### **PRAYER ROSARIES**

The Knights of Columbus will be selling beautiful olive wood rosaries made by students in Jerusalem. The cost is \$10 each and they will be on sale after the Masses on April 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds to support the Knights charitable works in our community.

### **OTHER NEWS**

#### **VOCATION VIEWS**

The Lord is kind and merciful and calls us to proclaim His Name. Consider service in the priesthood or consecrated life. If you think that 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.

#### **FOURTH ANNUAL DIOCESAN YOUTH RALLY**

We invite young people in grades 7-12 to join us May 25<sup>th</sup> 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.

## NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is hosting a National Conference on Evangelization and Catechesis April 4-6<sup>th</sup> at Hilton Inn Hotel Ottawa Airport on the theme % 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 <a href="mailto:m.shea-lawrence@cccb.ca">m.shea-lawrence@cccb.ca</a> 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 10<sup>th</sup> or email: officecoordinator@ignatiusguelph.ca.

#### **THEOLOGY ON TAP**

Join us Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### <u>CELEBRATION OF PRIESTHOOD AND</u> CONSECRATED LIFE DINNER

The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of Priesthood & Consecrated Life Dinner sponsored by the Serra Club of Hamilton will be held Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at the Liuna Station Hamilton. Please check <a href="https://www.celebrationprl.wixsite.com/dinner">www.celebrationprl.wixsite.com/dinner</a> for details or call Margaret Carreiro at 1-905-628-5682.

#### KNIGHTS CHARITIES EASTER DINNER/ DANCE

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Charities Easter Dinner/ Dance Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### A NOTE FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Families are kindly asked to remove all wreaths on stands and other winter decorations from their lots by April 1<sup>st</sup> to facilitate the Spring Clean-Up. Any wreaths and decorations remaining after April 1<sup>st</sup> will be removed and discarded. For further information call Marymount Cemetery at 519-836-8814.



The One Heart, One Soul Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton is about to reach high gear! The 14 Pilot Wave Parishes have been busy planning the projects of theirs that will benefit from the campaign, and a public kick-off Mass will be held at noon on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, Solemnity of the Annunciation of Our Lord, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Crosby and followed by a reception at the Cathedral.

The First Wave Parishes will be holding kickoffs for their own efforts in April. Three additional waves over the next two years will allow every Parish in the Diocese of Hamilton to participate. Most of the funds from the three year campaign will go to Parish projects, with a special emphasis on the Parishes most in need. A number of diocesan ministries will benefit as well.