



# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



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SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday – 5:00 p.m. (Ayr) 7:00 p.m. (Kitchener) Sunday 8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

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## PASTORAL CARE (SICK/ELDERLY):

If you know someone who is sick, please call the church office

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

Church door collection on the last Sunday of each month.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

Judy Knight – 519-894-5599

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## PARISH VISITATION MINISTRY:

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## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:

Alannah LeJeune - 519-500-4534

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Lucille Gaskin – 519-743-6828

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday – 11:00 a.m.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month.

## BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS:

First Sunday of the month

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the office for a meeting.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please call the office for a meeting.



## 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR WEEK OF October 10, 2021

**Monday 9:00 a.m.** Int. of Deacon & Nancy  
Devereaux - Friend

**Tuesday 9:00 a.m.** †Zeman & Willisich Families  
– Christina Zeman

**Wednesday 9:00 a.m.** Int. of Bajac Family  
– Marko & Irene Bajac

**Thursday 9:00 a.m.** Int. of Lily Correia  
– Estella Correia

**Friday 9:00 a.m.**  
†Erwin & Marlene Priditsch - Family  
†DragicaMaver – Ivan & Ana Drgastin  
†Fr. John Redmond – Sandra & Rocco Sacrfone

**Saturday Ayr 5:00 p.m.** For the People  
**7:00 p.m.** †Joe Black  
– Gerald & Doreen Yarascavitch

**Sunday 8:15 a.m.** †Winfred Ryan  
– Alannah & Gerry LeJeune

**10:00 a.m.** † Brian Correia  
– Tony & Grace Capa

**11:45 a.m.** † Susan Cabral – Estella Correia

## Blessed Sacrament Church EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

### Monday

Thanksgiving Day Mass **9:00 a.m.**  
Office is Closed Today

### Tuesday

Bible Study - 9:40 a.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> Confession J. Sweeney School 7:00 p.m.  
Legion of Mary 7:30 p.m. Meeting Rm

### Wednesday

Adoration 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
1<sup>st</sup> Confession J. Sweeney School 7:00 p.m.

### Thursday

Adoration 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  
RCIA – 7:00 p.m. Meeting Rm

### Saturday

Confessions 11:00 a.m. \* **please note there will be a Celebration of Life at the same time.**

### THANKSGIVING DAY MASS

We will celebrate Mass on Monday October 11, 2021 at **9:00 a.m.** This will replace our 7:00 p.m. Mass that day.

### NEW DATES FOR POSTPONED FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION!

We know that you have been patiently awaiting the rescheduling of sacramental celebrations that were postponed this past spring due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Please check our website for all the dates and information you need.

### CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

Do your children attend public or private school or do you home-school?  
If you are wondering how to support their ongoing formation in religious education, the Diocese of Hamilton offers Catechetical Correspondence Programs for every age and stage from Kindergarten through to High School including programs specially designed to assist children preparing for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation. Contact Sybil at 905-528-7988 x2339 or email: [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com).

### CWL

On behalf of my executive & myself we wish all the parishioners a very Happy Thanksgiving.  
Blessings, Judy

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE



Help save lives by praying for an end to abortion from September 22nd to October 31st. 40 Days for Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. The campaign began in 1998 in Bryan/College Station, Texas where the first Planned Parenthood abortion clinic opened. From there this pro-life movement has spread to “hundreds of cities in dozens of countries” and continues to save lives and change the hearts of

those it reaches. You can learn more about the background and mission of 40 Days for Life on their website: [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com).

To sign up for an hour here in Kitchener please visit [www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener](http://www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener)

Thank you for supporting life!

### **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)**



For any adult who would like to explore the Roman Catholic Faith with the possibility of receiving the Sacraments of the Church at Easter, please call the office for information.

### **DIOCESAN EVENTS**

#### **COVID VACCINES**

The official position of the Catholic Church is that all available COVID vaccines are ethical and all Catholics who are able are encouraged to receive the vaccine. All employees serving in the Diocese of Hamilton are encouraged to be fully vaccinated or to submit to a COVID rapid test every Monday and Thursday in order to carry out their responsibilities. Volunteer liturgical ministers are required to be fully vaccinated. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, encourages every member of the Catholic Church within our Diocese of Hamilton to be fully vaccinated.

