



Monday, March 9 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Mary Lou McClenaghan, Arthur Petrie.

Tuesday, March 10 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Father Ron Synnott, David Kraft.
12:10p.m. - Maria Sacco.

Wednesday, March 11- Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. -Ethel Murphy, Susan King.

Thursday, March 12 - Ferial: Weekday
12:10p.m. - Louis Macerollo, Mary Macerollo.

Friday, March 13 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Esther Vasey.
7:00p.m. - Intentions of Gloria Gandour.

Saturday, March 14 - Ferial
5:15p.m. - Olivo & Maria Bendo, Mario Milani,
Joseph Koperski,
Intentions of Paul & Jakki Jeffs 40th Wedding
Anniversary.

Sunday, March 15 - Third Sunday in Lent
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Sunday Offering: \$14,212.50

This figure includes the weekly & monthly direct deposits from a number of our parish families.

Banns of Marriage:

1/ James Noble & Sandra Frances Cassolato

† We offer our prayers and sympathy to the families of Luigi Pellegrini, Catherine Eller, Lionel O'Connell and Sally Steffler who were called to the glory of eternal life. May they and all our deceased loved ones rest in the peace of Christ.

† We offer our congratulations and prayers to Michael McCuen and Mary Beth Tersigni on the recent celebration of their marriage.

PASTOR'S DESK: "LENT 2009"

Lent is a time set aside by the church for prayer, fasting and almsgiving in preparation for the great Feast of Easter. You have been given an opportunity to participate in our Lenten Prayer Exchange to pray for a family or individual in our Parish. During Lent you are encouraged to build on your own personal faith journey through daily Mass, scripture reading and reflection; attending our Bible study on St. Mark; daily meditation and examination of conscience; rosary; visits to the Blessed Sacrament; Stations of the Cross; fasting and a sacrificial offering to Share Lent; visiting a shut-in; calling a friend or family member you have not spoken to for some time; collecting food for the needy; helping at the Drop-In-Centre; reconciling a hurt relationship so that God's grace may work through your prayers; celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. May Lent 2009 truly be a spiritually enriching journey for you.

Our Lenten Schedule:

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

Tuesday and Thursday - Mass at 12:10noon

Friday Stations of the Cross followed by Mass at 7:00p.m.

SUNDAY SMILE!

"Oh Mrs. Carey, my husband went out six months ago for a loaf of bread and he never came back. What should I do? Well, since you asked me, I'd say not to wait anymore. Send one of the children down for another one."

PARISH NEWS

LENTEN ECUMENICAL HYMN SING

Lenten Ecumenical Hymn Sing, Sunday, March 29th from 1:30pm- 4:30pm at Church of Our Lady with Guelph Church Choirs. Free will offering.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

We remind all couples who have not yet registered for our March Marriage Preparation Course to please do so as soon as possible. The date has been changed to March 27th and 28th.

CWL NEWS:

- General Meeting to be held Tuesday, March 10th at 7:00p.m. in our church basement. Come join the fun and sign up for our various committees. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Sister Helen Cameron I.B.V.M. We urgently request you pay your Membership dues of \$15.00, if you have not done so already. We thank all of our members for your continued support.

-Church of Our Lady welcomes all families and friends to our fantastic St. Patrick's Tea and Bazaar Sunday, March 15th in our Church Hall from noon to 3:30p.m. Bazaar tables will be open after the 9:00am Mass. Experience our light Tea Lunch (tea, coffee, delicate sandwiches, desserts); enjoy our bake sale, children's tables, crafts, food hamper draw, jewelry boutique, penny sale, plant table, silent auction, touch and take and more! Tea room tickets are \$6.00. Festivity, fun, friendship and excitement for all.

-donations are once again needed for our Tea and Bazaar. Your donation of items for the plant sale, penny sale, silent auction, jewelry sale, hamper draw and bake sale are once again requested. Please drop them off at the church basement the weekend of the Tea on Friday from 10:00a.m. until 3:00p.m. or Saturday morning from 10:00a.m. until noon. Thank you for your contributions which always make this event a huge success.

