



DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

# DIOCESAN WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

## September 2018

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** workshops will take place on Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Waterdown, and on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> at Holy Rosary Parish, Guelph. Both workshops are from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For registration information, see the Liturgy Office website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/> or call the Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2236.

**Ministers of the Word** workshops will take place on Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at Blessed Sacrament Parish, Kitchener, and on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Burlington. Both workshops are from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For registration information, see the Liturgy Office website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/> or call the Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2236.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** workshops for all who celebrate the liturgy of the word with children during the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist will take place at St. Anne Parish, Kitchener on Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> and at St. Francis Xavier Parish, Stoney Creek, on Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup>. Both workshops are from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. For registration information, see the Liturgy Office website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/> or call the Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2236.

**Seniors Study Session: *Creation Spirituality***. This seven week course offered by Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND, D.Min will offer participants an opportunity to understand and find ways to practice a Christian vision of Earth Centered Spirituality. The course will draw on scripture, poetry, ancient prayers, and the lives of the saints and prophets. The course will be held at St. Aloysius Parish, Kitchener, on Tuesdays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 16, 23, 30. Cost is \$35.00 including text. To register please contact Monica at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238. Online registration is available on the website, [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

### **Grandparents Day: *Waiting, Watching, Walking... in Faith***

Are you a Grandparent or a Senior who wants to learn more about their faith and how to pass it on to younger generations? Join us for a special celebration in time for National Grandparents Day. Saturday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am. to 12:30 pm. at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Waterdown. The morning begins with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Crosby, followed by light refreshments. Then sit back and enjoy special presentations from Elissa Lolino, playwright, actress & catechist, and Phil Small, author, poet, educator & grandparent. Anne Jamieson will help unpack the "Waiting"! There is no charge for this event. Your RSVP allows us to plan for the hospitality but walk-ins the day of are most welcome. There will be faith resources for sale at the event. Register by contacting Monica at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238. For online registration visit [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

### **Catechetical Correspondence Courses**

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through to High School who are not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools is also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.



### **Catechesis Connections**

Are you a catechist? Do you help pass on the Faith to others? In your Parish? In Sacramental Prep? At home? Join us as we consider the connection between evangelization and catechesis with the help of a new book by Daniella Zsupan-Jerome, “Evangelization & Catechesis: Echoing the Good News Through the Documents of the Church”. Short chapters, great stories, helpful reflection! Wednesday evenings Oct. 10, 24, Nov. 7, 14 & 21, from 7:00 to 8:30pm at St. Gregory Parish, Cambridge. Cost: \$35, includes text. Online registration is available at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or call Monica at 905 528 7988 ext. 2238.

### **Grief Relief**

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person’s presence in your life? Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? You are not alone! “Grief Relief” – is a six week educational and support series dealing with grief, offered on Tuesdays, October 23<sup>rd</sup> to November 27<sup>th</sup> at the Chancery Office, Hamilton, from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. Facilitator: Karen Hulley, RP. You are free to attend all sessions, or any one or more as you are able. To register call the Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

### **Certificate for Grief Program**

A certification program will be offered on Wednesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at the Chancery Office, Hamilton, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. International grief trainer and counsellor, Dr. Bill Webster, will present the material and provide a certificate of completion for those who participate in both days of the course. The cost of the program is \$90 per day (includes lunch). Contact the Family Ministry Office for more information (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

### **Stress in Your Marriage?**

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on October 12, 2018, call 905-664-5212 or email [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit the website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

### **Programs for Divorced and Separated Persons**

Our Diocesan Levels programs are designed to accompany women and men suffering after a divorce or separation. Beginning with Level One, which helps them to cope with the situation, and moving to Levels Two through Four, we journey with individuals who need healing to feel whole again. The program is offered in both Kitchener and Hamilton. More information is found on the Diocesan website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php>.

### **World Mental Health Day**

The Family Ministry Office will host a day of learning intended to assist people in offering needed support. Mark your calendars for October 10, 2018. For more information, contact the Family Ministry Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

### **Faith Begins in the Family**

Bring your news and views to a gathering on October 20, 2018, sponsored by the Family Ministry Office. All are invited to provide input, practical advice on how we can create strong family ministry and how we can help parents and children thrive and grow in their faith, connect to the church community, and invigorate parish life. Contact the Family Ministry Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 for more information or visit the Family Ministry website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/amoris-laetitia/>.