

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – October 4, 2015

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Mass Intentions this week

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

Oct 6th to Oct. 11th

Tuesday 6:30 pm †Donna Huff
Wednesday 9:00 am †Barbara Higman
Thursday 9:00 am at Assumption College
Friday 9:00 am Intentions of Kayla
Saturday 5:00 pm †David Cheevers, Phyllis Noonan, Nancy Robinson (Illes), Virginia Blaha, deceased Family members



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of Nancy Robinson (Illes) and repose of her 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, October 5	Rev. Roger Yaworski, S.J.
Tuesday, October 6	Rev. Pat Aiello, C.R.
Wednesday, October 7	Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate (S.O.L.I.)
Thursday, October 8	Rev. Bernard Hayes, C.R. RIP
Friday, October 9	Rev. James Johnstone, C.R. RIP
Saturday, October 10	Rev. Bill LaFlamme, C.R.

OFFERTORY for last week was \$3169.96 and our Budget expenses for the week \$5,580.00.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

During our 9:30 a.m. Mass, children age 4 – 10 years are invited to join in the opening procession from the back of the church. They then are dismissed at the beginning of Mass to enjoy their own celebration in our parish hall. They rejoice their families for the second half of Mass.

Discernment Gatherings

If you feel called by God to explore the call to the priesthood or religious life, please join our Discernment Gatherings on 1st and 2nd Saturdays of the month in Waterloo and in Hamilton. We start this October. For more detailed information or to contact Fr. Kuzma, the Vocation Director, please visit: www.HamiltonVocations.com

MEDITATION

Broken, battered and abused, women and children bear the greatest burden from domestic violence and poverty here and around the world today. This is not the vision offered in Genesis when God calls forth humanity from dust. The first reading relates how God's life-giving breath sparked our common journey. Women and man,

one from the other, together can become one flesh, we are told. Created in the image of God, both enjoy fully equal personhood.

We hear in the second reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews, that imitating Jesus in love and obedience we all have one Father. Indeed, Jesus, through his suffering and death on the cross, draws us to his Father. Salvation is offered to all, with no distinction. So sanctified, Jesus is not ashamed to call us brothers and sisters.

In Mark's Gospel we hear that marital law commands obedience. However, we must not harden our hearts like those of the Pharisees who tested Jesus. We also see a call for compassion and empathy. "Let the little children come to me." We are all God's children.

Despite our frailties and failings we know that when we fall short, a loving God awaits. Prejudices, biases and barriers melt away when we see each other truly as children of God.

Michael Dougherty, Whitehorse

FUN!

That is what we had last Sunday afternoon and evening at our Parish Golf Tournament and Bar-b-q.

Thank God for good weather, and I would like to thank the many committee members for their fine organization of this event. I don't want to mention names lest I forget someone, but you know who you are and so does God!
Peace, Fr. Earl.

P.S. Thank-you to all who participated and joined the dinner. And a special thank-you to those who donated the many prizes (21) and the volunteer crew who worked so hard and efficiently. Lastly a huge thank-you to Paul O'Connor and Arrowdale Golf Course. Paul was there to make it as easy and accommodating as he could and he did. The final tally will be announced next week but with the help of Arrowdale we even made a profit!

EVENING PRAYER

Pope Francis has called for a prayer time for EARTH, our "common home."

All are invited to the Cathedral Basilica in Hamilton on **Sunday, October 4th** (Feast of St. Frances of Assisi) **at 7 pm**. Guest speaker is Fr. John McCarthy, S.J.

PARISH FALL BAZAAR

We are very excited about the upcoming Parish Bazaar on Saturday, October 31, from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

-Right now our tables are all booked - we have 19 vendors committed - such as Avon, Epicure, "Leggings" (so popular this season!), Maria Estrella, Carol Ann Conlin and Linda Beach from the parish selling their products and handmade items, Sunset Gourmet, Norwex Cleaning, Pampered Chef, etc., etc.. *Remember Christmas is in the not too distant future – so why not do some early shopping.* -There will also be a bake table - please see note below.

-We will have a raffle table with at least 20 prizes (including another donated ring). Again if you can donate a prize it would help make this event more successful and fun by including a silent auction.

-We will be selling Pulled Pork on a bun, soft drinks, water, coffee/tea.

As you know the parish is in need of finances which includes finances to replace the boiler in the parish hall and so all proceeds go directly to the parish for our needs.

