

 **MASSES OF THE WEEK**

Monday, March 21 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Intentions of Reverend Dennis J. Noon, Margeret Kleinveld & Deceased Members of the Kleinveld Family.

Tuesday, March 22 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - William Doucette.
 Intentions of Reina Favero & Family.
12:10p.m. - Helena Rybaczek, Apolonia Rybaczek.

Wednesday, March 23 - Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. - Mike Campagnaro,
 Walter Wojnarowski.

Thursday, March 24 - Ferial: Weekday
12:10p.m. - Richard Kane, Mary Macerollo.

Friday, March 25 - Feast: The Annunciation of the Lord
7:30a.m. - Maria Semlak, Frank Kocher.
7:00p.m. - Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Illerbrun & Deceased Members of the Illerbrun Family.

Saturday, March 26 - Ferial
5:15p.m. - Caterina Alessio, Earl Cardow,
 Albert Lucchetta, Helen Hanna,
 Sr. Lorraine Collins.

Sunday, March 27 - Third Sunday in Lent
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$8024.55 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's many blessings.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: LENT 2011

The perennial problem in families seems to be - how can children best understand the forty days of Lent? How can they learn the real meaning of renewal and reconciliation, penance and prayer, fasting and almsgiving? The answer, of course, is by experiencing these facets of our faith within the family. Children learn the abstract realities of renewal and reconciliation by the way their parents live those realities. Lent is a perfect time to show our children how to live those aspects - prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. We would do well during Lent to rediscover and retreat ourselves and our families to these age old disciplines in refreshing new ways.

Some suggestions for Lent: daily Mass; Sacrament of Confession; Scripture reading and meditation; rosary; visits to the Blessed Sacrament (Adoration on Tuesdays from 1-5p.m.); praying for world peace and other parishioners; a sacrificial offering to Share Lent; Stations of the Cross and Mass Friday evening at 7p.m.

Stewardship: Giving of our time, talent and treasure mainly involves a change of attitude about giving. It is important to think in terms of giving in gratitude to God, of considering how blessed we are, of using our gifts and talents for the good of others.

SHARE LENT COLLECTION

The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace is inspired by the values of the Gospel, particularly "the preferential option for the poor." At the Vatican Council II the bishops of Africa, Asia and Latin America conveyed to the other bishops the harsh realities of poverty and underdevelopment in the southern continents. At this time, our Canadian bishops became deeply aware of our responsibility to work together as a universal church to end these injustices. Canadians have a long and commendable history of being charitable - feeding the hungry, clothing the naked and sheltering the homeless. Through Development and Peace we have learned the importance of social justice in helping our brothers and sisters in Christ. Please be generous to our Share Lent Collection April 9th/10th.

PARISH NEWS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

There will be a breakfast in the Church Hall Sunday, April 3rd following the 9a.m. & 11a.m. Masses put on by the Knights of Columbus. Hot and cold menu, buffet style. Come and enjoy with fellow parishioners. Free will offering.

CWL NEWS:

Church Of Our Lady welcomes all families and friends to our fantastic annual Spring Tea and Bazaar to be held March 27th in our church hall from noon to 3:30p.m. Bazaar tables will be open after our 9a.m. Mass. Experience our light Tea lunch (tea, coffee, delicate sandwiches, desserts); enjoy our bake sale; children's table; craft table; food hamper draw; jewelry boutique; penny sale; silent auction; touch and take and more! Tea room tickets are \$6.00. Children under 12 \$3. Festivity, fun, friendship and excitement for all.

CONTEMPORARY CHOIR

Our Contemporary Choir which sings on alternating Saturdays at the 5:15p.m. Mass is now rehearsing on Tuesday evenings in the church at 7:30p.m. We are seeking instrumentalists and new vocalists to join our group. Please feel free to attend weekly rehearsals.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

A Marriage Preparation Course will be offered in our parish April 1st and 2nd. Please register as soon as possible.

