

# TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME      OCTOBER 22, 2017

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## Mass Intentions this week



October 24 – 28, 2017

**Tuesday 6:30 pm** †Clarine Zamora  
**Wednesday 12 noon** †Guy & Lina Ferraccioli and  
deceased family members  
**Saturday 5:00 pm** †Ina Campbell, Lori Const,  
Intentions of Theresa Neary



## Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of: the Souls in Purgatory and repose of their souls.  
Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of  
loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.  
Thank you.

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

### *This week we especially pray for:*

Monday Rev. Jarek Pachocki, O.M.I.  
Tuesday Rev. Joseph Durkacz  
Wednesday: Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny (S.J.C.)  
Thursday Rev. Henryk Krajewski, C.R.  
Friday Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.  
Saturday Rev. Peter Coughlin

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.

### **OFFERTORY: Thank you!**

Envelopes	\$2,765.00
Loose Collections:	\$ 606.80
Average Weekly Preauthorized	\$ 485.00
Total Weekly Offering Oct. 15, 2017	\$3,856.80
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

### **Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

“Give ... to God the things that are God's.” That  
includes you! Is God calling you to service as a priest,  
deacon, brother or sister? Contact Fr. Michael King,  
Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese  
of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, e-mail:  
[mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com)

### **C.W.L.**

All women are invited to hear Crime Prevention Officer,  
Chad Crawford's presentation on how to detect and  
avoid scams on **Tuesday, Oct 24<sup>th</sup>**, in the rectory meeting  
room immediately following the 6:30 pm Mass. The  
business portion of the meeting will follow the  
presentation.

## **MEDITATION**

This Gospel passage recounts the first of four challenges  
to Jesus from Jewish leaders. The message Jesus  
preached had reached them and threatened the détente  
they had attained with the Romans who had mandated  
that taxes had to be paid. Tragically, this made the  
Jewish people complicit in their own oppression. Jesus'  
retort challenges the Pharisees and us to look beyond the  
obvious and remain focused on what belongs to God.

Although paying taxes still rankles us, we recognize  
that they provide education, health care, a standard of  
living and more that could not be sustained otherwise.  
The common good, a principle of Catholic social  
teaching, can only be achieved and maintained if we  
come together in concern for one another.

Today is World Mission Sunday. Through our  
generosity, we can extend our concern beyond our  
borders to our brothers and sisters who are in need in  
every corner of the world. Our contributions testify to  
the fact that we believe that all of humanity is from God  
and worthy of our care.

Jesus counters the Pharisees by asking whose image  
was stamped on their coin. For us, the important  
question goes beyond image. We are challenged to  
declare that it is Jesus, the Son of the living God, who  
lives in our hearts, so that we might place love above all  
else.

Connie Paré, London, ON  
Novalis, Living with Christ

**SACRAMENTS** – Registration forms for the  
Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy  
Communion, and for Confirmation for 2018 are now  
available on the welcome desk in church.

Please inform family, friends and neighbours that they  
do not register through the schools. Sacraments are  
parish celebrations.

Our initial Parent meeting for the Sacraments of First  
Reconciliation and First Eucharist (grades 2 and higher)  
is - **Tuesday Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** in our parish hall.

Our initial Parent and Candidate for Confirmation is  
**Tuesday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm** also in our parish hall.

**T**he Children's Liturgy Program is underway  
again this year during the 9:30 am  
Mass. Children, ages 4-8, are invited to participate  
in this weekly program that focuses on the Sunday  
readings and teaches foundational catechism. This is a great  
opportunity for children to get together, ask questions and  
share their ideas on how we can all live the Gospel. This class  
also serves as a supplement for any sacrament preparation that  
children are receiving at home and school. Please encourage  
your children to try us out!

### **PRIESTS' SEMINAR:**

Each year at this time our Bishop invites priests in parish Ministry to join him in an Annual Seminar.

The topic this year is: "Revitalizing Parish Life"

We begin this Wednesday afternoon and conclude on Friday at 1 pm.

### **PARTICIPATION AT MASS**

The Second Vatican Council invited us to a "full, active and conscious participation" at Mass.

Our parish is good, but could also use improvement. SO;

- "The one who sings prays twice" said St. Augustine. This includes the hymns but also the psalm refrain and the sung responses.
- Coming late and /or leaving early is disrespectful to the assembly. Do not walk to a pew during the proclamation of the Word of God. Everything takes longer than we think: allow extra time to arrive.
- Speak up for the responses – sometimes we can hear a little infant better than 150 adults! Mass is a dialogue – some priests' parts, some assembly, and some both. Speak to someone you may not know – introduce yourself; we are family.
- Holy Communion:
- Who we receive is more important than who we receive from.
- The Bishops of Canada have asked us to make some sign of reverence (a bow of the head, or sign of the Cross before receiving. This can be done while you are "next in line.")
- In the Communion procession, the Bishops have asked us not to genuflect or kneel.
- Please respond audibly "Amen" when the Eucharistic Minister says "The Body of Christ." This means "I believe."
- People of other faiths are welcome to receive a blessing, but only Catholics receive Holy Communion.
- Do not walk away with the host! A host was found on a pew last week after a funeral Mass. After receiving the host in your hand – hold out both hands – one under the other – take a step to the side (allowing the person behind you to receive) Consume the host and then return to your pew.

Thank you for your respectful participation and cooperation!

**PARISH COFFEE** Next Sunday immediately following the 9:30 am Mass. All are welcome to join in this time of fellowship. Donations of treats are always appreciated.

### **ADULT EDUCATION SERIES**

Here at our parish; for one hour on the following Wednesday evenings at the Rectory:

*Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>* – 6:30 7:30 pm – Scripture – Old Testament

*Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>* – 6:30 – 7:30 pm Scripture – New Testament

*Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>* – 6:30 – 7:30 pm - Praying with Scripture

*Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>* – 6:30 – 7:30 pm - Saints for Advent

Before these dates, a church tour will be offered after our three Masses on the weekend of November 18/19<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome.

### **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 **November 3, 2017**, please call **905-664-5212** or email: [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

### **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

Thank you for your generous response to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith on World Mission Sunday. It's a blessing for young dioceses, priests, sisters, brothers and catechists who depend on it. Please continue to pray for all who serve in mission countries that they may remain strong in faith and in their vocation as they go about proclaiming the Good News of Christ.

Join us on **WEDNESDAY, November 1**, for a **Special Lecture** hosted by St. Jerome's University. **Kate Hennessy**, the granddaughter of Dorothy Day, will provide us with a frank and reflective, heartfelt and humorous portrayal of Day, the prominent Catholic, writer, social activist, and Co-founder of The Catholic Worker, a movement dedicated to serving the poorest of the poor. **Location:** Vanstone Lecture Hall, Academic Centre, St. Jerome's University  
**Time:** 7:30p.m. | Doors open at 6:45p.m.  
**Register:** This lecture is available on a complimentary basis. Please register at: [www.sju.ca/lce](http://www.sju.ca/lce)

### **DAY of PRAYER**

#### **SISTERS OF SOCIAL SERVICE**

11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton

Friday, October 27th 9:30 am to 3:00pm

Bring a bag lunch...Tea & coffee, muffins

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