

Mass for the Intentions Week

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

7:00 p.m. Cathy Doody
req family
Al Tamasauskas
req Gus & Aldona Hubbard
Yvonne Tang
req Slattery family
Eleanor Perro
req Bill & Almira Garvie
John Michael Derda
req Darlene Anonech
Gord & Marie Whitehouse
req Chuck & Theresa Emberson

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

7:30 a.m. *Mass at Blessed Sacrament*

Thursday, September 20, 2018

9:00 a.m. William & Josephine (Stolaryk) Melko
family both living & deceased
req daughter Phyllis

Friday, September 21, 2018

9:00 a.m. *Mass at Blessed Sacrament*

Saturday, September 22, 2018

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

Sunday, September 23, 2018

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

VOCATIONS

“Who do people say that I am?” Who do you think Jesus is? The depth of our faith is rooted in our answer. Is God calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon? If you feel you are being called, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 x2246 vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

HAMILTON DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon.	Sept	17	Rev. Heinner Paucar, O.M.I.
Tues.	Sept	18	Rev. Henryk Krajewski, C.R.
Wed.	Sept	19	Congregation of the Missionaries of St. Charles (Scalabrinians) (C.S.)
Thurs.	Sept	20	Rev. Michal Kruszewski, C.R.
Fri.	Sept	21	Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.
Sat.	Sept	22	Rev. Peter Coughlin

LAUDATO SI-ON THE CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

An Encyclical published by His Holiness Pope Francis in 2015



In Chapter one of *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis writes about pollution and climate change.

“Exposure to atmospheric pollutants produces a broad spectrum of health hazards, especially for the poor, and causes millions of premature deaths. People take sick, for example, from breathing high levels of smoke from fuels used in cooking and heating. There is pollution that affects everyone, caused by transport, industrial fumes, substances which contribute to the acidification of soil and water, fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides, herbicides and agrottoxins in general.”

“Each year hundreds of millions of tons of waste are generated, much of it non-biodegradable, highly toxic and radioactive, from homes, businesses, from construction and demolition sites, from clinical, electronic and industrial sources.”

“It is hard for us to accept that the way natural ecosystems work is exemplary: plants synthesize nutrients which feed herbivores; these in turn become food for carnivores, which produce significant quantities of organic waste which give rise to new generations of plants. But our industrial system, at the end of its cycle of production and consumption, has not developed the capacity to absorb and reuse waste and byproducts.”

“Climate change is a global problem with grave implications: environmental, social, economic, political and for the distribution of goods. There is an urgent need to develop policies so that, in the next few years, the emission of carbon dioxide and other highly polluting gases can be drastically reduced...substituting for fossil fuels and developing sources of renewable energy.”

Comment:

The climate is a common good...belonging to all and meant for all. Our survival on earth is based on a healthy climate. No one disputes that, in order for humans to survive, everyone needs clean air, fresh water, healthy food and good soil. Yet we are informed by the media and scientists of millions of people who die because of a lack of clean air, fresh water and healthy food.

Why then, do humans pollute the air and destroy sources of clean water? In fact, which humans are the ones that destroy our air and water? Companies throughout the world produce products that result in our air and water supplies being contaminated. Here in Hamilton, Randall's Reef is one of the most toxic areas of the world because of the poisons dumped in our bay over decades. Indigenous people in Grassy Narrows in northern

Ontario, have suffered from mercury poisoning for decades because of companies dumping mercury in their fresh water rivers.

These are only a few examples of an undisputable fact that human activity is responsible not only for climate change but also the harming of our air, water and soil, that is leading to a crisis. Pope Francis calls upon us to open our minds to learning about the damage done to our common home, and to be instruments of change.

DIOCESAN CAMPAIGN

The Diocese of Hamilton has decided to move forward with a Parish-focused capital campaign after a recent study found support from 83 percent of the respondents. The planning study was conducted from May through June by the Steier Group, a campaign consulting firm, and included more than 900 clergy and lay participants. Under the proposed campaign plan, 75 percent of the funds raised would go to the Parishes for projects of their choosing, 15 percent to diocesan ministries and 10 percent to support Parishes in need. On the diocesan campaign website, www.hamiltondiocese.com/campaign, you can find a letter from Bishop Crosby about the study and the campaign, plus a more detailed summary of the planning study results.

NEWLY BAPTIZED

We congratulate the families of the recently baptized at Sacred Heart Parish:

Luna Anne Marie MacDonald-Julian, Barrington
Christopher Barrett, Diego Robinson & Isabella Grace Ewaskiw.

THE BRANCHES OF FAITH YOUTH MINISTRY

Welcome Back Students and Families! Most Blessed Sacrament Youth Ministry invites Sacred Heart youth and families to all of our events. For up-to-date events and programs please visit Most Blessed Sacrament's website blessedsacramenthamilton.com

Weekly Programs for our Young People:

1. Kids' Kingdom: Grades 2-5 ~ 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Every other Friday, beginning September 21st

2. Youth Group: Grades 6-12 ~ 8:00 p.m.

Every other Friday, beginning September 21st.

* These programs are free to attend. However we ask that you bring a donation of a non-perishable food item for our local foodbank.

Message from Rachel McNamara, Youth Minister at Blessed Sacrament Parish

A VISIT FROM OUR BLESSED MOTHER

The Legion of Mary facilitates visits of the PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE to Sacred Heart parishioners. The purpose of the visit is to help families respond to the request made by Mary at Fatima to pray the Rosary every day. The visitation promises to bring abundant graces from Our Lady to your family.

To host the Pilgrim Virgin Statue in your home please sign the form at the entrances to the Church. Or, if you would like more information please speak with Rick Blacquiare (289-925-6683) or any member of the Legion of Mary.

PARISH LEGACIES & BEQUESTS

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

Total Revenue for past week

September 9, 2018 \$2,110.90

FAITH BEGINS IN THE FAMILY

Bring your news and views to a gathering on October 20, 2018, sponsored by the Family Ministry Office. All are invited to provide input, practical advice on how we can create strong family ministry and how we can help parents and children thrive and grow in their faith, connect to the church community, and invigorate parish life. Contact the Family Ministry Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 for more information or visit the Family Ministry website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/amoris-laetitia/>.

Our Lady of The Cape / Pilgrim Statue will be visiting St. Catherine of Siena Parish (Our Lady of Lourdes Site) 416 Mohawk Rd, E. Hamilton, Ontario on October 14, 2018 Sunday at 3:00 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Divine Mercy Chaplet & Holy Rosary) 5:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist - Celebrant: Fr. Wedner Berard, O.M.I, followed by candlelight procession & Crowning of Our Lady.

St. Catherine of Siena Trip to Italy with Fr. Mark Gatto: Encounter the life and spirituality of St. Catherine of Siena while savouring the food and wine of Tuscany and Rome. The planned dates for this trip are May 19 to 29, 2019. For information you may contact Fr. Mark at 289-981-3314 or mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com Also, go to catherineofsienachurch.ca to see brochure of the trip.

