

Mass for the Intentions Week

Tuesday, July 27, 2021

7:00 p.m. Cathy Doody
req family
Ermalinda Arruda
req Oliver & Karen Pavao
Josie McCaffrey
req Slattery family

Thursday, July 29, 2021

9:00 a.m. Ed Madronich
req wife Mary

Sunday, August 1, 2021

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



PARISH SUPPORT

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

Sunday, July 4, 2021

Total Revenue \$3,712.00

Sunday, July 11, 2021

Total Revenue \$1,545.00

Sunday, July 18, 2021

Total Revenue \$1,900.00

Bulletins Available In Print

As the Diocese has now permitted bulletins to be distributed at Mass, there will be bulletins in print at the doors of the church on August 1st. This bulletin will cover the entire month of August. The bulletin will continue to be found on our website.

Please note: While our church is being painted, Tuesday 7:00 p.m. and Thursday 9:00 a.m. masses are being celebrated in the Legion of Mary House (Casa Maria) located 248 Mountain Park Avenue beside our parish parking lot.

MEDITATION FOR THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted.

John 6:12

In John's telling of the miracle of the loaves and the fishes, Jesus says very little. Out of a story that is 310 words long, Jesus says only 25! But there is a whole world of meaning behind each word.

First, Jesus sets the miracle in motion with a practical question: "Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?" (John 6:5). Jesus knows what he is going to do, but he wants to prompt Philip and the other disciples to expand their expectations. He is pointing out a situation that is humanly impossible to solve so that they will begin to consider other, more divinely inspired options.

Next, he prepares everyone to receive the miracle he is about to perform: "Have the people recline" (John 6:10). They don't have to do much- just take a position of rest and trust. Of course, that may not be easy when you're hungry and you can't see any food readily available. But that's the way it is with the Lord: sometimes he asks you to rest and trust in his provision, even when you can't see any possible hope of a way out.

Finally he brings the miracle to a close: "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." (John 6:12). Jesus is generous-exceedingly generous-but he is not wasteful. A lot was left over, and Jesus wanted to make sure it went to good use. These baskets of food-one for each apostle-were his way of telling us to be equally generous in sharing his blessings. Every gift he gives is meant not just for us; it's meant to shape how we speak and act so that we can become stronger witnesses to his love.

Like manna from heaven, Jesus' grace is always showering down on us. May we learn how to receive it and always be ready to offer it to the people around us!
***"Thank you, Jesus, for always giving me what I need!
Please show me how to share your blessings with everyone else."***

Vocation Prayer Calendar

Mon. July 26	Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger
Tues. July 27	Rev. Robert Love
Wed. July 28	Institute of Kkottongnae Sisters of Jesus
Thurs. July 29	Rev. Ross Campbell
Friday July 30	Rev. Luc Payette
Sat. July 31	Rev. Gordian Okpuruka

PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord,
for the comfort of Your presence:
even in times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress since my
youth!
I thank You for having given me a family
and for having blessed me with a long life.
I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty,
for the dreams that have already come true in my life
and for those that are still ahead of me.
I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to
which You call me.
Increase, O Lord, my faith,
make me a channel of your peace,
teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me,
to never stop dreaming
and to tell of your wonders to new generations.
Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church,
that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of
the earth.
Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world,
that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed,
the poor consoled and wars ended.
Sustain me in weakness
and help me to live life to the full
in each moment that You give me,
in the certainty that you are with me every day,
even until the end of the age.
Amen.

Vocations

In the Gospel many people hunger for a small amount of food. In our day there are too many people for the small number of priest, sisters, brothers and deacons. We too must trust in the Lord by praying for more vocations. If you feel God may be selecting you for the special life of priest, religious or deacon, call Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

SACRED HEART PARISH 100TH ANNIVERSARY 1921-2021 POINT OF INTEREST

SACRED HEART CHURCH BELL TOWER

The impressive single bell that tolls for masses at Sacred Heart Church was installed when the church was built in 1951. The 15 foot bell tower sits 15 metres (50) feet above the main entrance at Mountain Park Avenue and Viewpoint Avenue. The church bell itself weighs 318 kilograms (700 pounds), and is made of brass, copper, and silver, and stands less than a metre in height, and is about 61 centimetres (24 inches) wide. However, on May 26, 2008 the bell tower was destroyed by a powerful lightning strike, and the bell was damaged. No one was hurt by the chunks of stone that were hurled to the ground. By Christmas of 2008 the bell tower had been restored, reinstated, the bell repaired, and a new electronic ringing mechanism was installed. Today, parishioners continue to listen for and to hear the beckoning of their familiar church bell. Presently, the bell rings four times a day to remember the frontline workers, working so tirelessly for us during COVID 19. (9:00 a.m., 12 noon, 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.)

Important Changes to Sacred Heart Parish 100th Anniversary Celebration

Due to ongoing pandemic concerns and uncertainties, it has been decided to extend our major celebration events into next year. As a community we need to celebrate our 100th Anniversary together -not apart. Please note these new dates on your calendar. **Our Anniversary Mass and Brunch will now be held on June 5th, 2022.** Bishop Crosby has agreed to celebrate the Anniversary Mass on June 5th, 2022 which is the Feast of Pentecost and which is in the month of June - the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. There will be a brunch to follow at Michelangelo Banquet Centre. We are hopeful that by next year all covid- 19 issues will have ended. We look forward to our Sacred Heart Community -present and past parishioners - coming together in thanksgiving to God. We hope to have a large gathering for such a momentous occasion!

In the meantime, please continue to send in your recipes for our recipe book, and also parish photos for the USB stick. Please bring these to the Parish rectory office, or email to Theresa at sacred.heart@cogeco.ca

