

# SEPTEMBER 4 and 11 2022

## MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday Sept 7 – NO Mass

Friday Sept 9 – 9:00am – Margaret Pfiffer

Saturday Sept 10 – 5:00pm – deceased family and Mary & Vincent Downey

Wednesday Sept 14 – 9:00 am – Bernie Dugas

Friday Sept 16–9:00am–special intentions of Marco

Saturday Sept 17 – 5:00 pm – Angelo Marino

Fr. Charlie will be at the Clergy Seminar from Sept 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup>. Pray for the Diocesan Clergy as they will all be on retreat this week.



If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, please call the parish office, or speak to Rachel.

**FUNDSCRIP Gift Cards are on sale now! Once again the CWL will be placing an order for the Fundscrip Gift Cards. These make excellent birthday gifts and are also great for your everyday purchases. Order forms are available in the church narthex, in the parish office or you can even have one emailed to you! Full payment must accompany your order. The deadline for orders is MONDAY SEPTEMBER 12. Thank you for supporting the CWL and the charitable works that they support both locally and abroad!**

**Adult Choir** our choir returns in September to once again lead us in song!

**The Resurrection Choir** of the parish continues to provide meaningful musical worship for the funerals that take place here at the church. Your commitment to this choir involves practices which are held 30 minutes prior to each funeral. If you would like to participate in this choir, please call the parish office and leave your name and telephone number.

July 30/31/22 - \$2,190.00 including loose

Aug 6/7/22 - \$2,470.00 including loose

Aug 13/14/22 - \$2,405.00 including loose

Aug 20/21/22 - \$2,247.00 including loose

Aug 27/28/22 - \$2,175.00 including loose

**We thank you for your continued support.**

Almost every day the boss had to bawl out Mose for being slow at his work. One day the boss exploded: "I've had slow guys working for me, but you are absolutely the slowest I've ever seen. Is there anything you are quick at?" "Sure," drawled Mose, "nobody can get tired as quick as I can."

## September 4<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*The Source of Wisdom- Or who ever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom and sent your holy spirit from on high? wisdom 9:17*

Some people have a lot of knowledge, but it does not always include wisdom. Only after insights or events have been reflected upon and integrated into one's life does wisdom find its birth in the human heart. When I consider the wise people, I have known, there's one virtue that stands out: humility. Whether these men and women were learned teachers with graduate degrees or persons who moved no further than a high school diploma, they taught me a lot by their attitude toward knowledge and the insights that guided their lives with admirable integrity. They would not have claimed to be the sole source of their wisdom. They viewed themselves as a vessel of keen perceptions coming from the Spirit who holds all wisdom.

Each of us can be the receptacle of this profound gift of wisdom if our minds and hearts are open to receive it. Sr. Joyce Rupp, O.S.M.

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

### Sept 5-10 2022

MON – Rev. Marko Stefanec

TUE - Rev. Joseph Akanbi

WED – Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate

THU – Rev. Charles Jordan

FRI – Rev. Lordy Dorismond

SAT – Rev. Archange Kebe

### September 11- 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*This saying is trustworthy and deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Of these I am the foremost. 1Timothy 1:15*

The magnitude of God's mercy can be one of the most awe-inspiring or one of the most scandalous facets of Christian belief. We know the freedom that comes from acknowledging our weaknesses and failures. We may have even been reduced to tears as we receive forgiveness and find our rightful place in the household of our loving Father. Yet we also know the temptation to hard heartedness of the older brother, as found in today's parable (Luke 15:11-32). Are we offended by the generosity of a God who offers mercy, even as the nails are driven through his hands? Can I imagine a life beyond this world that ended in redemption for the most notorious sinners? St. Paul could because he counted himself among them. What qualifications do I put on my mercy? Would I withhold the mercy of God from others? Steve Pable

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### Sept 12-17, 2022

MON – Rev. Jarek Pachocki

TUE - Rev. Hanh Van Tran

WED – Salesians of St. Don Bosco

THUR – Rev. Adam Voisin

FRI – Rev. David Wilhelm

SAT – Rev. Jeffrey Oehring

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## Branches of Faith Youth Ministry is

looking for passionate adults to support our youth ministry programs and events. Pope Francis reminds us that we all have a role in the accompaniment of young people. We are looking people to fill roles

behind the scenes and directly with young people. If you want to be a part of our wonderful ministry, please contact Rachel McNamara at [blessedsacramentyouth@hotmail.com](mailto:blessedsacramentyouth@hotmail.com)

If you are not able to be actively involved with our youth ministry, please keep our ministry and young people in your prayers.