OTHER NEWS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RIGHT TO LIFE MASS

The annual Knights of Columbus Right to Life Mass will be celebrated Friday, March 25th at 7p.m. at Holy Rosary Church with Bishop Ustrzycki. All are welcome to attend.

JUST A THOUGHT!:
Often when we lose hope and think this is the end, God smiles from above and says, "Relax, it's just a bend, not the end."

PARENTING TIP FOR MARCH:

Lent is a perfect time to journey toward Easter as a family. Spend time together each day in prayer and reflection and decide together how to best use your family resources to give to others. Your children's spiritual journey will be enhanced by your presence and guidance. Office for Family Ministry (1-905-528-7988 ext. 2205).

DISCOVERING GOD IN MY LIFE

St. Ignatius Retreat Centre offers "Discovering God in My Life Story" March 22nd & 29th with Sister Margaret Kane CSJ. Cost is \$25 per session. You are invited to participate in one or more of the three evenings of prayer to discover and appreciate God's presence and activity throughout your life story.

FATHER LLOYD RYAN

John Perdue, a seminarian at St. Augustine's Seminary is collecting information for a Masters thesis project on Father Lloyd Ryan who served as a Pastor at Church of Our Lady 1969 until 1979. Parishioners willing to share any information they have may contact John at St. Augustine Seminary, 2661 Kingston Rd., Scarborough, ON, N1M 1M3 or by e-mail at johnperdue@trentu.ca.

8TH ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

On Wednesday, May 4th the Serra Club of Hamilton will be sponsoring the 8th Annual Celebration of Priesthood and Religious Life Dinner. The purpose of this event is to provide the Roman Catholic community throughout the Diocese an opportunity to show its appreciation to those Priests and Religious celebrating their 50th anniversary and to honour candidates being ordained to the priesthood and two religious sisters making their final profession of vows in 2011. The reception and dinner will be held at Liuna Station, 360 James St.N., Hamilton beginning at 6p.m. Tickets are \$55 each. Contact Ann Dunn at 1-905-383-9772.

Those priests celebrating 50 years of ordination are: Most Rev. A.F. Tonnos; Revs. Ron Hodara; Michael Myroniuk; Joseph Sach; Alex McCauley CR; Gary Palangio CR; Ernest Varosi CR; Raymond Reitzel CR.

Religious Sisters 50 years: Sisters. Barbara Frank SSND; Jeanne Davidson SSND; Miriam Bruder SSND; Rosanne Logel CSJ Final Profession of Vows : Sister Maria Faustina Collette SOLI; Sister Mary Augustine SOLI.

VOCATION VIEW:
The Lord called Abraham to go forth to a new land and begin a new nation. There is no telling what we can become by responding to God's invitation to us.

DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2011? On May 15th at 2p.m. Bishop Douglas Crosby 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 may bring 1 guest). Please register by April 30th. Details available on the poster at the tower entrance bulletin board.

"FROM MOURNING TO DAWN" BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM

The Bereavement Support Team of Holy Rosary Parish invites you to a program for those suffering grief and loss. Will use videos from Dr. Bill Webster who has personal and professional experience of working through pain and grief. The first of six sessions begins March 27th from 2-3:30p.m. in the Community Room. Please pre-register by calling Sister Margaret Graf at 519-823-7827 or Marilyn Gostlin at 519-836-7658.

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY

The 19th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally will be held Saturday, April 9th from 9a.m. to 6p.m. at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Adult Rally \$18 and Youth \$9. Call 1-416-251-4255 or pdkromer@rogers.com. The Guelph Spiritan Prayer Group is arranging for a bus. For bus and rally tickets call Ana Percic at 519-824-8456.

GUELPH RIGHT TO LIFE

Guelph & Area Right to Life and Alliance For Life are pleased to announce the Carrying the Flame Student Leadership Conference beginning Thursday, March 31st at 2p.m. to Friday, April 1st at 5:30p.m. at the Guelph Bible College, Waterloo Ave., Guelph. To register call 519-824-7797 or mail:aflo@mgl.ca.