

 **MASSES OF THE WEEK**

Monday, August 9 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Frances Walinga, Donna Siville.

Tuesday, August 10 - Feast: St. Lawrence
7:30a.m. - Father Ron Synnott, Joseph Bao Tran.

Wednesday, August 11 - Feast: St. Clare
7:30a.m. - Intentions of Aloisia Zurcher, Peter Vasko.

Thursday, August 12 - Ferial: Weekday
7:00p.m. - Tony Manera, Winnie Stortz.

Friday, August 13 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Maria Bizjak, Francesca Calenda.

Saturday, August 14 - Feast: St. Maximilian Kolbe
5:15p.m. - F. Bruder & All Souls in Purgatory, Dennis Grove, Alexander Carruthers.
Intentions of Robin & Jean Fishburn.

Sunday, August 15 - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$11, 977.63 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's many blessings.

†We offer our congratulations to Shane Pecore and Alison Hallmann on the recent celebration of their marriage.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN MISSION APPEAL

Today we will welcome Father Eamon Kavanagh CSSR who will preach on behalf of the Irish/Brazilian Missions as part of our Annual Diocesan Mission Appeal. There are forty-five Redemptorists working in the Amazon basin and the North-East of Brazil, one of the poorest places in the world. The main thrust of their mission is to the poor and underprivileged, the most abandoned, namely serving large shanty town parishes, working with AIDS victims, street children, prisoners, land reform and addressing serious social injustices. They strive to be a voice for the voiceless. Envelopes may be found in your bulletin this weekend and may be returned next week. ALL CHEQUES SHOULD BE MADE OUT TO OUR LADY IMMACULATE PARISH.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: "IN THE IMAGE OF GOD"

God created the earth first, prepared it and beautified it. Then He created man, the crown and final masterpiece. From all eternity the Three Divine Persons decided, "Let us make man in our own image, in the likeness of ourselves, and let them be masters of the fish of the sea, the birds of heaven, the cattle, and all the wild beasts and all the reptiles, that crawl upon the earth." (Gen 1:26). Then when the time had come, on the sixth day, "God created man in the image of Himself, in the image of God. He created him, male and female He created them." (Gen 1:27). Since Adam was made to show the power, wisdom and beauty of God, his body was the most perfect thing in visible creation. "God fashioned man of dust from the soil. Then He breathed into his nostrils a breath of life and thus man became a living being" (Gen 2:7). Therefore, man's soul is created directly by God. Every human body since Adam and Eve is produced by the God-given powers of parents, but the soul is created directly by God at the very moment of conception. The presence of the soul gives the body life and when the soul departs, the body becomes lifeless and gradually returns to dust. Adam's soul and his descendants' souls are spiritual. A spiritual soul has neither length, nor depth, nor breadth; it has neither shape, nor parts; it cannot be seen by the eyes or touched by the hands or known by any of the senses. Adam's soul was by nature immortal. This means that the human soul can never decompose, living through all eternity.

As required by Canon Law his Excellency Bishop Anthony Tonnos has submitted his resignation upon reaching the retirement age of 75 on August 1st. Bishop Tonnos has served our Diocese well for the past twenty-six years. It is expected that our Holy Father will ask him to stay on until a new bishop is appointed.

PARISH NEWS

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

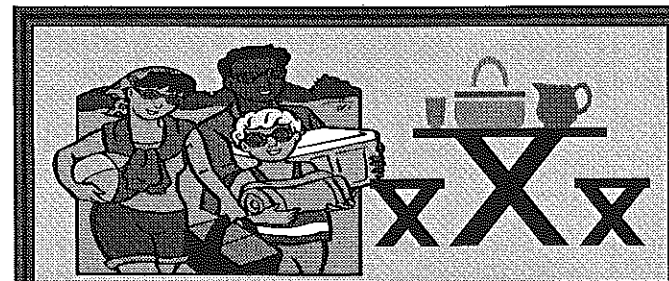
The Sacrament of Confirmation (grade 8) will be celebrated in November in our parish. All candidates need to have a baptismal certificate. If you cannot find yours please arrange to obtain a new copy over the summer. Registration for Confirmation will take place in September.

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES:

Catechetical Correspondence Courses: Register NOW for Family and Faith Development in the Home! Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School. These programs are intended for children not currently receiving religious instruction in a Catholic School and can be beneficial to families wishing to engage in faith development as well. Contact the parish office for more information and for registration forms.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or know someone who would like to? The RCIA is a process in which men and women are guided on their journey as they awaken in faith and are introduced to the Catholic way of life. This process which will begin in the fall is for adults who have never been baptized or are baptized in another Christian faith or who have never completed sacramental initiation and are seeking entrance into the Roman Catholic Church. If you are interested please register at the parish office. For further information contact Father Noon or Catherine Faulds at 1-905-702-0814 or e-mail



PARISH PICNIC ON SEPTEMBER 12th

Mark your calendars and prepare to join in our 4th Annual Parish Picnic, Sunday, September 12th at Riverside Park.

OurLady.RCIA@bell.net

OTHER NEWS

PROJECT RACHEL

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 1-905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

STEWARDSHIP:

*GRATITUDE is more than an attitude.
GRATITUDE is a way of life!*

NEWS FROM LOYOLA

Eight Day Directed Retreats August 1-9; 11-19; 21-29. Individually directed in an environment of silence. See www.loyolahouse.com to register.

DIOCESAN FAMILY CONFERENCE

October 15th-17th (Friday evening through to 11a.m. Sunday Mass) at the Hamilton Convention Centre. International speakers on relationships, family issues, grief and spirituality - something for everyone, married or not, widowed, young or old. Activity streams for children of all ages and youth. Cost is \$95 for adults (\$105 after August 15th). Accommodations at the Sheridan Hotel. Pick up a brochure at the tower entrance or call 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2234.

FOUNDATIONS FOR MINISTRY PROGRAM

The Foundations for Ministry Program is a course designed to offer lay Catholics the opportunity to learn more about the foundations of our Catholic faith, Church history, scripture, morality, sacraments and prayer. This foundation is useful to parishioners who serve in a variety of ministries. The course will be offered in Hamilton and Waterloo starting September 2010. Contact Josie at the Office for Ministry, Family and Religious Education at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2241 or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information or registration.

VOCATION VIEW:

*Where is your treasure? Where is your heart?
Have you considered that God's will is your treasure for you? Come, follow Him.*

SUNDAY SMILE!

Sign in a Church Parking Lot: "We forgive those who trespass against us, but they will be towed away just the same."