



Monday, February 1 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Intentions of Loreen & Arnold Bolliger.

Tuesday, February 2 - Feast: Presentation of the Lord
7:30a.m. - Evelyn Flaherty, Elia Favaro.

Wednesday, February 3 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Intentions of Helen Meznarich, Intentions of Sandra Van Twest.

Thursday, February 4 - Ferial: Weekday
7:00p.m.- Sally Steffler, Larry Kelly.

Friday, February 5 - Feast: St. Agatha
7:30a.m. - Intentions of Lola Spinazze, Intentions of Gloria Gandour.

Saturday, February 6 - Feast: St. Paul Miki
5:15p.m. - Larry Hershberger, Lloyd Smith, Bonifacio Tayag, Marilynn Kane. Intentions of Karol Stortz & Family.

Sunday, February 7 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$8016.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's many blessings.

We welcome into our Catholic Faith Family through Water and the Holy Spirit in Baptism: Alexander Jaxson Chappel; Kyle William Ford; Payton Noelle Groenendyk; and Calum John McLeod. We congratulate their families.

PARISH PRE-LENTEN MISSION

Plan to attend our Parish Pre-Lenten Mission February 14th to 17th at 7:00p.m. 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."

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: WHY GO TO CHURCH

The following was sent to me and I pass it on to you.

If you are spiritually alive you are going to love this. If you are spiritually dead, you won't want to read it. If you are spiritually curious, there is still hope.

A Church goer wrote to the editor of a newspaper and complained that it made no sense to him to go to church every Sunday. "I've gone for thirty years now, he wrote, and in that time, I have heard some 3,000 sermons but for the life of me, I cannot remember a single one of them. So I think I'm wasting my time and the pastors are wasting theirs by giving sermons at all. "This started a real controversy in the "Letter to the Editor" column, much to the delight of the editor. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher: "I've been married for thirty years now. In that time my wife has cooked more than 32,000 meals. But for the life of me, I cannot recall the entire menu for a single one of those meals. But I do know this... they all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me these meals, I would probably be physically dead today. Likewise, if I had not gone to church for nourishment, I would be spiritually dead today! When you are down to nothing, God is up to something. Faith sees the invisible, believes the incredible and receives the impossible. Thank God for our physical and spiritual nourishment."

PARISH NEWS

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.

REMINDER:

When you are admitted to the hospital, please inform the attendant that you are a Catholic and a member of Church Of Our Lady Parish otherwise we do not know you are in the hospital. Communion is brought to the hospital weekly. If you wish, please call the parish office.

ANNUAL SEMINARY EDUCATION COLLECTION

The Annual Seminary Education Collection will take place next weekend February 7th. A seminarian is someone who is studying and preparing to be a priest in the Diocese of Hamilton. Let us also pray for them and for more vocations to serve our church.

NEW TO THE PARISH

If you have recently moved to our parish we warmly welcome you. Do introduce yourself to Father Noon or Sister Elaine and pick up a registration form in the book rack near the main entrance, or ask an usher or a greeter for one. It is important the parishioners be properly registered when it comes to sacramental preparation and pastoral reference letters. Many times people need a reference but if you are not registered we do not have you on our parish files as a parishioner.

HAITI RELIEF:

All donations in support of Haiti Relief will be forwarded to the Diocese. Please put your name and envelope number on a plain envelope with your donation and write Haiti Relief and if you wish it to go to Development & Peace or the Sisters of St. Joseph. All cheques must be made out to Church of Our Lady Parish. We will accept donations until February 5th. Fundraising Evening of Prayer and Sacred Music in support of Haiti Sunday, Jan. 31st at 7:30p.m. in Holy Rosary Church, Guelph and Sunday, Feb. 7th at 7:30p.m. in St. John Church, Arthur. All are welcome.

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

WEEKEND OF VOCATION DISCERNMENT:

St. Augustine Seminary, Toronto will host a weekend (Feb. 5th - 7th) and St. Peter's Seminary, London (Feb. 26-28th) as 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.

VALENTINE SUPPER

Maryhill CWL and K of C Valentine Supper with ham and scalloped potatoes with all the fixings and a flower for the ladies. At Maryhill Heritage Community Centre Saturday, Feb. 13th for 5:30 and 7:00p.m. Admission \$14 for adults and children, \$7 under 5-free. Contact Mike at 519-648-3394 or Mary at 519-822-9287.

VOCATION VIEW:

God tells us, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you were born I dedicated you." Always listen to an old friend.

HOLY ROSARY PARISH NURSE

Holy Rosary Parish is looking for a Parish Nurse. If you are interested please see the bulletin board at the Tower Entrance. Applications are open until the end of January.

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.

KAIROS COMMUNITY FORUM:

Changing Government Priorities: The Human Cost. Friday, Feb. 5th 7:30p.m. at Conrad Grebel University College Great Hall Westmount Rd., Waterloo. A joint forum about the federal government's decision to end a 35 year relationship with KAIROS .

SUNDAY SMILE:

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

- David was a Hebrew king skilled at playing the liar. He fought with the Finkelsteins, a race of people who lived in Biblical times
- Solomon, one of David's sons had 300 wives