



Monday, January 16 – Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. – Dante Gano, Gioan Do Quang Bui

Tuesday, January 17 – Feast: St. Anthony
7:30a.m. – Monsignor John Newstead, Gordon Murphy

Wednesday, January 18 – Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. – Filippo Paolillo, Olga Maschio

Thursday, January 19 – Ferial: Weekday
7:00p.m. – Debra Fischer, Ken Patmore

Friday, January 20 – Ferial: Weekday
7:30a.m. – John Richard Synnott, John Huck

Saturday, January 21 – Feast: St. Agnes
5:15p.m. – Charles Sammut, Mariangela Giovinazzo,
Jim Tramble, Betty Schuett, Michael Ferringo

Sunday, January 22 – Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$12,202.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

+We offer our prayers and sympathy to the Congregation of the Resurrection on the death of Father Garfield Palangio CR and to the families of Mary Piscitelli and Chelsea Visentin who were called to eternal life.

PARISH NEWS

4th ANNUAL PARISH PASTA DINNER

Once again the Stewardship Committee is sponsoring a Pasta Dinner Sunday, January 29th in our parish hall. Doors open at 4:45p.m. and dinner served at 5:30p.m. The Menu: pasta with meat sauce; sausages and meat balls; salad; buns; dessert; coffee/tea and water. Gluten Free Pasta option on request. Adults \$15. Children under 10 - \$10.00. Children under age 4 are free. Tickets are now on sale after the weekend Masses or at the Parish Office.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: FAITH FORMATION

The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms states that every Canadian has “freedom of conscience and religion” as well as freedom of thought, belief, opinion and expression. These inalienable rights are also guaranteed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and many national constitutions and international covenants. These rights should be defended when they are violated or threatened. The Second Vatican Council’s Declaration of Religious Freedom, “Dignitatis Humane,” explains that freedom of conscience comes from God. Conscience allows humans to enter into a relationship with God and to freely choose good, which alone will fulfill our ultimate desire. We are drawn to truth not through some external agency or force, but because of the beauty of truth. What is right, good and loving attracts the heart because through truth the heart finds genuine peace and happiness. This theme also found expression in Thomas Aquinas’ reflections on natural law. He said natural law was an inclination towards the common good, which is discerned through reason. There is a natural inclination to live in healthy and well-functioning societies in which everyone is accepted equally regardless of race, gender, sexuality, religion etc. These precepts of natural law are written into the fabric of our soul. They are why we become angry at injustice, human suffering and betrayal. They are the reason why we have a duty to advocate for justice and to make the world with all its ambiguities, conform to God’s will. This is also the basis for common morality which is governed by laws that, while formulated by human beings, are based on divine law. The Second Vatican Council recognized this reality. It declared that a person’s conscience allows them to recognize divine law and therefore “he is bound to follow his conscience faithfully in all his activity” and should never “be prevented from acting according to his conscience, especially in religious matters.”

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Welcome to the first card party of the new year, starting at 7:00p.m. sharp in the Parish Hall Friday, January 27th, 2017. Join us for fun and friendship. Cost is \$4.00. At 9:00p.m. we end the evening with some delicious sandwiches, treats, tea and coffee. No partners needed, just join one of the tables. Also mark your calendars for upcoming dates: February 24th, March 24th and April 28th, 2017. It will be great to see old friends and make some new friends.

OTHER NEWS***SUNDAY SMILE!***

After a church service on Sunday morning, a young boy suddenly announced to his mother that he wanted to be a minister when he grew up. His mother replied, "That's okay with us, but what made you decide that?" The little boy replied, "Well I have to go to church on Sunday anyway, so I figure it would be more fun to stand up and yell, than to sit and listen."

KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS

Come join us to find the keys to Loving Relationships+. a nine week video based program for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better person in all your relationships. This program runs Tuesday evenings from 7-9p.m. starting January 24th at St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Ave. Kitchener. The cost is \$45. For more information contact the Diocesan Family Ministry Office at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

JUST A THOUGHT!

PRAYER: The task ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us.

JUNIOR & SENIOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION AT WELLINGTON CATHOLIC DSB

The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten at our schools beginning January 9th, 2017.

Kindergarten Eligibility:

- must be four years of age on or before December 31, 2017 to attend Junior K.
- must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2017 to attend Senior K.

Please bring: - child's birth certificate

- a parent's or child's baptismal certificate
- proof of tax support for families new to the system (most recent tax bill)

If you have any questions please phone your local Catholic School. We look forward to welcoming you to our Wellington Catholic School family.

VOCATION SEEDS

St. Paul tells us that we have been sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be a holy people. Could it be that you or someone in your family is being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Father Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation of the Diocese of Hamilton at 1-905-528-7988 or email: mking@hamiltondiocese.com.

GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE

Guelph and Area Right to Life will be running a fundraiser once again for their pro-life bus ads. The green mini-bus+boxes will be available next weekend for you to collect change in.

PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION MEETING

Men interested in learning about the Permanent Diaconate Formation program in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to attend an information session February 5th at the Chancery Office Hamilton. To register and for more information contact Deacon Peter Gittens at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2258 or visit diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com.

ST. JEROME CATHOLIC LECTURE SERIES

On Friday, January 20th at 7:30p.m. Sister Scilla Solomon CSJ will speak on Integration, Transformation and Reconciliation: Truth and Reconciliation Commission calls to action and Laudato Si+ (Pope Francis). Lectures are free of charge/ free parking/ wheelchair accessible/ refreshments served.

IGNATIUS LOYOLA HOUSE

- Henry Nouwen: Life & Legacy facilitated by Michael Higgins Feb. 3-5th
- Knowing the Heart of Jesus facilitated by Father Bill Clark SJ Feb. 24th-26th
- Lenten Taize March 3-5th facilitated by Fr. Erik Oland SJ; Fr. Dan Leckman SJ and Tarcia Gerwing
- Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment March 10th to 12th
- Les Miserables: A Lenten Retreat facilitated by Fr. Dan Leckman SJ & Trevor Scott SJ March 17th - 19th
- A Lenten Journey with the Earth March 17th - 19th facilitated by Father Bill Clark SJ; Yvonne Prowse & Tarcia Gerwing
- Cost \$260 live-in; \$160 commuter. For more information contact 519-824-1250 or email loyolhouse.com.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

On Tuesday, January 17th at 7p.m. join us at the Albion Hotel to hear Michael Higgins speak on a theme related to his new book on Jean Vanier Logician of the Heart.+House of Good Cheer will be with us and free food provided.

THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

The International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB PYP) at Sacred Heart Guelph prepares students in a faith-based context to become active, caring, lifelong learners who demonstrate respect and leadership by participating in the world around them. To learn more about the Programme and how your child can be a part of this exciting opportunity visit wellingtoncdsb.ca or attend the Open House on January 17 at 7p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic School, Guelph. Students entering Kindergarten through to Grade 6 are invited to register for the IB Primary Years Programme at their school. Grade 7 and 8 students will also follow the IB framework. Register by 4p.m. on January 31st, 2017. Space is limited.

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