LENTEN SERIES FOR LIFE

Lenten Series for Life will be held at Sacred Heart Church at 7:00p.m. Wednesday, March 11th and 18th. This year we will pray the Stations of the Cross for Life based on those celebrated by Pope John Paul II on Good Friday 1991...

TRIP TO THE HOLY LAND

Father Ken Miskiewicz will be traveling to the Holy Land, October 13th to the 23rd. There will be an information meeting Wednesday, March 18th at 7:30p.m. in St. Joseph Church Hall, Guelph. All are welcome.

END SLAVERY NOW!

End Slavery Now! Slavery? Yes there are as many as 27 million human beings enslaved right this second. Join the campaign to end slavery in our lifetime. We invite you to explore solutions with David Bastone, author of "Not For Sale" and founder of the Not for Sale Campaign Monday, March 16th, 7-9p.m. at Notre Dame Motherhouse, 1921 Snake Road, Waterdown. Sign in begins at 6:30pm. To preregister or for more information contact Theresa by e-mail tn.ssnd@cogeco.net or phone 1-905-689-6344 ext. 143.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th or 60+, Wedding Anniversary in the year 2009? On April 19th at 2:00p.m., Bishop Anthony Tonnos will celebrate a Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton. (Space allows room for anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more are allowed 1 guest.) Please register by March 27th. Details available on the poster at the tower entrance bulletin board.

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

Lenten Parish Mission at St. John's Church, Guelph March 7th to 10th. Father Kevin Cull, Vocation Director of the Diocese of Hamilton will reflect on St. Paul. Holy Hour and Benediction Sunday evening. Monday and Tuesday at 7p.m. Mass along with the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

RETRouvaille

A Lifeline for Marriage: RETROUVAILLE helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It is designed to provide the tools to help get your marriage back on track. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples get their marriage back on track. For confidential information about or to register for the Spring program beginning with a weekend on March 27th - 29th please call 1-905-664-5212 or e-mail: retrouvaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

Everyday we make choices about how we will respond in the world in which we live. We are careful to keep control and act in a certain manner when we are at work and out in public. Today make the decision to act lovingly toward your spouse, the person with whom you are sharing your life. Decide to say something nice; overlook an annoying habit; make a point of complimenting them on something nice they do for you; recognize their love for you; share a smile or a touch; offer to take a moment to hear about their day. It is the small things that add up to great feelings of love. What choice will you make today? (Office for Family Ministry 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2250).

STEWARDSHIP LENTEN GOAL:

To be emptied of pride, envy, jealousy, anger, selfishness and greed. To be filled with humility, charity, faith, patience, peace, joy, surrender and gratitude.

OTHER NEWS

GUELPH RIGHT TO LIFE

Guelph & Area Right to Life "Carrying the Flame" student conference, April 3rd and 4th at the Guelph Bible Conference Centre. Tickets \$35.00 early bird (includes meals) & \$45.00 after March 15th.

SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

Are you Separated or Divorced? The Church Cares! Level 1 "Learning to Cope" is a self-help program 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 and growth. Course fee is \$35. Level Two "Accepting the Situation" is a self-help program intended to help a person understand the process of ending a marriage relationship. Topics include letting go, self-concept, grief, anger, friendship, trust, singleness and children Course fee is \$45. Both programs are held Tuesday evenings for 12 weeks starting March 24th 7-9p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Queen & Westmount Rds., Kitchener. To register call 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or 1-519-745-7301.

PERMANENT DIACONATE

The Permanent Diaconate is an ordained ministry of service within the Roman Catholic Church. Men, married or single, ages 31 to 60 years are eligible to apply. It requires a great commitment of time and energy on the part of the candidate and if married, of his family. As with all vocations, the Permanent Diaconate is a call from God and for those whom He calls, and for the Church that they are called to serve, it is a great blessing. For further information speak to your pastor or contact the Office of Permanent Diaconate, Diocese of Hamilton, 700 King St.W., Hamilton, ON, L8P 1C7 or telephone 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2258 or fax 1-905-518-1088 or E-mail diaconate@hamiltondiocese.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus are looking for new members. Can you spare 15 hours per year? Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month. For further information call Peter Brazolot, Grand Knight, at 519-823-6722.