

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, February 11

No Mass

Tuesday, February 12

7:00 p.m. Margaret Moric
Intention of Desneiges Harrison
Intention of Mary Ann McKay
Anne Marie Foley
Rick Schuster

Wednesday, February 13

8:00 a.m. Joy Luft

Thursday, February 14

8:00 a.m. Aileen Branday/D'Aguilar

Friday, February 15

8:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving

Saturday, February 16

5:00 p.m. Antonio Seminatore
Maria and Vincenzo Romano
Josephine Graci
Ted Blanchett
Bara Belavic
Ed Cerant
Deceased Members of the Wunder Family

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, February 10

Valentine Cupcake Sale

11:45 a.m. Baptism Preparation
5:00 p.m. St. Paul Chung Mass

Wednesday, February 13

7:00 p.m. RCIA
7:00 p.m. Confirmation

Thursday, February 14

7:00 p.m. Confirmation

Friday, February 15

1:00 p.m. CWL Executive Meeting

Saturday, February 16

8:00 a.m. Cursillo
1:00 p.m. Server Training
6:00 p.m. Handicraft Holy Land Christians
Religious Art Sale

Sunday, February 17

Handicraft Holy Land Christians Religious Art Sale
5:00 p.m. St. Paul Chung Mass

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 9, 10, 2019

Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

FROM NOW ON YOU WILL BE CATCHING PEOPLE

In response to the miraculous turning of scarcity into abundance, Peter says to Jesus, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" Peter's response to a real encounter with God, goodness and plenty is to recognize his unworthiness. It is not uncommon when we meet Jesus through the innocence, goodness or vulnerability of others that we, like Peter, can feel inadequate. If not checked, this can evolve into self-hatred, which then can be turned towards others and expressed as anger. Our inability or unwillingness to accept ourselves as imperfect is often the reason why we judge and hurt others.



Jesus does not try to change Peter's sense of himself by offering pretty compliments. He tells Peter he has a mission to bring God's compassion to others and he should get on with it! Jesus knows that the route to self-acceptance is through putting others first. Self-fulfillment is not something we give ourselves; we find it when we give ourselves, in a healthy way, to another. In this way, responding charitably to those in need is not an act of pity but of redemption.

It is hard to see the face of God by looking in the mirror. It is much easier to see the face of God in the countenance of another person who is asking for our time, care and love.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

2019 Ministry Retreat

Many thanks to the members of our parish Volunteer Screening and Ministry Enhancement Committee for their hard work in planning and hosting our annual Ministry Retreat. We were pleased to welcome dozens of parishioners, who give generously of time and talent in a variety of different ways, for a morning of prayer, reflection and fellowship. Shari Guinta of the Catholic Women's League led us with a talk entitled "Our Hands are God's Hands." It truly was a blessed morning, an opportunity to celebrate our volunteers and to refocus ourselves on what matters most in ministry.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Reverend Mark Morley
Tuesday	Reverend Jason Kuntz
Wednesday	Salesians of Don Bosco (S.D.B.)
Thursday	Reverend Martin Mikulski, S.A.C.
Friday	Reverend Bill Trusz
Saturday	Reverend David Reitzel

Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests, religious and lay ministers of the world. Sanctify them. Heal them; guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering religious consecrated life or priesthood. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Father Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email mking@hamiltondiocese.com.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be at the doors of the Church after Masses next weekend, February 16th and 17th, to accept your monetary donations. The monthly meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be held on Monday, February 18th at 7:30 p.m. in the Raphael Room.

THEATRE SHOWS



The Miracle Worker – Based on the extraordinary true story of Helen Keller and her determined teacher Annie Sullivan, this story has moved generations of theatre goers and become a world-renowned classic.

Join us at the St. Jacob Playhouse on Wednesday, May 1st. Bus leaves the parking lot at 1:00 p.m. Ticket and bus \$50.00. Call Joan at 519-893-7429 to reserve.



CALLING ALL VALENTINES

The CWL is having their annual Valentine Cupcake sale after all the Masses this weekend. Treat your favorite Valentine with a homemade treat. Know that your contributions go towards the CWL's donations of First Communion and Confirmation keepsakes for our parish youth. Share the love!

