

September 5 and September 12, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

Please note: The church is open to a capacity of approx. 160. No reservations are required. You must continue to social distance and wear a mask. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY AT THIS TIME

Wednesday Sept 8 - 9:00 am - Nestor Milanes
Friday Sept 10 - 9:00 am - Don Mahinda Athulghudali
Saturday Sept 11 - 5:00 pm - Nicholas Curto, Charles Rizzo, Anne Selinar

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

September 6 - 11

MON – Rev. Hayden Starczala
TUE - Rev. Fulbert Jonas Ahouansou
WED – Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate
THU - Rev. Ian Duffy
FRI – Rev. Msgr. Dennis Noon
SAT - Rev. Vernon P. Boyd

The parish office is open Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 2:00pm. The office is closed on Fridays and the weekend.

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday Sept 15 – 9:00am – Margaret Pfiffer
Friday Sept 17- 9:00am – Orlando, Lilia, Immanuel
Saturday Sept 18 – 5:00 pm – Joseph & Connie Curto, Sara Puglia, Carmen Curto

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

September 13 - 18

MON – Rev. Roger Yaworski
TUE - Rev. Daniel Syauswa Musondloi
WED – Salesians of St. Don Bosco
THU - Rev. William Clarke
FRI – Rev. Gregory Kennedy
SAT – Rev. Paul Panaretos

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Welcome back to School teachers students and staff



SACRED HEART PARISH, HAMILTON 100TH ANNIVERSARY

This September 12th, Sacred Heart Parish will be celebrating 100 years. We ask former and present parishioners to please send photos of memories at Sacred Heart either by email: sacred.heart@cogeco.ca or to bring them to the parish rectory. Due to ongoing pandemic uncertainties, it has been decided to extend our celebration into next year. Bishop Crosby has agreed to celebrate the Anniversary Mass on June 5, 2022 which is the Feast of Pentecost and which is in the month of June – the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This will be followed by brunch at Michelangelo's. We hope to have a large gathering of former & present parishioners for such a momentous occasion.

Fundscrip Cards can be ordered NOW. For the next two weeks from Sept 5 to 12. The Order will go in September 13th. You can pick up an order form at the parish office, OR Wendy can email you an order form. Get your order in soon. Payment by cash or cheque.

* Suggestions for this Week:

Our readings this week leave no doubt that God is with us, on our side, gracing and blessing us. His influence in our lives has brought about significant change and growth. "Opening up" once, if it is sincere, can only result in opening up more and more. Fear and doubt disappear, and we can more easily see how God can, and does, act in our lives. If we are "opening up," it also implies that we are closing off something in our lives – fear, doubts, hatred, mistrust, jealousy, envy, impatience, selfishness, and so many other feelings and attitudes that build walls between ourselves and others, and between ourselves and God as well. This week, be more aware of opening yourself up, through God's grace, to share more fully in the life of God and in the lives of others. Open doors and windows of your mind, heart, and life to let in new life – as the Church did when it opened itself up at the Second Vatican Council. Give the Holy Spirit a new role in your life this week, and be prepared for graces and blessings.

Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Foster Care Webinar

7:00pm – 8:30pm We are looking for skilled individuals and families who are interested in fostering adolescents, children with complex needs, and racialized children. Please join us for a virtual information night. Please contact Jennifer Veenstra to pre-register for this webinar at [905-525-2273](tel:905-525-2273) or jennifer.veenstra@hamiltonccas.on.ca.

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JUST A REMINDER: VIGIL CANDLES ARE STILL AVAILABLE – Call the office if you would like a vigil candle.

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph

will pray for you during the Novena to Little St. Therese, September 23rd to October 1st, 2021

Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support?

You can participate in the Novena to St. Therese.

Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph

1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1

St. Agatha, ON NOB 2L0

FROM THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experiencing more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? **The solution is Retrouvaille** - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving partnership. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. Retrouvaille is offering their weekends by zoom offering more possibilities for engagement. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

Formerly called "Fridays with Father"



Interested in learning more about our Catholic Faith? Join Bishop Lobsinger for "Evenings with His Excellency" on the second Friday of each month at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in Canadian Martyrs Church, (1349 Main Street West, Hamilton). Each month we will methodically go through the "Catechism of the Catholic Church".

There is no registration, no fee and no homework. Come ready to learn and ask all the questions you always wanted to ask about our Catholic Faith. The first "Evening with His Excellency" is **Friday, September 10, 2021**. If you are unable to attend in person, you are welcome to go to <https://www.canadianmartyrshamilton.com/> to watch live. (All COVID 19 protocols will be required, including masks while in the church and proper social distancing.)

HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE

First Event:

Hamilton Right to Life has joined the initiative of Halton Alive's creative summer endeavour to reach out with the pro-life message of hope and care. How? By commencing a 2nd month of chalking in August at Long-Term Care and retirement homes across Halton and Hamilton. Inspire Hope has already made it to local newspapers and national radio and TV shows! (here are some links in case you're interested: [Oakville News](#), [100 Huntley Street](#), [Catholic Current](#) - starts at 26.50). when you click onto one of the links just before the numbers "26.50" it will bring up the radio broadcast. So for example, if you click onto the Catholic Current, you will note the broadcast is 60 minutes. If you scroll across to 26 minutes and 50 seconds, the Halton Alive's Inspire Hope will be introduced and Elea Hofman from the organization begins to talk at 27 minutes and 21 seconds.

Second Event:

Looking to enjoy time safely with family and friends in September? The Ancaster Fair is taking place Saturday, Sept. 25 & Sunday, Sept. 26, 2021. Hamilton Right to Life will have a booth there and would be happy for you to stop by to show your support for LIFE! If you are interested in volunteering at the booth for a 2-hour period, please contact hamiltonrighttolife@outlook.com or call 905 528-3065.

SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT de PAUL,

Hamilton Particular Council – We are looking for volunteers who wish to have some fun and help out at the same time. **YOU MAY BE THE ANSWER!** Whether you are looking to interact with customers, sort donations behind the scenes, put your cleaning skills to good use or just donate one of your many skills at our store. Please join us and bring a friend. Our store is called "Vinnie's Feel-Good Shopping" and is located at 200 Parkdale Ave. North, Hamilton. We are open Tuesdays – Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Your choice of flexible hours. For more information, please call the store and leave a brief message at (905)549-3902 or e-mail us at kelsey-sykessvp@outlook.com Those interested will be asked to fill out a volunteer application. Check us out at ssvphamiltonpc.org/store/

The lesson for the day emphasized the story of space explorers, how they are trained, how they operate in space, and how important they are. As usual, the teacher asked for questions or comments. One little 5th grader put up his hand: "Teacher, my Mom is a space explorer." "Your Mom, a space explorer?" echoed the teacher. "Yes, she is," insisted the bright boy, "the other day she drove around the block three times looking for a "space " to park."



Wednesday, October 13, 2021

Foster/Adoption Information Webinar

7:00pm – 8:30pm

Anyone interested in fostering or adopting can join this online information session to learn more about the opportunities to foster and adopt through the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton. This will be an interactive webinar where you can join the conversation and ask questions. The first step towards adoption is attending this information session.

Please contact Jennifer Veenstra to pre-register for this no-cost webinar at [905-525-2273](tel:905-525-2273) or jennifer.veenstra@hamiltonccas.on.ca.

Do you need support after an abortion? Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. **Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.**