

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, January 28

No Mass

Tuesday, January 29

7:00 p.m. Frank Cain Family and Amelia Kowalsky
Gary and Christopher Thompson
Jean Thompson
Special Intention
Intention of Elisea Runstedtler and Family

Wednesday, January 30

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

Thursday, January 31

10:00 a.m. Mark Protitch (at Sunnyside)

Friday, February 1

8:00 a.m. Joyce Shewchuk and Reverend Bob Walz

Saturday, February 2

9:00 a.m. Intention of Parish Ministry Volunteers
5:00 p.m. Frank Strajt
Rick Schuster
Catherine Martin
Ljubica Krusvar
Intention of Bill Walton

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 27

12:30 p.m. Baptisms
5:00 p.m. St. Paul Chung Mass

Wednesday, January 30

7:00 p.m. RCIA
7:00 p.m. First Communion Caregiver Meeting

Thursday, January 31

7:30 p.m. Sunday Choir Rehearsal

Saturday, February 2

Name Tag Weekend

8:00 a.m. Cursillo
9:00 a.m. Volunteer Ministry Retreat
6:00 p.m. Choir Members' Social

Sunday, February 3

Coffee Sunday following 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses

Name Tag Weekend

5:00 p.m. St. Paul Chung Mass

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 26, 27, 2019

*Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21*



TRUE POWER

We learn from her writings that Saint Teresa of Avila sat and spoke with Jesus as one would speak with a best friend. One evening, Jesus asked Teresa her name and she replied using her religious name saying, "I am Teresa of Jesus." Teresa was then bold enough to ask Jesus his name, to which Jesus replied, "I am Jesus of Teresa." Teresa – Spanish mystic, Carmelite nun and renowned author – knew that she and Jesus were one. Today's readings call us to embrace this same truth.

In the first reading, a holy people gather before Ezra to hear the word of God. After listening to the law of the Lord all morning, they shed many tears. They knew they were standing on holy ground. In the second reading, Saint Paul implores us to recognize that *we* are holy ground. *We* are the body of Christ and as its various members are called to do great things.

In the Gospel, Jesus recognizes himself as holy ground – called to bring good news to the poor, the captives and the oppressed. Can we recognize ourselves as holy ground? In her writings, Teresa of Avila reminds us that Christ has no body now on earth but ours. No hands, no feet on earth but ours. We, the people whom Jesus calls by name, are called to free the oppressed and give sight to the blind. Are we up for the challenge?

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Reverend Fernando Ferreira Pinto, C.S.Sp.
Tuesday	Reverend Tim Hingston
Wednesday	Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ (p.j.c.)
Thursday	Reverend David Avila
Friday	Reverend Jerzy Tomon
Saturday	The Presentation of the Lord

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.



You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? 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.

LAST CALL TO RESERVE YOUR LUNCH!

The volunteers' morning retreat and luncheon is next Saturday, February 2nd from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. If you plan on attending, ensure your name is on the sign-up sheet in the foyer by day's end on Monday, January 28th, or contact the parish office at 519-893-6960, or email bernadette@stanthonydaniel.ca



GRIEF SUPPORT

Has someone you cared about died? Are you feeling emotional, grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you wondering whether others share your experience? You are not alone. Come for an opportunity to learn, share, pray, and heal as you journey through grief. We will view excerpts from the DVD series "Grief Matters" by Dr. Bill Webster, followed by informal discussion. Join us in the Marian Room on Monday, February 4th from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. This month's topic is "Understanding What We've Lost". All are welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION CAREGIVER MEETING



All caregivers, with children planning on celebrating their First Communion in the parish this Spring, are reminded of our one hour meeting this coming Wednesday, January 30th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Life Centre. This meeting will be directed to caregivers.



CWL

Attention All Ladies of the Parish and CWL Members: Our February Catholic Women's League meeting will again be an afternoon meeting starting at 1:00 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 7th. Save the date and plan to bring your favorite board or card game to play with our ladies after a brief meeting. Cookies and tea will be served to celebrate Valentine's Day. A great way to meet and greet fellow parishioners!

"Warmth and Comfort Project": Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, the 1,415 plus pairs of socks have been delivered to the following local agencies: St. John's Kitchen, Safe Haven (Lutherwood), Threshold Homes and Supports, YWCA, House of Friendship, Ray of Hope and Sanguen Clinic which operates an out-reach van visiting street people in our region. Some used children's socks that were donated were also shared with Canadian Food for Children as well as Canadian Martyrs and St. Daniel's Kindergarten classes. These agencies support the homeless and needy in our community and thank you for your willingness to share warmth and comfort. On the parish website there is a full report and photos. Check it out at <https://stanthonydaniel.ca/2018-2019-sock-drive>

Calling All Valentines: The CWL will be having their annual Valentine Cupcake sale following all the weekend Masses on February 9th and 10th. A great opportunity to treat your favorite valentines! Your support would be appreciated for this fund-raising endeavour. Funds raised are used to buy gifts for our parish's students receiving the sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation in 2019.

A GENTLE REMINDER

Once again we remind parishioners that many people have allergies to perfumes, colognes and aftershave lotions. We ask that you be considerate of those parishioners afflicted by allergies/asthma and refrain from using these products when attending Mass or visiting the Adoration Chapel. Thank you for your cooperation as we do our best to maintain a scent-free environment.





VBS - SAVE THE DATE!

St. Anthony Daniel Parish
Vacation Bible School 2019

July 8th - July 12th

9:00 a.m. to noon

Stay tuned for more details

Interested in volunteering?

email Sarah today!

sarah@stanthonydaniel.ca



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.

Focusing the Gospel

Key words and phrases: have been fulfilled, investigating everything accurately anew, realize the certainty, power of the Spirit, bring glad tidings, fulfilled in your hearing

To the point: Luke portrays Jesus as One who had a clear understanding of who he was and his mission. Who he was: the One "in the power of the Spirit." His mission: "to bring glad tidings" to the poor, captives, blind, oppressed. Luke also had a clear understanding of who he was and his mission: he investigated "everything accurately anew" in order to proclaim the Good News. From the very beginning, what Jesus came to fulfill has been observed, treasured, handed down. Now we ourselves are to be the bearers of the Good News so that others may "realize the certainty" of the story we have received.



Simone Martini, St. Luke; c.1330s

Connecting the Gospel ...

... **to the First Reading:** Nehemiah provides details that assure the people the words proclaimed by Ezra were, indeed, the words of God. As Jesus proclaimed glad tidings "in the power of the Spirit," so must our proclamation of the Good News come from the Spirit who dwells within us. The details of our daily living must assure others that the words we proclaim are, indeed, from God.

... **to experience:** We are all familiar with the power of words to shape our identity and way of life. Society offers conflicting messages that often pull us in many directions. In the midst of all these competing words, God's word is the true source of our identity as Christian people.