

Monday, August 24 – Feast: St. Bartholomew

Tuesday, August 25 – Ferial: Weekday **9:00a.m.** – Don Grierson, Beata Luiza Maria Fernandes, St. Martin de Porres, Intentions of the Nunes Family

Wednesday, August 26 – Ferial: Weekday 9:00a.m. – St. Michael, George Gemin, Intentions of All Clergy

Thursday, August 27 – Feast: St. Monica **9:00a.m.** – Nancy Guchardi, Father Angelico Valeriote, Adele Raftis

Friday, August 28 – Feast: St. Augustine 9:00a.m. – Primo Baggio, Jerry Murphy, Elaine van Merkestein, Mary Lou Hall

Saturday, August 29 – Feast: The Passion of St. John the Baptist

5:15p.m. – Peggy Moore, Eamov Sloan, Billy Farquhar, Theresa Lavallee, Deidre O'Brien

Sunday, August 30 – Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$5,275.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

PARISH & OTHER NEWS

COVID-19 UPDATES

Please refer to our parish website (www.basilicaofourlady.com) or the diocesan website (www.hamiltondiocese.com) for the current and updated directives regarding COVID-19 from Bishop Crosby and the Diocese of Hamilton.

VOCATIONS:

"For who has known the mind of the Lord?" Sometimes our mind is not necessarily the mind of the Lord. If God is calling you to serve as a priest, contact Father Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

BLESSINGS IN THE MIDST OF TRIAL

The pandemic hasn't halted the good work of the church. The Stewardship & Development Office of the Diocese of Hamilton asked for examples and parishes have continued to provide a wealth of them. To access the **seven** profoundly uplifting volumes please visit the Diocesan website at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

PRAY ROSARY WITH CARDINAL COLLINS

The last Saturday of every month, Serra International hosts a virtual global Rosary for vocations. In this way, Serrans from all over the world come together to prayerfully support our mission. You can join too. This month's rosary will be led by Serra International's wonderful and dedicated Episcopal Adviser, Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto on August 29th, 2020 at 9a.m. To join our rosary from your computer, tablet or smartphone, go to: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/314315981 or call 1-647-497-9380 and Access Code: 314-315-981. Don't miss the opportunity!

RCIA

September is the time when RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) begins for those who are interested in and perhaps already deciding, that they wish to become a Catholic. Experience tells us that many people simply need an invitation to enter the program. If you know anyone who might be so inclined why not ask them. You can re-assure them that the experience will be a life-changing one. They will not be pressured in any way and they can exit the program any time they choose to do so. The process respects the reality that whether or not they choose to become Catholic, that decision is theirs and theirs alone. Please contact the parish office if interested.

PARISH PICNIC 2020 CANCELLED

Unfortunately we are unable to proceed with even a modified Picnic in September due to the current pandemic, so we will be cancelling the picnic for 2020. We will return with our best-ever Parish Picnic in 2021 and we will have much to celebrate. This is such a wonderful event each year and we look forward to a time when we can gather once again as a blessed parish community!

DAILY MEDITATIONS - HENRI NOUWEN SOCIETY

A gift only becomes a gift when it is received; and nothing we have to give—wealth, talents, competence, or just beauty— will ever be recognized as true gifts until someone is open to accept them. This all suggests that if we want others to grow—that is, to discover their potential and capacities, to experience that they have something to live and work for—we should first of all be able to recognize their gifts and be willing to receive them. For we only become fully human when we are received and accepted.