

Monday, February 24 – Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. – Jerka Kreze, Living & Deceased Members of the
McLelland, Weiler & Browning Families,
Intentions of Patricia Grierson

Tuesday, February 25 – Ferial: Weekday **6:30p.m.** – Intentions of Agnese Nagy, Intentions of Judy Scherer, Intentions of Theresa Heeley, Intentions of Helen Lenzi

Wednesday, February 26 – Ash Wednesday

7:30a.m. – Wallace Anderson 12:10p.m – Bruce Rowsell 7:00p.m. – Shelley Tighe

Thursday, February 27 – Ferial: Weekday **7:30a.m.** – Nat Pagnan, Freda McGilloway

Friday, February 28 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – Walter & Mary Boinski

Saturday, February 29 – Ferial **9:00a.m.** – Special Intentions

5:15p.m. – Deceased Members of the Weiler Family, Mary Desmond, Gino Bortolon, Elvira Cabling, David Rutten, Intentions of Hildegard Phelan

Sunday, March 1 – First Sunday of Lent **9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.**

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$9,159.75 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the families of Dominga Dulatre and Robert Langlois. May they and all our deceased loved ones rest in peace with our Lord.

PARISH NEWS

LENTEN REFLECTIONS CONCERT

John B. Miller & Friends will be performing a Lenten Concert at the Basilica on Friday, March 6th at 7:30p.m., following the Stations of the Cross starting at 7p.m. A \$10 cash donation is appreciated. For further information please visit www.johnbmiller.ca.

2019 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2019 Income Tax Receipts are now available for pick up after all Masses in the Basilica, behind the altar in the alcove.

SARUM COMPLINE IN THE CRYPT

Compline is the official Night Prayer of the Church, which forms part of the Divine Office, or the Liturgy of the Hours. This Lent we have a unique opportunity to take part in the sung Office of Compline according to the Sarum Rite, which was widely used in England prior to the Reformation. Dr. William Renwick, Professor Emeritus at McMaster University, and Canada's foremost expert in Sarum Rite, will give a brief presentation and then lead the Hamilton Gregorian Schola in sung Compline Sunday, March 8th at 7p.m. in the Crypt area of the Parish Hall. All are welcome and the service will be followed by a Wine and Cheese Reception.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE MASS

On Thursday, March 12th at 7p.m. Bishop Crosby will be visiting the Basilica of Our Lady for a special Mass for 40 Days for Life. 40 Days for Life is a time of prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The prayer vigil is taking place daily from February 26th to April 5th in downtown Guelph and all are encouraged to sign up to pray. Visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph for more details, or call 519-836-6311.

RITE OF ELECTION

On Sunday, February 23rd the Rite of Election for those parishes in the Bruce-Grey, Waterloo and Wellington Deaneries will take place at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Guelph at 1:30p.m. with Bishop Crosby. This is an occasion where the Church is invited to celebrate with the catechumens who will be celebrating the Sacrament of Initiation at the upcoming Easter Vigil. All are welcome.

CWL NEWS:

- The CWL is pleased to present a screening of the film "Unplanned" at 7p.m. on Thursday, March 5th in the Parish Hall. Based on a powerful true story, "Unplanned" shows how an abortion clinic worker had a change of heart and became pro-life. Admission is free and donations will be collected for Guelph & Area Right to Life. For information, contact Bernadette Best at detjev@hotmail.com.
- All ladies of the Parish are welcome to join the CWL Meet, Craft and Pray group on Tuesday, Feb. 25th from 9:30a.m.-11:30a.m. in the Parish Hall. This month, the project will be prayer shawls.
- The CWL is looking for contributions to their cookbook, which is being compiled for the CWL's 100th anniversary. Please email CWLcookbook2021@gmail.com with your contributions.
- A reminder that the CWL is still collecting membership dues for 2020. Membership to the League is \$25 and is open to every woman over the age of 16. Dues can be placed in an envelope addressed to the Catholic Women's League.

