

Mass for the Intentions Week

Tuesday, January 10, 2023

7:00 p.m. Cathy Doody
req family
Vito Bommarito
req Mike Morton
Jacqueline Bouchard
req Diane Taylor & Alain Roy
Archimides Marpa
req Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Cruz & family

Thursday, December 12, 2023

9:00 a.m. Anthony Vizgirda
req Anonech & Hoyle families

Sunday, January 15, 2023

9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of Sacred
Heart Parish

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

7:00 p.m. Cathy Doody
req family
Deris Giavedoni
req Mike Morton
Peggy Armstrong
req Chuck & Theresa Emberson
Bonnie Lynn Henowick
req Anne Connell & family

Thursday, January 19, 2023

9:00 a.m. Joseph Downey
req Chuck & Theresa Emberson

Sunday, January 22, 2023

9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of Sacred
Heart Parish



Weekly Donations

Sunday, December 18, 2022

Total Revenue \$3,829.00.

Sunday, December 25, 2022

Total Revenue \$6,345.00

Sunday, January 1, 2023

Total Revenue \$4,437.00

The Epiphany of the Lord Epiphany...

They departed for their country by another way.
Matthew 2:12

Each Epiphany, I spent time with T.S. Elliot's poem "The Journey of the Magi." (See poetryarchive.org/poem/journey-magi/.) It powerfully captures the existential elements of this feast for me: difficulty, challenge, revelation, change. The poem relates, obliquely, the experience of magi travelling to see this Child. Their journey is difficult, and the change that seeing the Child brings is subtle and anything but superficially joyful. Their return home, Elliott writes, where things are the way they always have been, where those around them are completely unaware of the light the magi have seen. We may feel a bit of this after the Christmas season winds down. We store the decorations, set our sights on Ordinary Time – what next?

What the poem hints at is that any uneasiness might actually be a good thing. If the astounding reality of the Lord of the Universe entering his own creation as a Child doesn't shake things up, have I really been paying attention?

Jesus, Lord and Saviour, may my eyes and heart be opened.

Amy Welborn

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Testimony Matters

Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.

John 1:34

How blessed were Jesus's disciples, followers and even casual onlookers, who were able to see firsthand that he was so much more than a good man and a wise teacher. They saw him heal. They saw him perform miracles. They saw, even as he was crucified, that he was willing to forgive those who killed him. They were changed by these encounters, and they had no choice but to testify and pass on the story.

We don't get that firsthand experience. We are not eyewitnesses to the man. But when we pay close attention to our lives of faith, we can see clearly and resolutely just how alive, healing and forgiving Jesus remains. We have our own stories of encountering Jesus, and we should feel like we have no choice but to be disciples and tell others the story.

Give me the awareness, faith and courage to tell my stories of you, Jesus.

Steve Givens

Vocations

“On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.” God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ’s name? If God is calling you, to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Vocation Prayer Calendar

Mon. Jan. 9 **Baptism of the Lord**
 Tues. Jan. 10 Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto, C.S.Sp.
 Wed. Jan. 11 Sisters of St. John the Baptist C.S.J.B.
 Thur. Jan. 12 Rev. Allen Varlaki
 Fri. Jan. 13 Rev. Jerzy Tomon
 Sat. Jan. 14 Rev. Aurimas Paulius Rudinskas
 Mon. Jan. 16 Rev. Wojciech Kuzma
 Tues. Jan. 17 Rev. Francis Hubilla
 Wed. Jan. 18 Youth Ministers
 Thur. Jan. 19 Rev. Luc Payette
 Fri. Jan. 20 Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei.
 Sat. Jan. 21 Rev. Ireneusz Koziak, S.A.C.

Bible Sunday 2023

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith.

The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for youth and adults in celebration of Bible Sunday 2023. Visit our website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/> for more information.

Collection Envelopes

Boxes of envelopes are at the back of the church. If you would like to have envelopes and do not find them at the back, please call the office at 905 383-3280 and we will make them available to you.

The Reel Justice Film Festival

Join The Reel Justice Film Festival for a special discussion and film screening to raise awareness and understanding of Indigenous Reconciliation, January 26, 2023 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM . The film Doctrine of Discovery, Stolen Lands, Strong Hearts is a challenging, truthful documentary, meant to educate people about the historic policy, which established a justification for colonization and seizure of land. The legacy of the Doctrine and the impact on the current state of Indigenous affairs is discussed. Understanding the Doctrine of Discovery and its manifestations are important as we strive for reconciliation. Special discussion following the screening with Rev. Val Kerr, Indigenous Elder, and former Archdeacon for Truth, Reconciliation, and Indigenous Ministry for the Anglican Diocese of Niagara, Sarah Guinta, Coordinator Office of Justice and Peace, Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, and Christina Mines, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis, Diocese of Hamilton. The screening and discussion will be hosted online. R.S.V.P. and view our full schedule of events at: <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/> A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustice.

Parenting Tip Of The Month

As the New Year begins we often set “resolutions” to changes habits, behaviours or actions. This year set a resolution that will benefit the whole family: decide to purposely spend more time with your children, sending a message that family time matters. Build a snow fort together, make snow angels or go for a midnight walk in the snow. Cook, clean and play together. Look back on family albums and share memories and stories. Pray before/after meals, attend Mass and say the Rosary, all as a family. The possibilities are endless, as are the benefits.

Marriage Tip Of The Month

Time is often a major problem in our day, since there never seems to be enough of it! As a result, couples spend less time together, seeing it as a solution to the short on time phenomena. But love grows and there is a sense of cohesiveness when the relationship is seen as a priority. Making time together an essential part of your planning will build a closeness between the two of you, give you time to reflect on the good and challenging events in your life and help you to know each other in a deep and caring way. So find time somewhere else, instead of taking it from your couple relationship!

