

## Mass for the Intentions Week

There will be **no daily masses** from Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> as Father Charlie is on vacation. We wish him a very restful and enjoyable vacation.

### **Saturday, February 22, 2020**

5:00 p.m. *Mass at Blessed Sacrament*

### **Sunday, February 23, 2020**

9:00 a.m. For the Living and Deceased members of Sacred Heart Parish

### **Ministries**

*Sunday, February 16, 2019*

**Lectors** Sarah Lupton & David Hartwell

**Eucharistic Ministers** C. Emberson & Alex Mensah

*Sunday, February 23, 2019*

**Lectors** Maureen Richardson & Barb Llewellyn

**Eucharistic Ministers** Nolan Babin & Carolyn

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### **Vocations**

“No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him.” If God is calling you to consider the priesthood **contact Fr. Michael King**, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) - [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

### **Hamilton Diocese Prayer Calendar**

Mon. Feb. 17 Rev. Luc Payette  
 Tues. Feb. 18 Rev. Anthony Azzopardi  
 Wed. Feb. 19 Discalced Carmelite Sisters (O.C.D.)  
 Thurs. Feb. 20 Rev. Gordian Okpuruka  
 Fri. Feb. 21 Rev. Paul Vellimoozhayil, S.J.  
 Sat. Feb. 22 Rev. Scott Whitfield

### **Tax Receipts**

Tax Receipts are ready to be picked up at the back of the church. Please save us the mailing costs by picking your receipt up this week or next.

### **Parish Legacies & Bequests**

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Sacred Heart Parish in your will and when recommending expression of sympathy.

### **Sunday, February 9, 2020**

Total Revenue Envelopes \$1,506.75 Loose \$860.00



### **LAUDATO SI – ON THE CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME**

An Encyclical published by His Holiness Pope Francis in 2015

### **A Frank Dialogue in the Service of Life!**

“The same mindset which stands in the way of making radical decisions to reverse the trend of global warming also stands in the way of achieving the goal of eliminating poverty. A more responsible overall approach is needed to deal with both problems; the reduction of pollution, and the development of poorer countries and regions. For poor countries, the priorities must be to eliminate extreme poverty and to promote the social development of their people. At the same time, they need to acknowledge the scandalous level of consumption in some privileged sectors of their population, and to combat corruption more effectively. They are likewise bound to develop less-polluting forms of energy production, but to do so they require the help of countries which have experienced great growth at the cost of ongoing pollution of the planet.”

“Today, in view of the common good, there is urgent need for politics and economics to enter into a frank dialogue in the service of life, especially human life. Saving banks at any cost, making the public pay the price, foregoing a firm commitment to renewing and reforming the entire system, only reaffirms the absolute power of a financial system, a power which has no future and will only give rise to new crises after a slow, costly and only apparent recovery. The financial crisis of 2007-2008 provided an opportunity to develop a new economy, more attentive to ethical principles, and new ways of regulating speculative financial practices and virtual wealth. But the response to the crisis did not include rethinking the outdated criteria which continue to rule the world.

Comment: In his encyclical Pope Francis often writes about the need for those who have great wealth to give serious consideration to assisting those in great poverty. Foremost in his mind and heart is the scandal of stark, painful poverty, co-existing with excessive consumption and a ‘throw-away culture.’ Whether the contrast is between wealthy countries and poor countries, or between wealthy groups of people and the poor majority in some countries, Pope Francis is urging us to see and feel the rich-poor gap as unjust, intolerable and, in the long run, ruinous for the world. However, this encyclical is not only putting out a call

to the wealthy, it is also requesting all people of good will to do all they can for those less fortunate. Here in Hamilton we are so fortunate to have many people of good will who are giving donations of their time and money to help those in need. The Good Shepherd for many years has served the poor in many ways. At their centre on Cannon Street they provide a food bank and clothing for over 2,200 families. In St. Patrick's parish they have established the DeMazenod Door Ministry to provide food and drink for homeless and poor in the neighbourhood thanks to donations from many people and companies. The HWCDSB has provided the use of parts of St. Patrick's School for this ministry that began in 2012. The Living Rock which serves teenagers who are in trouble or are living on the street with a place to meet and get some food and help. This Ministry has a fund-raising event called Soup Fest. It is at the convention centre April 11. Many in Hamilton have answered the call to serve the poor!

### **The Stations of the Cross**

In preparation for Easter your parish will be celebrating the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7:00 p.m. starting on Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup> until Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020. Various ministries will be conducting these services within Sacred Heart Parish. We ask that you come out and support these ministries.

### **Healthy Relationships Share Common Skills – Come and Learn More!**

“Keys to Loving Relationships” is a ten week video-based program that all people (married, dating, or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better “me” in all your relationships! The program is offered in Hamilton at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King ST. W., Hamilton on **Thursday evenings from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. March 26 – June 4, 2020.** The cost is \$45.00. For more information or to register, call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or register at: [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) under Upcoming Events.

### **Don't Forget Our Parish Centre**

Ideal for anniversaries, small weddings, baptisms, birthday parties and showers. Call 905-387-6650.



### **CWL Membership**

Membership Fees are due in the month of February. You can use your CWL fees envelope in your weekly donation envelopes box or, in a plain envelope with your name and address on it, enclose **\$22.00** and put it in the collection basket.

**Mark your Calendar** – Sacred Heart C.W.L. Luncheon will take place on Sunday, April 19, 2020.

### **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 14, 2020 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (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 in the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

### **Friday Night Support Group for Persons Separated or Divorced**

Would it help you to have people around you to understand what you're going through? Would you like to hear some ideas that will encourage you and help you to develop new ways of coping with the stresses in your life? The **Hamilton Diocesan Support Group meets the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month** and they can help! No need to register just come and join us at the **Chancery Office at 700 King St. West, Hamilton from 7 – 9 p.m.** For more information call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. There is **NO COST**, but great learning, caring and support!

### **Hope after an Abortion**

Are you struggling with an abortion decision – either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is a ministry of healing for any person suffering pain or problems from an abortion experience. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. **Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.**

