



## MASSES OF THE WEEK

**Monday, March 15 - Ferial: Weekday**

7:30a.m. - Ricardo Scapin, Margaret & Mary Kleinveld.

**Tuesday, March 16 - Ferial: Weekday**

7:30a.m. - Joyce Thompson, Francesco Paradisi.

12:10p.m. - Sam Valeriote, Mary Finochio.

**Wednesday, March 17 - Ferial: Weekday**

7:30a.m. - Clara Klip, Nick Klip.

**Thursday, March 18 - Ferial: Weekday**

12:10p.m. - Joanne Heydon, Dina Romanello.

**Friday, March 19 - Feast: Saint Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:30a.m. - Margaret Mitchell, Muriel Poirier.

7:00p.m. - Arcangela Ridi, Frank Timson.

**Saturday, March 20 - Ferial**

5:15p.m. - Mary Macerollo, The Deceased Members of the Barbirolo Family, Father Ron Synnott.

**Sunday, March 21 - Fifth Sunday in Lent**

9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

#### Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$7830.75 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's many blessings.

✠ We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family of Audrey Jones of our parish. May she rest in eternal peace.

✠ We welcome into our Catholic Faith Family through Water and the Holy Spirit in Baptism: Trey Lawrence Brohman; Joanne Dale; Jordan Steven Graham; Jaiden Lontok; Justin Lontok; Logan Lontok; Olivia Elizabeth Mudryj; Everett Charles Nagy and Caleb Silvano Waters. We congratulate their families.

## PARISH NEWS

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup>+ Wedding Anniversary in 2010? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for one of two Wedding Anniversary Masses. Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> at Church of Our Lady, Guelph or choose Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Hamilton. Both Masses will take place at 2p.m. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more are allowed 1 guest). Please refer to the poster at the tower entrance in order to register for the celebration. Deadline to register is March 28th.

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: "FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH - MARCH 19<sup>th</sup>"

Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup> is the feast of St. Joseph. We only have limited information about St. Joseph as provided by the Gospels of St. Matthew and St. Luke. Matthew 13:55 implies that Joseph pursued the trade of a carpenter, although the Greek word used in the text could apply equally to a wealthy builder or a poor craftsman. Matthew describes him as a "righteous man," meaning a man of obedience to the Jewish Law. But Matthew's account of the birth of Jesus suggests that Joseph, like his namesake in the Old Testament, the patriarch Joseph, was also a man subject to vivid dreams that dictated his conduct toward Mary and her child. Later, tradition made Joseph an elderly man who was betrothed to the youthful Mary after a heavenly sign singled him out as her predestined spouse; a staff of cherry wood that he carried on a visit to the Jewish temple miraculously blossomed. For this reason, in Christian art, Joseph is often shown carrying a flowering branch. Saint Joseph is the patron saint of the universal church, of workers, the dying and the patron saint of Canada.

#### 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

### MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

A Marriage Preparation Course will be offered in our parish Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. If you have not already registered, please do so immediately. The next course will be in October.

### C.O.O.L. SQUAD

The C.O.O.L. Squad (Youth Group) is having a movie and egg decorating day Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> from 1-4:30p.m. in the Music Annex for any youth in grade 3 or higher. For further information contact Tim O'Brien at [ourladyyouthgroup@hotmail.com](mailto:ourladyyouthgroup@hotmail.com).

## OTHER NEWS

### LENTEN TAIZE RETREAT

Lenten Taize Retreat March 19-21 at Ignatius Retreat Centre. \$245 for residential, \$145 for commuters. The retreat follows the Taize monastic pattern of the day and ends on Sunday at noon with the Eucharist. To register call 519-924-1250 ext. 266 or e-mail [registration@ignatiusquelph.ca](mailto:registration@ignatiusquelph.ca).

### 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 23<sup>rd</sup>, 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.

### 5 WEEK GRIEF PROGRAM

A 5 week program using videos featuring Dr. Bill Webster, Director of the Centre for the Grief Journey, is offered for any who have experienced grief in the past year. There will be time for reflecting, sharing and socializing with those who are traveling the painful journey of loss. This program will begin Sunday, March 14<sup>th</sup> from 1-3p.m. in the Community Room at Holy Rosary Church. Registration is necessary. Call Sister Madeleine Graf at 519-823-7827 or Marilyn Goslin 519-836-7658.

### VOCATION VIEW:

Jesus came to forgive. We all stumble and fall. Are you able to forgive as Jesus did?

### RETROUVAILLE

Stress in Your Marriage? Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Retrouvaille can help. For confidential information about, or to register for the April program beginning with a weekend on April 9th-11th in Niagara Falls call 1-905-664-5212 or e-mail: [retrovaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca](mailto:retrovaille.hamilton@cogeco.ca) or the website at [www.hamiltonretrovaille.com](http://www.hamiltonretrovaille.com).

### ST. MARY PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

St. Mary Parish CWL, Elora invite you to a Lenten Retreat Monday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> beginning with Mass at 7p.m. and Reflections on Family and Prayer Life from 7:30p.m. to 9:30p.m. with Sister Alfreda Kimple, SSND. Please call 519-846-8029 by March 15<sup>th</sup> if planning to attend.

### THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC MISSION

The National Catholic Mission "A God For All Seasons" will be shown on Vision TV March 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> at 9p.m. and repeated at 11p.m. with Father Pat Fitzpatrick C.S.Sp. and Sister Joan Chittister O.S.B.

### STEWARDSHIP:

Find one thing to be grateful for each day. Give a gift without expecting a return. Start a journal of Gratitude. Thank someone with a note. List things about them you like.

### GUELPH AND AREA RIGHT TO LIFE

Guelph & Area Right to Life Student Leadership Conference March 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> at the Guelph Bible Conference Centre, 485 Waterloo Ave. Registration is \$60. Accommodation and Conference \$100. Call 519-836-6311.

### HOLY ROSARY DAY OF PRAYER

Looking for ways to deepen your spirituality, share with others and build a better world? Then come and join us for a day of prayer, information, discussion and fellowship on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup> 9:30a.m.- 4:30p.m. at Holy Rosary Parish, Guelph. Explore the Church teaching Carita in Veritate (Charity and Truth) with Tarcia Gerwing and Father Bill Ryan, SJ. Lunch provided. Contributions of light desserts welcomed. To register call 1-905-522-9618.

### LENTEN REFLECTION ON PRAYER

Please join us at St. John's Church, Guelph Sunday afternoons from 3:00-4:00p.m. during March (the 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>). 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.

### ELORA FESTIVAL SINGERS

We welcome the Elora Festival Singers to Church of Our Lady Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 3p.m. performing Rachmaninoff Vespers. For tickets call 519-946-0331. Cost is \$35.

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CELEBRATION

40 Days For Life Victory Celebration Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup> 7-9p.m. at the Guelph Bible Conference Centre with speaker Abby Johnson, former abortion clinic director. Free will offering.