Please note: The church is open to a capacity of approx. 140. No reservations are required. You must continue to social distance and wear a mask.



# **MASS INTENTIONS**

NO weekday Masses-Feb 9 &11 Saturday Feb 12 – 5:00pm – Edilberto Manrique, Caroline Angarano, Giovanni & Maria Prataviera, Grazia Addabbo, Rick Wacheski

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

No weekday Masses Feb16&18 Saturday Feb 19 – 5:00pm – Bernie Dugas, Vince & Billie Wybraniale & Vincent, Neil Martin Carreon, Rick Frances. Amedeo Moroni

### **DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

## Feb 7-12, 2022

MON – Rev. Michael Anderson

TUE – Rev. Robert Love

WED – Missionaries

THU – Rev. Marko Puljic

FRI – Rev. Robert Kaveli

SAT – Rev. Ilija Petkovic

### **DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

### Feb 14-19, 2022

MON – Rev. Msgr Ivan Vuksic

TUE - Rev. Pierre Caouette

WED – Discalced Carmelite Sisters

THU - Rev. Louis DeVaugelas

FRI - Rev. Jerek Scherber

SAT – Rev. Adam Zettel

### Collections:

Jan 22/23 2022 - \$1,650.00

Jan 29/30/16 \$3,205.00

including mail in donations and loose

WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND GENEROSITY AT THIS TIME

# The Catholic Women's League of Canada



has started a National Food Drive program aimed at increasing food donations to local food banks. The CWL of Most Blessed Sacrament Church is participating in this food drive and we need your help! This month our focus is on SOUP!

Canned soup, dry packaged soup, any kind of soup! Please drop off your donations in the narthex and help those who are in need during the cold winter months.

Fr. Charlie will be away from Feb 7-18, 2022 on a well deserved vacation to Vancouver.

Keep him in your prayers for a safe vacation.

Fr. Ted Slaman will be covering for the weekend masses.



### **Message to Blessed Sacrament Parishioners from** St. Vincent de Paul

In these "pandemic" times, your generous support of our Christmas tree program and donations of money for our sisters and brothers in need has been overwhelming and so greatly appreciated!

When we requested help in our ministry as members of Saint Vincent de Paul, you answered this call with great generosity and helped 26 families which included 30 children with toys and gift cards. The parents of these children received shopping cards for food to help make the Christmas season a little brighter!

A special thank you to our volunteers who kindly organized and delivered these gifts and cards to the families in time for Christmas!

Please be assured that you have made a difference in the lives of others this winter through your kind hearts and generosity to bring joy to families this past season! May God bestow His blessing upon you and your loved ones and may 2022 bring your peace, cherished memories and wellness!

With deep appreciation, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Blessed Sacrament Parish Conference

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre is now open and accepting group and personal retreat bookings for 2022! With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space Mount Mary is an ideal location for those seeking a retreat experience. Groups of all types are welcome for a day or for an overnight stay. For more information please visit: www.mountmary.ca

Wednesday, February 16, 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 <u>Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton</u>. This will be an interactive webinar where you can join the conversation and ask questions. The first step towards fostering and adoption is attending this information session.

To register, please contact Jennifer Veenstra at <u>905-525-2273</u> or <u>jennifer.veenstra@hamiltonccas.on.ca</u>.

Parenting tip for the Month: Children of all ages, but especially very young children, take their clues on how to respond to the world for the most part from their parents. No one will have a greater impact on your child. So, as you go about your day, know that your children are watching and listening to everything you say and do and taking lessons from you. Communicate about actions, life, the faith, on a day-to-day basis to help solidify what is important. Check your own actions and remember silence is consent, so if hear or see something that you know is wrong, speak up and tell your children why. We need goodness in our world and you have the power to teach it.

Marriage tip for the Month: In his Apostolic Exhortation, Amoris Laetitia, Pope Francis writes: "After the love that unites us to God, conjugal love is the "greatest form of friendship". It is a union possessing all the traits of a good friendship: concern for the good of the other, reciprocity, intimacy, warmth, stability and the resemblance born of a shared life." (AL #123) February is a great month to spend some time with this beautiful quote and ask yourself if your love truly reflects a great friendship, or if it is time to restore these traits to your marriage.

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experience 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 relationship. 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. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

### **Family Speaker Series**

The Diocesan Speaker Series is the highlight of the Year of *Amoris Laetitia* Family. It will feature a monthly topic related to family from January through to June, held virtually on Zoom. The topic covered each month is open to all; you are welcome to join one particular evening, all the evenings, or any number that interest you.

Family sets the foundation for faith and for the good of society, yet the strains of family life can sometimes leave many feeling stressed. As a result, we are seeing cracks in the very foundation of family. In Amoris Laetitia, Pope Francis writes: "The Synod process allowed for an examination of the situation of families in today's world, and thus for a broader vision and a renewed awareness of the importance of marriage and the family. The complexity of the issues that arose revealed the need for continued open discussion of a number of doctrinal, moral, spiritual, and pastoral questions (2)." Our speaker series is designed to be educational and uplifting to provide support for each person on their journey. The series is a great opportunity to learn more about oneself, but, as importantly, to take part in and become familiar other members of the Diocesan family.

Speakers will be highlighted on this page as they are confirmed, so check this page regularly for updates!

For more information contact the <u>Family Ministry Office here</u>. Videos of each session will be posted within a week of the talk.

World Meeting Of Families Diocese Event – being held May 28, 2022 at Mount Mary in Ancaster. Pope Francis is urging diocesan administrators to begin preparations for the 2022 World Meeting of Families, and this is exactly what the Diocese of Hamilton has begun to do! The Pope has asked that, "wherever it is possible, I would like to invite diocesan communities to plan initiatives based on the theme of the meeting, and to use the symbols being prepared by the Diocese of Rome." More information will follow, for now, we encourage you to keep Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup> open. As Pope Francis reminds us, this is "a great opportunity for Catholics to renew their commitment to family ministry."

Say Bill, a man said to his pal. "How do you like your new job?" "It's the worst job I ever had." "How long have you been there?" "About three months." "Why don't you quit?" "No way, this is the first time in 20



years that I've looked forward to going home."

### SACRED HEART PARISH, HAMILTON

### 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

This September 12<sup>th</sup>, Sacred Heart Parish celebrated 100 years. We ask former and present parishioners to please send photos of memories at Sacred Heart either by email: <a href="mailto:sacred.heart@cogeco.ca">sacred.heart@cogeco.ca</a> 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.

### From The Diocese - The 2021 – 2023 Synod of

<u>Bishops</u> brings an invitation from Pope Francis to embark on a journey together. How can you get involved? Offer your thoughts on how we can deepen our communion in the Lord and how all members of the Church can participate more fully in its mission.

Visit: <a href="https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about">https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about</a>

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in the parish, Spread the media to your also up-to-



faithful posts, and much more! word that we have social family/ friends, so they are date. See you online

We are currently accepting registrations for <u>Confirmation</u> <u>2022</u>. If your child is



in grade 7 or higher they are welcome to participate in our Spring Confirmation preparations. Registrations are available on the Parish Website.