

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 26, 2019

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Mass Intentions this week



Saturday 5:00 pm †Encar Parpan Trecapelli,
Cathy Corbett, Sophia Hawrys, Ray Pereda



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions: 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.

OFFERTORY: Thank you!

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,068.00
Loose Collections:	\$ 477.08
Average Weekly Preauthorized	\$ 692.00
Total Weekly Offering	\$4,237.08
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

DIOCESAN PRAYER	CALENDAR
Monday, May 27	Most Rev. Anthony Tonnos
Tuesday, May 28	Rev. Luc Payette
Wednesday, May 29	Catholic Teachers
Thursday, May 30	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
Friday, May 31	Rev. Anthony Azzopardi
Saturday, June 1	Rev. Gordian Okpuruka

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.

PARISH COFFEE –

Today, Sunday, in the parish hall immediately following the 9:30 Mass. Come and meet some of your parish family. Donation of treats are always welcomed.

Former Pastor Monsignor Earl

Talbot is celebrating this year his 50th Anniversary of Ordination. To highlight this occasion Monsignor has accepted an invitation to celebrate the 11:30 a.m. Mass here on Sunday, **June 9, 2019**. Following Mass all are invited to the Parish Hall for a reception.

CONCERT

St. Basil Parish welcomes Soprano Cecilia Kowara in Concert today, **Sunday, May 26th at 3:00 pm** at St. Basil Church, with Stephanie Burgoyne on piano. Featuring works by Handel, Schubert, Puccini and more. Reception to follow in the Church hall. Goodwill offering to benefit St. Basil Parish.

NET MINISTRY

We will be hosting NET - Ministry volunteers in Brantford. These young people will lead a series of retreats for our school youth. We expect a group of 6-12 volunteers who usually stay with families. They will arrive from Ottawa on Sunday, September 29 and will stay until Monday, October 7. If you can offer your hospitality please contact your church office. The details regarding their stay, meals, etc., are being established and we will update those who are interested to be a part of this plan.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him and we will come to him. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to the priesthood or religious consecrated life? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact **Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton** 905-528-7988, email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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.**

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

All ladies are invited to join us in the rectory meeting room on ***Tuesday, May 28***, immediately following the 700 pm Mass. Guest speaker, Katey Zuk, coordinator of The Period Purse program for women will discuss its operation in Brantford through Margot's Place.

Today **Sunday, May 26th**, Assumption College School Students will be hosting the 11:30 am Mass at St. Basil's. The students will be involved in various parts of the Mass: readings, music, offertory (bringing up the gifts), handing out bulletins at the end of the Mass. We hope to have coffee and cookies in the Parish Hall following the Mass.

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2019? On ***Sunday, June 9, 2019, at 1:30 pm***, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. (Space allows room for anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). Please register by May 20th to be sure your name is included in the program. Details are available on the poster in the church.

The Sisters of Life are hosting a Day of Prayer and Healing on ***Saturday, June 1, 2019***, for women seeking healing after abortion. The day is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God and the joy of healing in Christ, in a confidential and sacred space. It will include a witness of mercy, a Scripture reflection, Personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no fee for the day, lunch will be provided. **CONTACT:** The Sisters of Life **PHONE:** 416-463-2722. **EMAIL:** toronto@sistersoflife.org

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE DAYS

In honour of our Lady of Fatima:

June 1, July 6, August 3, September 7, October 5
At St. Thomas the Apostle, 715 Centre Road, Waterdown. From 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Each day begins with Mass followed by Rosary Procession, Stations of the Cross & Benediction, confessions and lunch.

Please bring your own lunch. For more information, visit www.stthomaswaterdown.com

IN CONVERSION WITH THEOLOGIAN & AUTHOR SISTER ALBERT MARIE SURMANSKI, O.P., PHD IS THERE "GOOD NEWS IN THE CHURCH TODAY" JUNE 19, 2019 AT 7:30 PM.

At **Blessed Sacrament Church**, 183 King Street Burford, ON.

A little background about Sister Albert Marie. She is from Burford and her family are active members of the parish of Blessed Sacrament. She is a graduate of our Catholic system. After joining the Dominican Sisters of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist, Sr. Albert Marie went on to advanced studies, earning both an MA and a PhD in Systematic Theology from Ave Maria University in Florida. Sister Albert Marie has published a number of articles as well as translated some of the works of notable medieval Theologian, St. Albert the Great. She has also given presentations at academic conferences, including a recent conference hosted by Columbia University in New York on *Catholicism, Culture and Modernity*.

Aside from her dedication to her vocation, spirituality and academic pursuits, Sr. Albert Marie is very passionate in reaching out to the young adults of the Church through her teaching and mentoring.

MEDITATION

Jesus is "going away," we are told in today's Gospel as we near the end of the Easter season. Imagine how upset the apostles felt. Also reflect on Jesus' human desire to comfort and reassure them. As is usually the case when anyone approaches a final goodbye, Jesus wants to impart his most important message.

As I reflect on this, I remember visiting my father for a weekend shortly before he died. He slept most of the time as I read or prayed while sitting by his bed. One moment he woke up, looked right at me and said quietly, "It wasn't always easy for your mom and me to raise such a large family. I hope you understand." He quickly fell back asleep. At the time, I did understand, and now, after many more years of parenthood, I have even greater understanding. I remain grateful for this last message that conveyed what he held in his heart for me.

Jesus' final message was that the father would send his gifts of the Holy Spirit and peace. Can we receive these gifts with gratitude? Perhaps we will also be moved to offer a special message to someone dear who needs a word of love and comfort.

Joe Egan, Toronto, ON
Novalis, Living with Christ