

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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January 25, 2015

Mass Intentions this week

Please note: Weekday Masses are celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.

January 29 to February 1 st.

Thursday 2:30 pm (John Noble) Intentions of Theresa Neary

Friday 12:noon † Domenico & Teresa Moiourno, Intentions of Mary

Saturday 5:00 pm † Michael & Julia Hrynkiw, Pearl Butyrn, Intentions of Bill, Int. of Lyle and wife.



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of : Michael Soluk and repose of his soul. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, January 26	Rev. Mark Pisarek, O.M.I.
Tuesday, January 27	Rev. Msgr. Daniel Hinsperger
Wednesday, January 28	Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)
Thursday, January 29	Rev. Jeff Bergsma
Friday, January 30	Rev. Paul Boucher
Saturday, January 31	Rev. Octavio Cidadao

OFFERTORY. Last week was \$3165.50 and our budget expenses for the week \$5,580.00.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be celebrated by Bishop Crosby on *Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.*

Classes will be after the 9:30 am Mass on February 8 and March 8, 2015, in the Hall.

THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST will be celebrated during Sunday Masses on *April 18, 19 and April 25, 26, 2015.*

Parent meeting Feb. 5, at 7 pm in the hall. **Reconciliation Liturgy** is *February 26, or March 12* at 7 pm. Parent Meeting *March 26* at 7 pm in the Hall.

PARISH COFFEE: today, *Sunday, January 25th*. We greatly appreciate any donations of sweets and door prizes.

MEDITATION

I was fortunate in being able to travel to Galilee recently, visiting the locations that Jesus and his disciples must have walked along two thousand years ago. Looking across the massive body of water that is the Sea of Galilee, I saw some fishermen, waiting with their lines in the water. I could just imagine Simon, Andrew, James and John, nets in hand, fishing along these very shores.

Fishermen play a significant role in the ministry of Jesus. Several are his disciples and he often uses fishing examples in his teachings, as he does in today's Gospel. What's striking, though, is Jesus' call to the fishermen. It's urgent enough for them to leave everything immediately – their livelihood and families – to follow Jesus. What could inspire such change, such loyalty to a stranger?

Every day thousands of men and women hear a call to be priests, nuns, teachers, healers and more. They have described that call as so urgent and strong that they drop the lives they are leading to follow it. We may not all be called in this way, but each and every one of us is called by God. We are called to believe, to trust and to live lives that are examples of that belief. Through the disciples' example, we're reminded that having absolute faith in God, even to the point of leaving the life we know, will never be cause for regret.

WELCOME - to Father Wojciech Kuzma, Vocation Director for our Diocese. Thank you for presiding the Word and celebrating Mass, and for all your efforts with our seminarians and future seminarians!

THIS WEEKEND – we will be hosting a Vocation Weekend in our parish. The Vocation Director for the Diocese of Hamilton, Fr. Wojciech Kuzma, will be present at all the weekend Masses and will preach on the call to the priesthood and religious life. Father Kuzma will be available to answer any questions as well as share ideas on how we can help in promoting vocations in our parish. Men and women who are thinking about the priesthood and/or religious life are encouraged to make an appointment to speak with Fr. Kuzma during his visit to our parish. To schedule an appointment send an email to Fr. Kuzma by going to www.HamiltonVocations.com and clicking on the "Contact" tab.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – with Bishop Crosby at the Cathedral Basilica in Hamilton on *Sunday June 7th, 2015 at 1:30 pm*; for couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60 or more years in the calendar year 2015. Registration forms are available on the poster on the bulletin board at the back of the Church.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting

Tuesday February 03, 2015

7:00 PM in the Rectory

Guest Speaker:

Marcel Dion (Magnificat Ministries)
Mass at 6:30 PM in the Rectory Chapel

Valentine Father Daughter Dance

Friday February 13, 2014

Church Hall 6:30 – 9:30 PM

DJ, Pizza, Refreshments, Door Prizes

Cost: \$6:00 per person

Tickets available at the schools and
back of Church after the 9:30 AM Mass

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

Tuesday February 17, 2015

Church Hall 5:00 – 7:30 PM

Adults -- \$7.00

Youth (13 – 18) --\$6.00

Children (6 --12) -- \$4:00

Children 5 and under - free

Pope Francis to attend World Meeting of Families in

Philadelphia – The Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip to the World Meeting of Families, departing Sept. 22, 2015 and returning September 27, 2015 – both Bishop Crosby and Bishop Miehm will be attending. The World Meeting is designed to be significant to people of all ages at all stages of life. Every keynote address and workshop will be based on the concepts of marriage, family and relationship. This is a family event with workshop streams for those 18 and older, 6 – 12 years and day care for those 5 and younger. The first 100 people to register for the Hamilton Diocesan trip will have both their registration and transportation (by bus) paid by the Diocese, leaving only the cost of hotel and food. For more information and to register, please go to www.hamiltondiocese.com, or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2250 (Teresa Hartnett). "I believe that this event has the power to transform, in deeply positive ways, not just the Catholic Church, but our entire community," stated Archbishop Charles Chaput of Philadelphia.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016, KRAKOW, POLAND

Join us July 19 – August 2, 2016 as we participate in World Youth Day activities both in Days in the diocese and in Krakow, Poland. The pilgrimage includes return flight, 14 days in Poland, accommodation, busing and most meals. 5 "Days in the Diocese", 7 days World

Youth Day, 2 days sightseeing. Space is limited book today!

Participants must be 18 – 35 yrs of age at time of travel. Contact David Dayler at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988 x 2226, ddayler@hamiltondiocese.com or visit our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information and registration forms. Initial registration and deposit of \$100.00 due by January 31, 2015.

CURSILLO WEEKEND

A three-day Cursillo weekend, which is a short review of Christianity, is designed to help you on that journey. Beginning on Thursday night and ending Sunday afternoon, through a series of talks by lay people and clergy, and the sacraments, you will get to take a closer look at yourself, God, and others.

The Cursillo weekend attempts to create an environment where you can encounter Christ in a personal way. Everyone experiences Cursillo in their own unique way. It is our hope and prayer that you come away with the profound knowledge, that Christ loves you in a personal and intimate way, and that you can't help but share that love with others.

So, if you are over 18 years of age, and are open to a closer relationship with our God and Saviour, consider a Cursillo weekend: Men's is April 23-26, 2015 - Women's is April 30-May 3, 2015, in Demerton, On. For more information contact Fr. Ray Reitzel, CR rayreitzelcr@live.com or (519) 725-1445.

Please join the Serra Club of Hamilton in honoring 5 Priests and 5 Religious Sisters celebrate their 50th Anniversary of Service. The annual dinner is held at Liuna Station on Tuesday, April 28, 2015. Contact Margaret Carreiro at celebrationprl@gmail.com or check the website for more details: <http://celebrationprl.wix.com/dinner>

PRIEST, PROPHET, KING

....Lenten Reflection Evenings

6 Thursdays beginning February 12, 2015 7-9 pm

Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton

Through this presentation of *Priest, Prophet, King*, you will better understand Jesus, become more familiar with Scripture, and realize your own priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission. Using biblical insights and engaging stories, we come to see Jesus more clearly through the lens of the Old Testament. The cost for this series is \$25. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office at 905-528-7988, x 2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information.