



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

LEGION OF MARY:

Christopher Moore – 647-785-4932

PARISH VISITATION MINISTRY:

Connie Voll – 226-988-4181

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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

1st 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.



Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR WEEK OF October 4, 2021

Monday 7:00 p.m. Int. of Rocco Scarfone

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. †Willy vanGent

– JoscelynevanGent

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. † Daniel Foucault

– Pauline & Richard Proulx

Thursday 9:00 a.m. † Rita Lienhardt - Friend

Friday 9:00 a.m.

† Jacqui Parent – Lee Hannan

† Jennifer Higgins – Tony & Paula Stevenson

† Joaquim Barreiras – Cipriano Family

Saturday Ayr 5:00 p.m. For the People

7:00 p.m. † Diego Giovinazzo

– Maio - Diotte Family

Sunday 8:15 a.m. † Gerry MacDougall

– Deacon & Nancy Devereaux

10:00 a.m. † Monira Nayef

– Naal Nayef & Family

11:45 a.m. † Eva Ewaskiw

– SVDP Members

Blessed Sacrament Church

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Blessing of Pets 6:30 p.m.

Mass 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday

Bible Study - 9:40 a.m.

Prison Prayer Team 6:30 p.m.

Legion of Mary 7:30 p.m. Meeting Rm

Wednesday

Adoration 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Thursday

Adoration 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Saturday

Confessions 11:00 a.m.

BLESSING OF PETS

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi Father will be blessing pets on the Church grass space by the ring road.



**Monday, October 4 at
6:30 p.m.**

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.

PRISON PRAYER TEAM

We invite you to join us in praying the Scriptural Rosary for the intentions of Grand Valley Institution for Women this Tuesday, October 5 @ 6:30 P.M. in the Church

CWL – THANK YOU

Gerry Gunn, husband of the late Rosie Gunn would like to thank all the CWL members who organized and participated in the honor guard as well as dear friends who came out for Rosie's funeral & celebration of life on Saturday September 25th 2021.
Blessings, Judy

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.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

**Pray to End
Abortion.**

40DAYSFORLIFE
WWW.40DAYSFORLIFE.COM

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.

To sign up for an hour here in Kitchener please visit www.40daysforlife.com/vigil-hours-signup
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.

STATEMENT FROM THE CANADIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS ON RECONCILIATION WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF CANADA

The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community; physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally. Together with the many pastoral initiatives already underway in dioceses across the country, the Bishops pledged to undertake fundraising in each region of the country to support initiatives discerned locally with Indigenous partners. Furthermore, they invited the Indigenous Peoples to journey with us into a new era of reconciliation, helping us to prioritize initiatives of healing, to listen to the experience of Indigenous Peoples, especially to the survivors of Indian Residential Schools, and to educate our clergy, consecrated men and women, and lay faithful, on Indigenous cultures and spirituality. They further committed to continue the work of providing documentation or records that will assist in the memorialization of those buried in unmarked graves.

A delegation of Indigenous survivors, Elders/knowledge keepers, and youth will meet with the Holy Father in December 2021. Pope Francis will encounter and listen to the Indigenous Peoples, so as to discern how he can

support our common desire to renew relationships and walk together along the path of hope in the coming years. The Bishops of Canada have pledged to work with the Holy See and our Indigenous partners on the possibility of a pastoral visit by the Pope to Canada as part of this healing journey.

We are committed to continue the journey with the First Nations, Métis and Inuit Peoples of this land. For more information, please contact the diocese or visit www.cccb.ca.

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.)

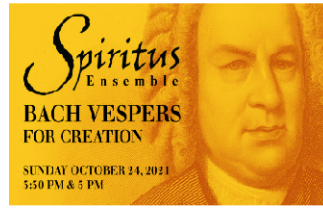
MARRIAGE SUPPORT

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

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.



LOCAL EVENTS

During the past eighteen months, Spiritus Ensemble has been able to survive via YouTube performances of Bach Cantatas. Now, we are announcing our cautious return to live performance. We plan to present a shortened form of Bach Vespers - Cantata 187 - Sunday, October 24, The Church of St John the Evangelist, 23 Water St N, Kitchener. Two performances, 3:30 pm and at 5:00 pm, each lasting about 40 minutes.

All performers will have been vaccinated, will be socially distanced, and most will be masked. Unmasked solo singers will be at least 12 feet from the nearest other performers and audience. Audience members will also need to be masked and will be seated in bubbles at least 6 feet from others. Because of these safety protocols, the maximum attendance we can accommodate is about 60 people for each performance.

As usual, the Bach Vespers will be free with a donation requested. However you must register in advance to reserve your place in the audience. This can be done through Eventbrite, where you will find the two Vespers performances listed as separate events. Go to Eventbrite.com and search for Spiritus Ensemble. Each registration should include only members of the same “bubble”. We hope that both of these performances will have a capacity audience and that we will not be able to accommodate everyone who wants to attend.

We hope that you will be able to join us for this performance of Bach’s Cantata 187, *Es wartet alles auf dich* (These all wait upon Thee) with soloists Elizabeth Lepock, Jennifer Enns Modolo, and Michael Lepock.

NEW TO OUR PARISH? YOU ARE MOST WELCOME

If you are new to our community or just visiting, welcome to Blessed Sacrament Parish. We encourage all new parishioners to register with the parish. Registration forms can be found on our website. We are most happy to have you join our Parish Family.

