



MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, January 23 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Francesco & Filomena Grasso,
Rita Beauchesne

Tuesday, January 24 – Feast: St. Francis De Sales

7:30a.m. – Guido Longato, Fred Chamberlain

**Wednesday, January 25 – Feast: The Conversion of
St. Paul the Apostle**

7:30a.m. – Gerry Morris, Enza Commisso

Thursday, January 26 – Feast: St. Timothy & St. Titus

7:00p.m. – Amelia Campagnol, Frank & Rita Kocher,
Eusebio Marino

Friday, January 27 – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. ó Jack Weiler, Anton Semlak & Deceased
Family Members,
Intentions of Angie Hoffbauer

Saturday, January 28 – Feast: St. Thomas Aquinas

5:15p.m. – Ernesto Menegotto, Gerald & Yvonne Finora,
Rosina Piacampo

Sunday, January 29 – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$9,627.47 in support of your
parish community in gratitude for God's blessings.

**FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK: FAITH
FORMATION**

The formation of conscience has become a challenge for Catholics. We live in a world of social change, a time of frightening and confusing cultural pluralism and secularism. Unfortunately in many contexts secularity is equated with being anti-God or anti-Catholic. Secularity does not mean anti-religiosity, yet there is often an anti-religious interpretation of the secular state. In many parts of the world the greatest threat of Christianity comes from people of other faiths. In Canada and many Western countries the greatest threat to Catholic values often come from within the Catholic community. Catholics in the public square should be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. But if they are championing anti-Catholic positions and disregarding magisterial teaching, it creates a rupture in the Catholic community that is harmful to the internal life of the faith and to the external evangelization mission of the Church. This is why it is important for Catholic politicians and leaders in education to oppose the creeping religious intolerance and anti-Catholicism that inadvertently or not, is abetted by some Catholics who have an inadequate knowledge of their faith. The formation of the conscience of Catholics and the deepening of Catholic education and faith formation have become an urgent mission so all can proclaim the Gospel faithfully guided by the teaching of the Church.

PARISH NEWS

+We welcome into our Catholic Faith Family through Water and the Holy Spirit in Baptism: Carter James Harrison; Thomas Brian Casagrande; Milo Victor Dodds; Brian David Livingstone; Landon James Giuliano Pigozzo & Isabelle Rose Weir.

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Your 2016 Income Tax Receipts will be available behind the altar in the alcove the weekend of January 28th/29th. A number of people have not picked up their 2017 envelopes they requested. We ask your co-operation.

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.

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!***

A teacher asked her class to draw pictures of their favourite Bible stories. One boy's picture showed four people on an airplane so she asked him what it meant and he said this is the flight into Egypt. The teacher said, "There is Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus. Who is the fourth person?" "Oh that is Pontius – the pilot!" he replied.

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 1-905-582-7988 ext. 2258 or visit diaconateformation@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 will be available this weekend for you to collect change in.

JUST A THOUGHT!

The Will of God never takes you where the Grace of God will not protect you.

HEALING MASS

The Spiritan Prayer Group will be sponsoring a Mass with prayers for healing afterwards, celebrated by Father Eric Jensen on Wednesday, January 25th starting at 8p.m., at Sacred Heart Church, corner of Alice and Huron Streets, Guelph.

LIGHT CHAIN

Join pro-life people across Canada in shining a light on the impact of abortion and remembering lives lost. Come to City Hall, 1 Carden St., January 28th from 7-8p.m.

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.

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.

EUTHANASIA & ASSISTED DYING

Dr. Moira McQueen of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute will offer a presentation and Q & A on the need for conscience rights protection for physicians, healthcare workers and Catholic institutions in light of the legalization of assisted dying and euthanasia. Join us at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton on Sunday, January 29th at 12Noon (following the 11:00a.m. Mass) for this presentation in McNally Hall. a light lunch will be provided.