

 **MASSES OF THE WEEK**

- Monday, August 17 - Ferial: Weekday**
7:30a.m. - Plinio Campagnolo, Rosalie Beale.
- Tuesday, August 18 - Ferial: Weekday**
7:30a.m. - Kenneth Martin, Bernice LaFontaine.
- Wednesday, August 19 - Ferial: Weekday**
7:30a.m. - Louis Petnic, Zigmias Glinskas.
- Thursday, August 20 - Feast: St. Bernard**
7:00p.m. - Mary Macerollo, Fred Seifried.
- Friday, August 21 - Feast: St. Pius X**
7:30a.m. - The Deceased Members of the Kleinveld Family, Edit Marosan.
- Saturday, August 22 - Feast: Queenship of Mary**
5:15p.m. - Luigi Pellegrini, Salvatore Tadini, Miriam Giombetti.
Intentions of Ellyn Kerr,
Intentions of Theresa Hobin.
- Sunday, August 23 - Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$7668.07 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's many blessings.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE:

3/ David Jason Pipe & Katherine Elizabeth Burian

PARISH NEWS

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Catechetical correspondence courses will now be available through our Diocesan Office for Ministry, Family and Religious Education. These courses are intended for those who are attending non-Roman Catholic schools as a way of helping them engage in faith development and prepare to receive the Sacraments of the Church. To register call Carol at 1-519-528-7988 ext. 2238 or check out the website at www.hamiltondiocese.com. It is important that we have the names of those doing these programs so please contact Sister Elaine through the Parish Office.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: R.C.I.A.

RCIA stands for the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults." RCIA's primary purpose is the initiation of unbaptized adults, but it is also useful for converts who were baptized in other Christian communities and also for baptized, but uncatechised Catholics. This rite is a process for transformation. The formulation process extends through several periods and is articulated by various liturgical rites throughout the year. The four periods in this process are as follows:

- 1) Inquiry by the candidate and evangelization, and the pre-catechumenate on the part of the church. It ends with entrance into the order of catechumens.
- 2) This is the period of catechesis (teaching the truths of the faith).
- 3) The Lenten preparation for Easter - a time of purification and enlightenment leading up to the Easter Vigil.
- 4) The whole Easter season and post-baptismal catechesis or "mystagogia." It is a time for deepening the Christian experience, for gaining spiritual fruit and for entering more closely into the life and unity of the community of faith.

Basic to this whole process is a theology of the Church as a paschal community. R.C.I.A. spells out the various ministries which come into play. What is done with the converts is not simply the priest's problem or responsibility. It is the concern and the business of all the baptized. Being a sponsor or Godparent is far more demanding than placing a hand on a shoulder on the day of baptism. To remodel one's life after Christ, is the spirit of R.C.I.A. If you are interested in becoming part of this process please register or call the parish office for our September program.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION DUE TO INFLUENZA A (H1N1):

Until further notice the following measures are to be adopted at Mass:

- parishioners are advised to refrain from shaking hands during the sign of peace and simply bow or say "Peace be with you" to one another
- Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will sanitize their hands before and after distributing Communion
- Communion will not be distributed from the cup
- all are to receive Communion in the hand only
- thank you for your co-operation as we all want to remain healthy

CHURCH OF OUR LADY

Church of Our Lady began serving the community in 1888 and remains today a strong symbol of faith. The continued support of parishioners is a wonderful sign of your Stewardship and has never been more important. Major repairs and restoration projects are underway and are very costly to fund. Please consider us as you prepare or update your estate and financial plans. A modest gift by way of bequest, insurance or tangible assets can make a substantial difference to the future of our church. The BUILDING FUND finances current repairs and restoration work while the HERITAGE FUND ensures that the Church Of Our Lady will be in a position of financial security for future generations. For more information contact our office at 519-824-3951.



PARISH PICNIC ON SEPTEMBER 13TH

We hope to see you, your family and friends, at our 3rd Annual Parish Picnic on September 13th. We'll be at Riverside Park starting with an outdoor Mass beginning at 1:00p.m., followed by Face painting, Bocci Tournament, also Euchre Tournament, Music, Baseball Game, BBQ and a Corn Roast and much, much more. Tickets are still the same price, \$5.00 per person and children under 5 are free. Tickets will be available starting August 16th after each of the weekend masses. See you there!

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in our parish Saturday, November 14th for those in grade 8 this Fall. Baptismal certificates are required at the time of registration in September so please obtain one over the summer.

CWL TWILIGHT RETREAT

All women of the parish are invited to attend a Twilight Retreat on Tuesday, Sept. 15th. This annual spiritual event will begin at 5:30p.m. and will be conducted by Most Rev. Peter Hundt, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto and former Provincial Chaplain for the CWL. Tickets are \$10 each and will be on sale after all the Masses on the weekends of August 23rd and 30th. Mass and dinner are included in the Retreat. Call 519-824-2587 for tickets or information.

OTHER NEWS

THEOLOGY OF THE BODY CONFERENCE

The Theology of the Body Conference: Discovering the Master Plan for Your Life Conference - presented by Christopher West, October 16th 7-9p.m. and October 17th from 9-4:30p.m. at the Canadian Christian College, 50 Gervais Drive, Toronto (Don Mills Road & Eglinton Avenue). Registration is \$40.00. E-mail stbreg@gmail.com or call 1-416-481-5465 or see www.qodsexandthmeaningoflife.com.

THE BENEDICT XVI COMMUNIO STUDY CIRCLE

The Benedict XVI Communio Study Circle is an ecumenical group that gathers to study and reflect on theological writings. Please join us for a symposium on Henri de Lubac's book: Catholicism: Christ and the Common Destiny of Man Sunday, August 30th, 2-4:30p.m. at St. John's Church, Victoria Road. For more information call 519-745-5163 or 519-923-0454.

JUST A THOUGHT!

- I've learned that brushing my child's hair is one of life's greatest pleasures (age 29)
- I've learned that you can make someone's day by simply sending them a little card (age 44)
- I've learned that life sometimes gives you a second chance (age 62)
- I've learned that the best way to forget your own problems is to help someone else solve theirs (age 64)

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

The build is underway. Workdays are Tuesday to Saturday from 7:30a.m. to 4:30p.m. at #3 and #5 Johnston Street. If you are available to volunteer any day please come out and build together. It is also important that you go through the safety procedures prior to working. For more information and to volunteer, please call John at 519-767-9752.

GUELPH CYO BASKETBALL

Guelph CYO Basketball offers a house league program for boys and girls age 5-16. This recreational league has celebrated over 20 years of fun and fitness for our youth in Guelph. Our Saturday program runs from September to February and promotes positive self-image as well as basic skill development, exposure to competition, fair play and good sportsmanship. CYO offers an All Star program as well for more competitive play. Please visit our website at www.guelphcyobasketball.ca for registration details or call Martin Valeriotte at 519-836-6093.

IGNATIUS JESUIT CENTRE RETREAT

On August 30th the Ignatius Jesuit Centre invites you to a Retreat for People Living with or Recovering from Cancer. Companions are welcome to attend if desired. Cost is \$60 per person (includes retreat program, lunch and dinner), with an option to stay overnight for an additional \$50 (continental breakfast). To register call 519-824-1250 ext. 266 or visit www.ignatiusguelph.ca