

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, October 2, 2016

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Mass Intentions this week

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

Oct. 4 to Oct. 9

Tuesday 10:00 am (In Church) St. Gabriel
School in attendance

Wednesday 9:00 am †Francesco Pellegrino and a
Special Intention

Thursday 10:00 am Mass at Assumption College

Friday 7:00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart
Church in Paris

Saturday 5:00 pm †Nancy Robinson (Illes)
Orville Smith, Dorothy Casselton, deceased brothers and
A special Intention

 **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 3	Rev. Mark Gatto
Tuesday, October 4	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Wednesday, October 5	Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate (S.O.L.I.)
Thursday, October 6	Rev. Msgr. Raymond Modeski
Friday, October 7	Rev. Ed Henhoeffler
Saturday, October 8	Rev. Philip Sherlock

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

We now have 6 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!

CWL NEWS:

BURSARY – Students who are members of the parish, graduating from St. John’s College and Assumption College in 2017 are eligible for the bursary. Please obtain an application from the school.

ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE 2017: Revised

The second meeting for our Special Events in 2017 will be held on **Thursday, October 6th at 7 p.m.** in the rectory meeting room.

After our opening prayer, we will update one another on the dates chosen for our various Social and Spiritual celebrations in order to print a calendar for all registered parishioners!

MEDITATION

Today is filled with voices challenging God. The verse from Habakkuk, for example, opens with “O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not listen?” Habakkuk wants to know why bad things happen to good people. And in the gospel, the apostles – even though they have witnessed Jesus actively at work – demand, “Increase our faith!”

The apostles ask for their faith to be increased because they want proof that Jesus doesn’t reply “Okay” and light the nearest bush on fire; nor does he say, “Get lost.” Instead, he informs them, “If you had faith the size of a mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea’, and it would obey you.”

Faith, like love, isn’t something that is; it’s something that you do every day. As the reading from Timothy reminds us, the gift of God is within us; with self-discipline and love we can see our belief grow as we engage in the work God asks of us. A miracle doesn’t have to be inexplicable. Sometimes a miracle is as small as a homeless person getting a free meal, or an unexpected compliment to brighten someone’s day. Miracles can occur when we choose to do more than simply what we ought to do.

Gillian Robinson, Toronto, ON
Novalis, Living with Christ

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS:

– **St. Basil Council #13442.**

MEETING: Tuesday October 11 in the Rectory at 7:00 pm after the 6:30 pm Mass in the Chapel

Grand Knight, Bill Kane, Tel #519-752-1331,

e-mail wkane@sympatico.ca

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

Saturday, October 15th AFTER 5:00 PM Mass –. Officiated by District Deputy Chris Kleisath. All officers and members requested to attend.

RCIA! means: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.

This Spiritual process is for adults seeking full Communion in the Roman Catholic Church. This may entail Baptism if the person has never been Baptized. Those Baptized in another Christian communion are welcome – they would celebrate the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil in 2017. Wednesday evenings 6:30 – 8 pm in the Rectory.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD:

Our Diocese has organized formation days for **LECTORS**. Choose either:

- Saturday, Oct. 29th in Hamilton
- Saturday, Nov. 19th in Kitchener

Application forms are on the Lectors’ “table” with exact locations. For all those who have never participated, or wish to update.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

You are invited to our Education and Action Workshops.

Halton: 7 - 9 p.m. on Monday Oct. 3

St. Michael Parish 181 Sewell Dr. in Oakville

Hamilton: 7 - 9 p.m. Tuesday Oct. 4

Blessed Sacrament Parish 305 E. 37th St in Hamilton

Waterloo: 7 - 9 p.m. Thursday, Oct 6

St. Michael Parish, 240 Hemlock St. in Waterloo

INSTEAD OF A SELFIE!

You may not get the opportunity to have a “selfie” taken with Justin Trudeau, but you can send him a Development & Peace action postcard (no charge!)

Please fill out the card inserted in today’s bulletin reminding the Prime Minister of Canada’s commitment to support people in the Global South.

Agriculture is at the heart of climate change solutions. Thank you!

ST PIUS X C.W.L. FALL BAZAAR

We would like to extend an invitation to you to attend our Bazaar on **Saturday, October 15th** from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. in our Parish Hall. Plan now to participate, attend and bring your family and friends.

ST. JOSEPH’S CWL are hosting their annual Rummage Sale, **Saturday, October 22, 2016**, 235 Brant Avenue, Brantford, from 8:00 a.m., to 1:00 p.m. Something for everyone. Many unique items for all to see. Toys, clothing, jewelry, books, etc. Craft items, house wares, surprises.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY WORKSHOP

RETREAT Day, **Saturday Oct. 15th at 10: -2:30 pm**

Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton.

Cost: \$30. Includes lunch & patterns.

Are you involved or would like to start a Prayer Shawl Ministry in your parish? Consider joining us for this day of sharing, reflection & prayer while we work yarn with knitting needles or crochet hooks! Explore the possibilities this ministry has to offer. Patterns & lunch are included at this workshop. Please register by Oct. 11. Contact Monica at the Discipleship & Parish Life Office 905-528-7988, x 2238.

PERMANENT DIACONATE – Information Meeting
Men interested in learning about the Permanent Diaconate Formation program in the diocese of Hamilton are invited to attend one of the three following information sessions:

October 16, 2016 at St. John the Baptist Church, Guelph

February 5, 2017 at the Chancery Office, Hamilton

May 7, 2017 at St. Michael Church, Waterloo

To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Peter Gittens at diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com or by telephone at (905) 528-7988, ext 2258.

SACRAMENTAL Preparation Sessions:

Registration forms for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation are ready for pick up at the back of the Church.

Please bring the completed form, along with a **copy** of the child’s Baptism form to our initial session in the Parish Hall: (unless he/she was Baptized here).

The initial session for **parents** of **First Communicants** will be held in our parish hall on **Thursday, November 10th, 7 pm – 8 pm.**

The initial session for **Confirmation (Parent & Candidate)** will be held in our parish hall on **Thursday, November 17th, - 7 p.m.**

According to our diocesan guidelines, First Reconciliation and First Communion are celebrated with children in grade 2 or higher, and Confirmation with grade 7 or higher.

Please put these dates in your calendar!

NB: * No Registration Forms will be accepted after Christmas.

St. John’s College Homecoming Weekend. St. John’s College is celebrating 75 years of Catholic education at the secondary level in Brantford the weekend of October 14-16. The weekend kicks off with Jr. and Sr. football games at 6 & 8 PM respectively against Assumption College School Friday night at Kiwanis Field. An alumni pub night follows the Sr. game at Sociables Tavern. Saturday evening is a special anniversary edition of the school’s annual Elimination Draw fundraiser held at the school. Tickets, which include dinner for 2 and a draw ticket, are \$50 and are available at the Main Office of St. John’s College. Only 400 draw tickets will be sold. The draw will also feature a silent auction, cash bar, and a dance to follow. A special invitation is extended to anyone with a connection to the school, including alumni, current and former staff, current and former parents of students, and community supporters. Proceeds support the extracurricular activities of current students as well as developing the field behind the school. This invitation extends to Sunday where the 11:00 am Mass at St. Pius X will conclude the weekend of festivities with members of the SJC family participating in aspects of the Mass. Thank you for supporting Catholic education in Brantford. For more information, please call the school at 519-759-2318.

“Increase our faith.” Listen for the voice of God. If you feel God’s call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit www.HamiltonVocations.com

LINE DANCING

CLASSES are cancelled for October 5th and 12th.
Classes will resume October 19th.