PRAYER SHAWL GATHERING



Wednesday, February 13th from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. in the Marian Room. If you are interested in this ministry we warmly welcome you. If you require more information please contact Joan Schurter at 519-893-7429 or Linda Howey 519-893-2534. Prayer shawls are available through the parish office for those experiencing health and/or emotional issues. The shawls are prayerfully made to wrap those in need with Our Lord's comfort and warmth.



SAVE THE DATE

The CWL ladies will be hosting their annual Spring Card Party on Wednesday, April 24th. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. for lunch at 12 noon. Tickets will become available in the near future. Please watch for future announcements.

CONFIRMATION



This week Bishop Miehm will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with 90 of our young people on February 13th and 14th. Welcome Bishop Miehm! Please keep our Confirmation Candidates in your prayers as they enter this final week of preparation.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

March 1, 2019

"Come - Everything is Ready!"

On Friday, March 1, 2019, we are invited to join in an ecumenical prayer service prepared by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Slovenia. We will hear the concerns of our Slovenian sisters for women on the margins: refugees, migrants, ethnic minorities, the elderly, those suffering the effects of domestic violence, and others. Our neighbors at Kitchener East Presbyterian Church, 10 Zeller Drive, Kitchener will host, and our parish family will be represented in the service which begins at 2:00 p.m. Refreshments will follow. ***Prayer and action are inseparable and both have immeasurable influence on the world. Live your commitment to social justice.*** Please join us in prayer and solidarity on Friday, March 1st.



HANDICRAFT HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS

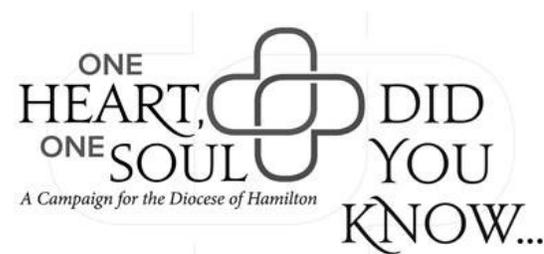
The weekend of February 16th -17th we will have with us a special guest, Sebastien Cardinal's team representing "Handicraft Holy Land Christians", who after the Masses will briefly address the issues and concerns regarding the Christian presence in The Holy Land. Christians in the Holy land graciously ask your support through conscience prayers and the purchase of these special religious art pieces.

Proceeds of the sales generate much needed employment for our Christian brothers and sisters in Bethlehem. Cash, debit and credit cards will be accepted.

May God Bless you for your generosity, for help, and for your prayers." www.HolylandChristians.ca

TAX RECEIPTS

Please note that tax receipts for 2018 will be mailed out the week of February 25th.



The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Answers to a set of Frequently Asked Questions appear in parish bulletins regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at oneheartonesoul.ca.

What are the potential benefits of the campaign's focus on campus ministry?

We know that many Catholic young people who go away to college and university are going to Mass less when they graduate. We want to help college and university students form networks and communities that help them to be comfortable living out their faith. In short, the Diocese wants to support Catholic students during an important time in their lives. Campaign funds will be allocated toward staff and program costs for

chaplaincy programs associated with post-secondary institutions within the Diocese.

How would the hospital ministry goal be beneficial?

Hospital ministry is a way for the Church to be Jesus for us during a difficult time, providing comfort, peace and healing as we tackle big questions. The campaign goal will serve to improve what we already do to make the Church present to a population that might not be present in our parishes. Funds will provide for:

- Pastoral formation and training for those who minister to the sick, whether it be priests, deacons, seminarians or lay hospital ministers.
- Resources for and promotion of palliative care, which aims to relieve the symptoms, pain and stress of a serious illness.

Why the focus on prison ministry and help for migrant workers?

These goals aim to help raise the consciousness of the Diocese at large to these populations and their needs. The Church is theirs, too, and the Church needs to be there for them for the same reason it ministers to all of us. Funds from the campaign will enhance the mission and vision of prison ministry, in particular by formalizing the structure of the ministry in the Diocese. That will include the training of deacons and lay volunteers to help them share the healing and compassion of Jesus with those confined in correctional institutions. For migrant workers, the Diocese is committed to ensuring their spiritual and pastoral care for the period they spend in the area providing labour in the industries in which they work.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" "Here I am," I said, "send me!"

(First Reading)

