

MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, January 2 - Feast: St. Basil & St. Gregory
7:30a.m. - Intentions of Jackie Mitchell, Intentions of Joseph Grierson.

Tuesday, January 3 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Lourene Scott, Isabel, Bertha & William Weiler, Earl Cardow.

Wednesday, January 4 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Raymond P. Fandy, Deceased Members of the Darmon Family.

Thursday, January 5 - Ferial: Weekday
7:00p.m. - Frances Walinga, Harry Kieswetter.

Friday, January 6 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Margaret Goetz, Guy Soligo.

Saturday, January 7 - Feast: St. André Bessette
5:15p.m. - Santina Artuso, Deceased Members of the Zatta & Martini Families, Nicola Stefano, William Barrett & the Deceased Members of the Barrett.

Sunday, January 8 - Feast: Epiphany of the Lord
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

† We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family of Rita Berno who was called to the glory of the resurrection. May she and all our deceased loved ones rest in peace.

† We offer our prayers and congratulations to Kyle Tossel and Julie Reia and to Victor Howe and Bette Hull on the recent celebration of their marriages.

PARISH NEWS

2012 PARISH ENVELOPES

Today we invite you to pick up your church envelopes for 2012. If you do not find your envelopes and wish a package please sign the sheet provided with your name and address and phone number. If you have moved during the past year be sure to let the office know so that you will receive a receipt for 2011. Your financial support is a sign of good stewardship and is much appreciated as together we respond to the financial welfare of our parish community.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: "DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU"

Consistent obedience is essential to our spiritual growth of our families. Eternal life with God is our great hope and aspiration. We pray, "Father in heaven, we call upon your Holy Spirit during this holy season to free us from all resentment and lack of forgiveness. Place within us your own mercy and compassion, increase our faith and devotion to your Holy Son, Jesus Christ. We pledge our loyalty and obedience to Him and want Him to be Lord of our lives and of our families. We promise that we will renew our faith through prayer and scripture reading. We pledge our love to you and to each other".

Some questions to ponder during 2012

*-what are some ways you can treasure God's word?
-will you set aside time for daily prayer during this year?*

-are you willing to forgive any grudges or resentments?

-do you seek peace in your own life and in your home?

-how will I grow in faithfulness and holiness this new year?

Like Mary may we ponder in our hearts the generosity of God to us and strive to do whatever He tells us.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE IN OUR PARISH FAMILY!!



SUNDAY SMILE!

A six year old asked where his grandma lived. "Oh, he said, she lives at the airport and when we want her we just go and get her. Then, when we are done having her visit, we take her back to the airport".

RELIGIOUS INFORMATION BOOKLETS

We appreciate greatly the contributions that are left in the donation box for the religious information booklets, newspapers and magazines available at the main and tower entrances of the church. Because of your generosity we are able to maintain a supply of publications dealing with relevant topics. Sheila Timson has been faithfully ordering and looking after our supplies. She is planning on retiring from this position in the new year. Anyone who might be interested in taking on this responsibility please contact Father Noon.

OTHER NEWS

WELLINGTON CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

-Bishop Macdonell Grade 8 Parent Information Meeting, Monday January 16th from 7-8:30pm. All parents of grade 8 students who wish to attend Bishop Macdonell in September 2012 are welcome to attend.

-Temporary Non-Teaching Supervisors at St. James Catholic High School during the indoor/outdoor lunch period from 11:20am to 12:10pm daily. These positions commence February 6th and are paid \$15.00 per hour + 4% vacation pay. Contact Natasha Short, Human Resources Officer Wellington Catholic District School Board.

-Junior and Senior Kindergarten Registration -Junior Kindergarten eligibility must be four years of age or on or before December 31st, 2012 and Senior Kindergarten must be five years of age on or before December 31st, 2012. Registration takes place at all schools January 30th to Feb 3rd. Please bring - child's birth/baptismal certificate; child's health card/immunization record; custody papers (if applicable); proof of tax support or families new to the system (most recent tax bill). Students currently attending Catholic Junior Kindergarten are not required to register for Senior Kindergarten. For any further information, please call your school.

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA

Many of us do not have the time to go to bible study, adult education classes or to read a lot of books, but we can keep learning and growing in our faith wherever we are - at home, in the car or while out for a walk. In the tower entrance you will find a display of CDs with 16 different titles to choose from and we ask for a \$5 donation per CD and you may place your donation in the box by the book rack or in the collection.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton has a website feature for families and friends to celebrate the lives of their loved ones. "Life Stories" allows a person to write about a loved one and have the short story posted on the website. Submissions may include both biographical information and anecdotes. Submissions are welcome from the families and friends of individuals who are interred at one of the Catholic cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton. To submit a story, please visit www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca and click on "Life Stories" or call 1-905-522-7727.

STEWARDSHIP:

The Blessed Virgin Mary was the model steward with her unqualified. "Yes" and complete trust in God's will. When I put God first in my life, everything falls into peace.

FAMILY TIP:

As a family, take some time after the events of Christmas (Mass, gift-giving, extended family gatherings) to quietly reflect on these precious concepts in your own lives. Talk about the hope that our faith provides us in the everyday trails of life; discuss what it means to have true inner peace and our call as Catholics to reconcile our differences with those closest to us; express your joy in that comes from being part of God's family; speak to each other of God's deep love for us, exemplified by sending His Son to die for our sins and to unite us with Him in eternity, then express how you show love each day to those in your family. The Christmas and New Year season is a time to create moments that draw us together as family; conversations deep in meaning will certainly do just that!

TIME FOR REFLECTION AND PRAYER

All interested women are invited to join the Sisters of St. Joseph at their Motherhouse, 575 Northcliffe Avenue Hamilton, on Saturday January 14th from 9:30am to 3:00pm. The day will include Mass, a short talk on prayer, time for reflection and prayer and lunch. Suggested contribution \$20.00. Please call 1-905-528-0138 to register.

