



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, February 15 - Ferial: Weekday
9:00a.m. - Steven Markovinovic, Clara Klip.

Tuesday, February 16 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Wayne Tovell, Nick Clip.

Wednesday, February 17 - Ash Wednesday
7:30a.m. - Theresa Griffin
12:10p.m. - Isiodro Cabling
7:00p.m. Fred Seifried

Thursday, February 18 - Ferial: Weekday
12:10p.m. - Joanne Heydon, Susan King Rebellati.

Friday, February 19 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Intentions of Massimo Marcone, Intentions
of Audrey Jones & Sister Elizabeth.
7:00p.m. - Mary Macerollo

Saturday, February 20 - Ferial
5:15p.m. - Sherri Heaney, Peter Vasko, Patricia
Lefneski, Marie Rellinger, Eileen Brady.

Sunday, February 21 - First Sunday in Lent
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$8279.25 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's many blessings.

ASH WEDNESDAY

In accordance with Canon Law ASH WEDNESDAY is a day of FAST AND ABSTINENCE. All persons who have completed their 14th year of age are bound by the law of abstinence "NO MEAT." Those who have completed their 18th year are bound by the law of Fast and Abstinence, "NO MEAT AND NO EATING BETWEEN MEALS." Those with health problems may be exempt...

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: LENT 2010

Wednesday, February 17th begins the holy season of LENT, our annual forty day journey with the Lord. Mass will be celebrated with the distribution of ashes at 7:30a.m.; 12:10noon and 7:00p.m. A Para-Liturgy with the distribution of Ashes will be celebrated at St. Paul's School at 9:30a.m. and at St. Michael's School at 10:30a.m. Lent is a time set aside by the church for prayer, fasting and almsgiving in preparation for the great Feast of Easter. During this time we must consciously try to love God and one another more through acts of penance. Lenten penance should be external and social as well as individual and internal. During Lent you are encouraged to build on your own personal faith journey through daily Mass; scripture reading and reflection; daily meditation and examination of conscience; rosary; visits to the Blessed Sacrament; Stations of the Cross; fasting and a sacrificial offering to Share Lent.

Our Lenten Schedule:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - Mass at 7:30a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday - Mass at 12:10p.m.

Friday - Stations of the Cross at 7p.m. followed by Mass

PARISH PRE-LENTEN MISSION

Please come and join us by attending our Parish Pre-Lenten Mission beginning this Sunday, February 14th to Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17th at 7p.m. each evening. Hope and Renewal are two themes we all need to reflect upon from time to time. We welcome Father Steve Vasek OMI with the theme "Lord Show Us The Way"...

PARISH NEWS**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

On Sunday, April 11th at Church of Our Lady, Guelph and Sunday, April 18th at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton Bishop Anthony Tonnos will celebrate Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Masses. Both Masses will begin at 2:00p.m. and are intended for couples married 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years in the year 2010. Couples are invited to attend one of the two Masses, whichever will best accommodate their schedule. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more are allowed 1 guest). To participate please refer to the poster in the tower entrance of the church.

2009 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2009 Income Tax Receipts are available in the alcove behind the altar. Please pick them up and do not lose them.

VOCATION VIEW:

Try not to pray for an easy life; rather, pray to be a strong person. Strong in trust, hope, care and love. Follow Jesus...

COOL SQUAD

Are you between the ages of 9 and 18? Do you enjoy spending time with friends? Do you enjoy art? If so then you should come out to the COOL Squad's art night on February 12 at 6:30p.m. in the music annex. If you have any questions contact Tim O'Brien at ourladyyouthgroup@hotmail.com.

CWL MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues (\$15.00) can be dropped off in the offertory collection at any time. If you do not have a pink offertory envelope, please use any envelope with your name and CWL membership written on the outside of the envelope. You help us help others.

OTHER NEWS**SEPARATED OR DIVORCED?**

Are you separated or divorced? Let us help... LEVEL 1- (Learning to Cope) and LEVEL II - (Accepting the Situation) are self-help programs intended to help separated and divorced persons gain a perspective on their divorce. Topics include: the process of divorce, self-image, stress, anger, guilt, loneliness, forgiveness, trust, singleness and children. Course fee: \$35.00 (Level 1) and \$45.00 (Level II).

When? Tuesday evenings for 11 weeks, Starting March 23rd, 2010 from 7-9p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi, Kitchener (Queen & Westmount Road.) Contact: The Office for Ministry, Family & Religious Education at (905)-528-7988 ext. 2249 or St. Francis Parish (519) 745-7301.

LENTEN REFLECTION ON PRAYER

Please join us at St. John's Church, Guelph, Sunday afternoons from 3:00-4:00p.m. during March (the 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th). We will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with a talk on prayer and conclude with Benediction at 4:00p.m. Confessions will be heard from 3:30-4:00p.m. All are welcome.

SUNDAY SMILE:

The following statements about the Bible were written by grade four children:

- the people who followed the Lord were called the 12 decibels
- the epistles were the wives of the apostles
- one of the opossums was St. Matthew who was also a taximan

PRO-LIFE NEWS:

This spring from February 17th to March 28th our community will be uniting with other cities across North America and around the world for a massive co-ordinated pro-life mobilization - the 40 days for Life. It consists of Prayer and Fasting inviting people of faith to pray for an end to abortion - peaceful vigil standing for life outside the Guelph General Hospital and Community outreach is taking a positive pro-life message to every corner of our city through media efforts, church presentations, petition drives and public visibility. For more information visit www.40daysforlife.com/guelph or call 519-834-6311.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL SUPPORT

It remains important that all Catholic ratepayers are listed as "separate school supporters" on the municipal assessment rolls. This applies to those who own or rent a property in the City of Guelph or County of Wellington. You need to do so each time you move. Otherwise the listing will revert back to "public school supporter" by default. Please call 519-821-4600 for verification of your status if you require clarity. Thank you for your continuing support of Catholic Education with the Wellington Catholic District School Board.

EASTER TRIDUUM

Anyone interested in learning more about the rites of the Easter Triduum are invited to a workshop at St. Anne Parish, 268 East Ave., Kitchener Saturday, February 20th from 9:30a.m. to 3:00p.m. Cost \$10 includes lunch. Register by February 20th to liturgy@hamiltondiocese.com or phone 1-905-528-7988 or Fax 1-905-528-1088.

WEEKEND OF VOCATION DISCERNMENT:

St. Peter's Seminary, London (Feb. 26-28th) is an opportunity for men considering a vocation to the diocesan priesthood reflecting on the call of God in their lives. This will also provide an opportunity to immerse themselves in seminary life and interact with seminarians who can witness from their personal experience. If interested contact www.vocationinfo.ca.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR HAITI VICTIMS

Notre Dame Parish, 132 Blake St., Hamilton will be hosting a Memorial Mass for the victims of the earthquake in Haiti Saturday, February 13th at 11:00a.m. His Excellency the Most Reverend Anthony F. Tonnos, D.D. will be the celebrant. A reception will follow Mass. All are invited.