If you would like to volunteer we can use you! Please contact JoAnne at 519-754-4392 to leave a message.

BAKE TABLE

Hello Ladies & Gents, from the Bake Table: We are in need of your beautiful creations of pies, cakes, loaves, muffins, cookies, candy, preserves, cabbage rolls, meat pies, lasagna and cheese. Please label baked goods and INDICATE if they contain NUTS. All foods must be completely cooked as cooking facilities are limited. If you cannot deliver items to our parish hall *on Friday Oct.30th, please call Mary Taylor 519-752-7275* and we will gladly pick up your food. Please come out and have some fun!

RE: THE FEDERAL ELECTION:

3. The person and the family

Promoting the integrity of the person and family includes:

- *Promoting a better balance between familial and professional responsibilities;
- *Ensuring pay equity between men and women;
- *Guaranteeing sufficient basic income for an adequate quality of life;
- *Providing access to quality hospital care for all;
- *Supporting the reunification of immigrant and refugee families;
- *Facilitating the recognition of the skills of immigrants;
- *Taking actions against human trafficking;
- *Promoting the rehabilitation of criminals through restorative justice and ensuring support for their victims;
- *Protecting people from addictions to drugs and gambling.

What do the political parties say about these issues?

What positions are the candidates taking?

Bishops of Canada Endorse and Support Joint Fundraising Campaign for Syrian Refugees by Development & Peace, CNEWA CANADA AND ACN CANADA – A Fundraising campaign aimed at involving all the Church in Canada in order to assist Syrian refugees seeking shelter and protection in the Middle East and parts of Europe.

From Bishop Crosby: The Government of Canada announced on September 12th it has established the *Syrian Refugee Relief Fund*. Every eligible dollar donated by individual Canadians to registered Canadian charities in response to the impact of the conflict in Syria

will be matched by the government, for up to \$100 million, effective immediately and until December 31, 2015.

I hereby authorize a special collection for the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace to be taken up in all parishes on the weekend of **October 3-4, 2015**. Development and Peace works with Caritas Internationalis to provide emergency assistance in this and similar crises. Parishes are asked to forward their collection to the Chancery Office by November 1, 2015. Cheques made payable to: Segregated Fund Account.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS St. Basil Council #13442 Meeting **Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2015 – Mass at 6:30 pm** in Chapel, meeting to follow at 7:00 pm in the rectory meeting room. Guest speaker – Marcel Dion of Magnificent Ministries. Grand Knight – Bill Kane, Tel #519-752-1331. E-mail: wkane@sympatico.ca

THEOLOGY ON TAP

The first event in our 2015-16 Praxis of Faith Series Laudatio Si' – Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter on Care For Our common Home - Facilitated by Fr. Toby Collins, C.R. **Thursday, October 15, 2015 - Location:**The Piston Broke, 93 Dalhousie St., Brantford.- 6:30 p.m. – Entertainment and appetizers - 7:00 p.m. – Fr. Toby and table conversations. Complimentary appetizers, live entertainment, conversation around the Gospel's call to "Act Justly". For catering purposes, please RSVP no later than October 13 by e-mail: register@bhncdsb.ca, using the subject line: Theology On Tap.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING – All are invited to gather with Bishop Crosby and the men and women religious of the Diocese of Hamilton for a Mass of Thanksgiving for the Year of consecrated Life at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 1, 2015 at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk St., Guelph).

TIME FOR TWO: Growing in Love. Do you ever wish you had more time as a couple? Then this is the weekend for you! Rediscover the spark that was there on your wedding day! Rediscover the best friend you have had since you were married! Give yourselves a private weekend away and discover each other anew.

The Marriage Encounter weekend will be held on Oct. 17/18 at the St. Ignatius Retreat Centre in Deemerton, On. Contact Family Ministry Office 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

UNITED IN LOVE . . . Let us go to serve! World Mission Sunday has been set aside by Pope Pius XI in 1926, so that it can be the "feast of catholicity and universal solidarity" and that the whole world may publicly renew its commitment to the missionary movement: This year, World Mission Sunday will take place on October 18. It is celebrated on the same day in all the parishes around the world in order to allow us to make an offering to the poorest churches. Let us put together our hope and let us take the opportunity, during this month of missions to show solidarity with our poorest brothers and sisters of the suffering churches in Africa, Asia, Oceania, Europe and South American.