

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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April 19, 2015

Mass Intentions this week

**Please note: MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED
IN THE CHURCH**

UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

April 21st - 26th.

Tuesday 6:30 pm †Rev. J. J. Johnstone
Wednesday NO MASS
Thursday 2:30 pm (John Noble Home)
Friday 12: noon †Joan Redmond
Saturday 5:00 pm †Lina Colombo, Patricia
Smith, Joan Redmond, Larry Bates, A Special Intention,
In thanksgiving to St. Jude

Sanctuary Lamp - Intentions of Paul Archer
and repose of his soul. Requests may be made by
putting an envelope with a \$10.00 donation in memory
of your loved one in the collection basket.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, April 20	Rev. David Reilander
Tuesday, April 21	Rev. James McSharry
Wednesday, April 22	Seminarians
Thursday, April 23	Rev. Gordian Okpuruka
Friday, April 24	Rev. Michael Bennett
Saturday, April 25	Rev. Franjo Sprajc

OFFERTORY. Last week's offering \$3137.65
and our budget expenses for the week \$5,580.00.
Many thanks!

MARCH FOR LIFE

AGAIN this year Assumption College School and St.
Basil's Parish will be participating in the March for Life
May 14, 2015 in Ottawa. There are more than 100,000
abortions a year in Canada. It is important for us to
stand up for the *right to life*. We begin with Mass at
5:00 am at St. Basil's and then leave by coach bus. We
will return by midnight. The cost is \$50 per person. If
you would like to come, please call Joe Bissonnette at
226-387-4527.

THANK YOU: Father Roger Formosi
appreciates your prayers. If you wish to send him
a note, his address is:

Mary Mother of God Parish,
2745 North Ridge Trail,
Oakville, ON L6H 7A3

MEDITATION -

When has God's presence been made known to you?
Did it arise in a surprising way?

The two disciples who encountered Jesus on the
road to Emmaus didn't recognize him at first. After all,
they only recognized Jesus at the breaking of the bread.
In today's Gospel, Jesus also ate broiled fish with the
befuddled disciples, and then he opened their minds to
understand the Scriptures. Meals can often be special
moments of life-giving encounter. When we pause in
our too-busy lives and stop to listen and feel what is
being said, we can often encounter a moment of grace.
Has there been, in your own life, a special meal with
friends or family when you have keenly felt the presence
of the Other?

Just such a special moment happened for me in a
Tim Horton's restaurant in Halifax. There, a good friend
I hadn't seen in years recounted how he had made sense
of his incredible experience as a missionary in Latin
America. I longed for the coffee never to grow cold, for
the cup never to be emptied, so we could continue to go
deeper in our reflections and sharing.

We need more such 'Emmaus moments' in our
lives - times when God is so very close that we can feel
the Loving Presence in a deep way - and then fully
respond.

THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

**Will be celebrated during Sunday Masses today and
on April 25, 26.**

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:

**The Sacrament of Confirmation will be
celebrated by Bishop Crosby April 29th at 7 pm.**

R.C.I.A.

We have had several enquiries for RCIA (Rite of
Christian Initiation of Adults) for the coming year.
Joyce Young will meet with the prospective Candidates
in the Spring. For the 2015-2016 year we need to form a
team to assist in the formation of new Candidates.
Please speak with Father Earl or contact the office if you
would like to be involved in this ministry. It is very
rewarding and you learn a lot! Thank you.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE presents the musical "West
Side Story" on **May 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 2015.**
Tickets are available in the schools main office. Adults:
\$15.00, Students/Seniors \$10.00. Doors open at
7:00 P.M., curtain time 7:30 P.M.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE – We invite all women to attend our Communion Luncheon on Sunday, May 3rd after the 11:30 Mass. Sister Lucy is looking forward to a return visit and will be the guest speaker. Tickets are available after the Masses today and next weekend or call 519-753-8950 to reserve a ticket. Cost \$15 includes chicken divan, oven roasted potatoes, baby carrots, garden salad, homemade rolls and dessert. General meeting is **Tuesday, April 28th at 7:00 p.m.** in the rectory meeting room. Kelly Kenny will demonstrate how to make a tea cup bird feeder. Please bring your own china tea cup and saucer (available at St. Vincent de Paul Value Shoppe or Value village). We will also be voting on our choice of candidates to serve on the Hamilton Diocesan executive for the 2015-2017 term of office. Please read the information provided at the February meeting so that we can make an informed decision.