OTHER NEWS

VOCATIONS:

"Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect." Do you feel called to help people get closer to God? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Father Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE

The World Day of Prayer Service will be held this year at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 175 Emma Street, Guelph. The service this year was prepared by the women of Zimbabwe. We look forward to hearing our guest speaker, Rev. Naomi Miller who is now the Rector at Church of the Apostles. Please join us Friday, March 6th at 2:00p.m.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

On February 26th, 40 Days for Life will be starting in Guelph and around the world. Through 40 days of prayer and peaceful vigil, people of faith will be praying for an end to abortion and for healing for those who have been impacted by abortion. This prayer has saved lives, as women who have been considering abortion have seen the prayer vigils and decided to choose life. To learn more about the local effort in Guelph, visit 40daysforlife.com/guelph or call Guelph & Area Right to Life at 519-836-6311.

SHRINES OF QUEBEC PILGRIMAGE

Overland Tours is organizing another pilgrimage to the Shrines of Quebec Monday, August 3rd, 2020 to Friday, August 7th, 2020. Think about joining us for 5 days of Masses, Stations of the Cross, recitation of the rosary and the Divine Mercies, tours of the shrines and much more. Watch for our flyer advertising all the details. Please consider sharing a room with a friend. For more information, contact Rose Gunn at 519-744-5923 or Angie Hunt at 519-766-5262. Looking forward to seeing you in August.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2020? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 14th, 2020 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 tower entrance of the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

"WOMAN AT THE WELL" PRESENTATION

On March 4th at 7:30p.m. at St. Joseph Church, Guelph, we have the great pleasure of having Dr. Josephine Lombardi give us a talk on the "Woman of the Well" to start our Lenten journey. Dr. Lombardi is an Associate Professor of Pastoral and Systematic Theology, Professor of Field Education and Director of Lay Formation for St. Augustine's Seminary in Scarborough, ON. She has been an advisor to the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and her books, "On Earth as it is in Heaven" and "Experts in Humanity," have been featured on Salt and Light TV. Dr. Lombardi is a wonderfully dynamic speaker that we know you will enjoy. Please come and join us!

FINDING STRENGTH AFTER SEPARATION OR DIVORCE

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 Hamilton starting Tuesday, March 24th from 7-9p.m. at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton. A newly written Level 2 program will be offered on the same evening (past participants welcome!) and Level 3 and Level 4 will run at the same time and location on Wednesday evenings. Contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or find out more online at www.hamiltondiocese.com. Come on your own or bring a friend and find your strength again.

BOOK LAUNCH AT IGNATIUS JESUIT CENTRE

Father Greg Kennedy's *Reupholstered Psalms* is a modern, poetic rendering of the ancient Hebrew prayers. Lorraine Roy's *Woven Woods* describes inspiration and imagery behind a collection of twelve round fabric wall hangings depicting the wonders of tree root communication. Be sure to attend this book launch Thursday, March 26th at 7p.m. and invite a friend! Both Greg & Lorraine will read some passages from their books. Free will offering accepted. For more information email gkennedy@ignatiusguelph.ca.

COME RETREAT AT LOYOLA HOUSE

Are you looking to break away and spend time in silence? See our website at loyolahouse.com for more information on these upcoming retreats and programs at Ignatius Jesuit Centre, Guelph:

- **Lenten Taize Weekend** March 20-22 led by Bernie Carroll, SJ & Dan Leckman, SJ
- **Les Miserables Weekend** March 27-29 led by Dan Leckman, SJ
- *A Retreat with Jonah* March 27-29 led by Greg Kennedy, SJ
- Holy Week Retreat April 4-12
- **Easter Triduum** April 9-12

Register online at loyolahouse.com or contact <u>registration@ignatiusguelph.ca</u> or by calling 519-824-1250 ext. 266.

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