Online Learning for Adult Faith Formation - The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to have The University of Dayton: Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) as a partner in adult faith formation. The VLCFF is a living adult faith community offering online learning opportunities to address the learning needs of adults in our Diocese. Whether taking courses for professional development in ministry or for personal nourishment, the VLCFF provides a breadth of opportunity for learning including full certificate programs, five-week online courses and three-week intensive online seminars. For more information check out the Hamilton Diocese learns web page or contact the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at (905) 528-7988 x 2339 or [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com).

### **PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH**

October brings cooler air and the final harvests of the season. It is a time when we see the beauty of nature and the creative mind of God in providing this world for each of us. Children spend a lot of time wishing for things they don't have, instead of focussing on what they do have, including love from family members, their faith community and friends and neighbours who care for them. During this month of thanksgiving, help your children focus on giving thanks for all they have by writing a daily gratitude journal. Each day they can write about the goodness's of their day and at the end of the month they will have documentation about how much they have to be grateful for - both to God and everyone else who contributes to their lives.

### **MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH**

As we continue to deal with the COVID virus in our communities, people are feeling the continued burden of the unknown about its dangers and how long it will last. This causes stress which might cause couples to lash out at the one they love most. Take some time to change the pattern of your life by planning some fun activities for the two of you, communicate truthfully about how you are feeling, acknowledge that your spouse may not be at their best because they are stressed, hold hands and hug often as touch can relieve stress and pray together that God will give you strength. Feeling united will reduce stress levels for both of you and create a more peaceful environment to help you deal with the unknowns.

### **Unpacking UNPLANNED: Bringing Hope and Healing**

Hamilton Right to Life and the Diocesan Family Ministry Office are partnering to bring you an online information session regarding UNPLANNED, the story of Abby Johnson, the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic director in the U.S., and how she changed her mind on abortion. The Zoom event will combine video, questions and discussion. Join us on Oct. 27th from 7-8:30pm as Mrs. Teresa Hartnett (MRE), Director of Family Ministry, will share how individuals and groups can spread the pro-life message. The session is free, but donations will

be accepted during registration. Click here to register or call Hamilton Right to Life at 905-528-3065.

### **WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES DIOCESAN EVENT**

Being held May 28, 2022 at Mount Mary in Ancaster. Pope Francis is urging diocesan administrators to begin preparations for the 2022 World Meeting of Families and this is exactly what the Diocese of Hamilton has begun to do! The Pope has asked that, "wherever it is possible, I would like to invite diocesan communities to plan initiatives based on the theme of the meeting, and to use the symbols being prepared by the Diocese of Rome." More information will follow. For now, we encourage you to keep Saturday, May 28th open. As the Pope Francis reminds us, this is "a great opportunity for Catholics to renew their commitment to family ministry."

### **MARRIAGE SUPPORT**

Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. It is a practical program, where sharing is only between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend will take place via Zoom, November 4 - 7. For information call 905-664-5212 or e-mail: teamrecine@gmail.com.

### **EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY BISHOP WAYNE LOBSINGER**

Interested in learning more about our Catholic Faith? Join Bishop Lobsinger for "Evenings with His Excellency" on the second Friday of each month at 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in Canadian Martyrs Church, (1349 Main Street West, Hamilton). Each month we will methodically go through the "Catechism of the Catholic Church". There is no registration, no fee and no homework. Come

ready to learn and ask all the questions you always wanted to ask about our Catholic Faith. If you are unable to attend in person, you are welcome to go to canadianmartyrshamilton.com to watch live. (All COVID-19 protocols will be required, including masks while in the church and proper social distancing.)

### **RESTART: A SEPARATION AND DIVORCE RECOVERY PROGRAM**

Feeling the need for support, healing and/or hope after a separation or divorce? The Diocesan ReStart Programs support your journey, providing you with tools to remain healthy. For more information contact Teresa at the Family Ministry Office - (905) 528-7988, ext. 2250.

### *Special Grace for Thanksgiving Dinner*

*Lord, our God, with fatherly love you come to the aid of your children. Bless us on this Thanksgiving Day and these your gifts which we are about to receive from your goodness. Grant that all peoples may be gladdened by the favours of your Providence. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### *Prayer after Dinner*

*We thank you, O Lord, for being nourished by this day and strengthened by the food received from your gracious bounty. As a family may we always be united in your love. Bring peace to this house and all who live here and to all who visit. May God give eternal rest to those who have fallen asleep with the sign of faith and who await the Resurrection Christ promised. Amen.*

### **CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES**

If you are not at present using envelopes and wish to begin, then please complete the form on our website. All charitable donations must be substantiated by receipts.