

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 24, 2019

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Mass Intentions this week



Tuesday 7:00 pm †Grace Wilson
Wednesday 9:00 am †Rita Spencer, Intentions of Joanne
Thursday 9:00 am †July Chilcon, Mark Spohn
Friday 9:00 am †Don Boyle
Saturday 5:00 pm †Bill Kane, Stan Kosicki, Deceased members of the Main family, Intentions of Pauline Newby

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be:

- April 27 – 5:00 pm Mass (St. Basil School)
- April 28 – 9:30 am Mass (St. Gabriel School)
- April 28 – 11:30 Mass (Christ the King School)

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES ONLY

Retreat for Candidates in our parish hall on **Saturday April 6, 2019 – 1:00 – 4:45 p.m.**
 Celebration of Confirmation is **Wednesday April 24, 2019 at 7:00 pm** in the Church.

LENT

The season of Lent is a time for us to journey more deeply into the mystery of God's love and mercy for us. It is an opportune time to examine our lives in the light of the Gospel and respond to the call of conversion. The three keys of Lent are PRAYER, FASTING & ALMSGIVING. Fridays of Lent are days for fasting (for those who can) and abstaining from meat.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday evenings at 7 p.m. followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament (March 29, April 12) you are encouraged to attend the Stations of the Cross at least once during Lent.

Please note – Friday, April 5th is a practice for the Grand River Chorus taking place on Sunday, April 7th at 3:00 p.m. in our church.

Parish coffee – Sunday, March 31st, in the parish hall immediately following the 9:30 Mass. Come and meet some of your parish family. Donation of treats are always appreciated.

CWL – All ladies are invited to join us in the rectory meeting room immediately following the 7:00 pm Mass on March 26th. Lenten reflection followed by the general business meeting. For information about the Hamilton Diocesan convention May 24 -26, please contact Donna 519-752-1331.

Spring rummage sale – Donations accepted Friday, **April 12**, sale is Saturday, **April 13**. More information in the coming weeks.



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions: The Holy Souls in Purgatory. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

OFFERTORY: Thank you!

Sunday Envelopes	\$2,752.00
Loose Collections:	\$ 477.15
Average Weekly Preauthorized	<u>\$ 692.00</u>
Total Weekly Offering	\$3,921.15
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

DIOCESAN PRAYER	CALENDAR
Monday, March 25	Rev. Chris Buda, C.R.
Tuesday, March 26	Rev. Frederick Scinto, C.R.
Wednesday, March 27	Chancery Staff
Thursday, March 28	Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.
Friday, March 29	Rev. Pat Aiello, C.R.
Saturday, March 30	Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R.

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.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE –

Milk bags – The CWL is collecting clean outer bags to make plastic sleeping mats for Canadian Food for Children. Please **place the bags in the bin at the back of the church.**

SHARE LENT COLLECTION

The annual Share Lent collection for Development and Peace will be on April 7. For those who have gainful employment you are encouraged to sponsor one hungry family in spirit and budget a toonie a day to nourish them so that on the day of the Share Lent collection your offering will be forty dollars or more.

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Throughout the Season of Lent we will collect salt and soap (bar) that will be sent to developing countries through Canadian Food for Children. Please bring these S & S items in a cloth bag and place the bag in the area of the shrine of Christ the King.

All of what we will strive to do during the Holy Season of Lent will be done in the Spirit of the Gospel remembering the words of Jesus, "Whatever you do for the least of your brothers and sisters you do for Me."

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

Everyone is invited to the Marian Pilgrimage.

The pilgrimage will take place **October 17-28, 2019**, travelling to our Lady of Fatima (Portugal), Our Lady of Lourdes (France), Spain and end up in Paris. For more information, please contact, Estolia Salera, Telephone: 226-240-0810, cell 519-771-2846 or email: estolia.salera@gmail.com

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

"Remarkable scientific advancements have occurred since the rhythm method of the 1930's. No need for thermometers or rhythm calculations! Did you know the Billings Ovulation Method has a success rate of 99% in postponing pregnancy? Join us **March 25th at 7:00pm** in the St. Basil's Parish rectory meeting room for a presentation and introduction into Natural Family Planning. For more information or to register please contact Janine Doyle at janinedoyle@hotmail.ca or 519-304-6422."

ST. MARY'S CWL Spring Fling Bazaar

Sunday, April 28, 2019 from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at St. Mary's Parish Hall, 94 East Avenue. Over 20 vendors. Refreshments available.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Families are reminded to remove all wreaths on stands and other winter decorations from their lots by April 1st to facilitate the Spring cleanup. Any wreaths and decorations remaining after April 1st will be removed and discarded. For further info call 519-442-2608.



'One Heart, One Soul' campaign nears kickoff! Months of preparations are leading us to the next step of the *One Heart, One Soul* Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton.

A public kickoff Mass will be held at noon on Monday, March 25, Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, and followed by a reception at the Cathedral.

The campaign's Pilot Wave parishes will be holding kickoffs for their own efforts in April. Three additional waves over the next two years will allow every Parish in the Diocese to participate. Most of the funds from the three-year campaign will go to Parish projects, with a special emphasis on the Parishes most in need. A number of diocesan ministries will benefit as well.

A series of Frequently Asked Questions about the campaign can be found on the campaign website – www.oneheartonesoul.ca.

LENTEN RETREAT DAY FOR WOMEN

Wednesday, March 27th. Retreat offered by Fr. Mike Isabelle, Blessed Sacrament Church (183 King St. in Burford). St. Anthony Daniel (Brant). Beginning with Mass at 9:00 am, followed by conferences, pot luck lunch and concluding with Adoration, Confessions & Benediction. Free will offering. For more info call 519-449-5143.

C.W.L. 2019 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

It's not too late to RENEW your CWL Membership for 2019. All ladies of the Parish are invited to join our very active League at St. Basil Church!

Ladies, if you are one of our Snowbirds, please attend to this before you leave. Thank you.

Also, please remember, if you move during the year, to contact a member of the Executive to update your records.

CWL Organization Convener, Pat Renaud