CHRIST the KING SCHOOL PASTA DINNER

–catered by LaBottega, Pasta & Meatballs, Salad & Bun, **Thursday, April 23, 2015**, St. Basil's Hall, 50 Palace St., **First sitting:** Doors Open @ 4:45 pm Dinner 5:00 pm. **Second Sitting** Doors Open @ 6:00 pm dinner at 6:15 pm. Soft Drinks & Ice Cream Sandwiches will be sold for \$1.00. Family Ticket \$30.00 (2 adults & 2 children Grade 8 & under). Adults \$10.00, Children \$7.00.

THANKSGIVING MASS

On the occasion of the Anniversary of the Canonization of John Paul II and John XXIII.

April 26, 2015 Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, 714 King Street West, Hamilton, at 11:00 am

April 26, 2015 Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, 28 Norfolk Street, Guelph at 3:00 pm.

St. Pius X C.W.L. Annual Retreat

All men and women are invited to attend **St. Pius X C.W.L. Annual Retreat on Thursday, April 30th** beginning at 7 pm. **The guest speaker will be Marcel Dion from Magnificat Ministries.** The retreat will be held at St. Pius X Hall, 9 Waverly Street. Social time and refreshments will follow the retreat. Hope to see you there.

ST. THERESA SCHOOL- will be having a Mother's Day Bingo on **Friday, May 1, 2015 at Assumption College.** Doors will open at 6 p.m. Bingo starts at 7 p.m. Door prizes, raffle prizes and our infamous theme baskets. Must 18 years or older.

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

We now have 4 spaces available at the back of our bulletin for advertising. If you can fill these empty spaces, please call Bialas Printing at 519-752-4268. Thank you!

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS

If you love priests and religious men and women, please support them by joining us in praying for vocations. Vocation Saturday is an initiative of the Vocation Office of the Diocese of Hamilton to gather people from across the diocese to unite in prayer for vocations. Join us on **Saturday, May 2**, at **St. Paul the Apostle Church, Burlington**, and/or **Saturday, May 9**, at **Canadian Martyrs Church in Hamilton**, for 9:00 a.m. Mass and Holy Hour for Vocations.

Thinking about Priesthood or Religious Life?

Find out by attending this upcoming event:

Discernment Group (a monthly morning of prayer, reflection, and lunch): **Saturday, May 2**, at **St. Paul the Apostle Church in Burlington**, and/or **Saturday, May 9**, at **Canadian Martyrs Church in Hamilton**: starting at 9:00 a.m.: Mass, Holy Hour, Discernment Groups for men and women, and lunch. For more information visit www.HamiltonVocations.com

VON Caregiver Information Series – Are you caring for a family member or friend with a long term health condition? Join us for one of the following free 4 part series where you will learn how to manage stressful situations, how to stay on top of your care situation and how to link to community resources. Come to one of the following series: Shalom Village – Goldie's Place (70 Macklin St. North, Hamilton on April 22, 29 & May 6 from 7 – 9 pm; Wellwood House (501 Sanatorium Rd., Hamilton) on May 4, 11, 25 & June 1 from 1 – 3 pm. To register call Miriam at 905-523-1055 ext 408 or e-mail Miriam.cahn@von.ca. Respite Care

The Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board will honour one student from each school at their annual Catholic Student Leadership Awards evening. Award recipients are being recognized for living out Catholic virtues at home, in school and in the community (especially in their home parish.).

Congratulations to:

Julia Baldassarra St. Basil
Angie Gonzalez St. Gabriel

The Most Reverend Ronald Fabbro, Bishop of the Diocese of London, will preside over this prestigious event on Wednesday, May 6 at St. John's college in Brantford.

The Board would like to express its sincerest appreciation to the families and parish for their role in the home-parish-school triad and the continued support of our Catholic education system.

KNOW YOUR BONES – Join our free bone clinic. Brantford Public Library, 3rd floor auditorium April 22, 2015 2:00-3:30

Move Your Bones and Feed Your Bones.