## Liturgy of the Word for

Children will resume September 11<sup>th</sup>. All children in JK-Grade 3 are invited to join us for age-appropriate readings and reflection of the Sunday Liturgy of the Word.



We are also looking for volunteers. If you are interested in supporting this ministry, please contact the parish office.

## In-person Youth Ministry is Back!

We are excited to announce that our youth ministry will be running in-person this year! We have started planning our Fall and Winter Calendar. We cannot wait to see you! Check out our social media and website for updates throughout the year!

**Upcoming Youth Events:** Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>- Youth Group Grade 7-12

Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>- Youth Group Grade 7-12

Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>- Family Halloween Celebration

## **World Youth Day 2023: Lisbon & Fatima, Portugal --July 28th – August 7th, 2023**

For more information about WYD in the Diocese of Hamilton please visit: [wyd.hamiltondiocese.com](http://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com)

## Please Come Join us as PX Dermody presents:

Coffee, Tea & Talk Workshop on Being prepared

**Where:** Most Blessed Sacrament - in the hall - here

**Thursday Sept 22, 2022** from 11am – 12:30pm **OR** 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

To register, call PX Dermody at: 905.388.4141

Learn pertinent information on Estate Matters and simple strategies for organizing your important documentation. Guest Speaker: Bill Dermody – Wills & Estates, Denise Sterling – CPP & Gordon MacGregor – Advance Planning Attendees will receive a Free Planning guide booklet.

Struggling 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 & healing. Please contact 905.526.1999

**PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH** - As parents, we love our children unconditionally, but the tasks involved are still challenging. There are many moments when our children can annoy us, test us and even defy us! Our response can be the difference between positive learning and damage to our relationship. What is a parent's best strategy? Learn to pause between the time a problem occurs and the time you respond. Take a moment to count to ten, take a deep breath, close your eyes, say a quick prayer, or take your own time out. When you are calm and collected, address the issue in the way you feel will work best to solve the issue, not one based on high emotions. Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH** - Conflict in any relationship is inevitable, but how we handle that conflict is not. When it comes to the spousal relationship, we often experience reoccurring conflict, which is not easily resolved because it is the result of fundamental differences in how we live in and/or view our world. Since it is hard to change a person's natural inclinations, couples have to find ways to resolve the ongoing conflict in ways that do not harm the love they feel for each other. One way to do this is to sit together when you are calm and find a middle ground that will work for both of you. We like to be right, so both partners will have to suspend their own desire and look for a workable solution for both. The benefit? Calmer moments, more shared love and a happy household! Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

**Marriage Support** - Your marriage does not have to feel like it is more trouble than joy, that is feels stagnant or disconnected and/or that it is causing you constant stress. 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. The next Retrouvaille weekend is Oct. 21-23. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email [teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:teamrecine@gmail.com).

Whether you are afraid of public speaking or would you like to take on a leadership role within the parish, the **Christopher Leadership Course** in Effective Speaking can help. The next course begins Tuesday evening, September 13, 2022 in either Hamilton or Burlington. To register or for more information, please visit [www.clchamilton.com](http://www.clchamilton.com) or call Frank at 905-662-4076.

*The Lord is near to all who call upon him*  
...Psalm 145:18

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September 27 – St. Vincent de Paul  
September 28 – St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions  
September 28 – St. Wenceslau  
September 29 – St. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael  
September 30 – St. Jerome

@MSTBLSSDS CRMNT! Follow Us @branchesoffaith!  
We are on social media. Stay up to date, with happenings in the parish, faithful posts, and much more! Spread the word that we have social media to your family/ friends, so they are also up-to-date. See you online



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September 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows  
September 16 – St. Cornelius & St. Cyprian  
September 17 – St. Robert Bellarmine  
September 17 – St. Hildegard of Bingen  
September 19 – St. Januarius  
September 20 – St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon,  
St. Paul Chon Ha-sang and companions  
September 21 – St. Matthew  
September 23 – St. Pius of Pietrelcina  
September 24 – Blessed Emilie Tavernier-Gamelin  
September 26 – St. John de Brebeuf  
St. Isaac Jogues & Companions

## **Pastoral Emergency Calls at Hamilton Health Science sites – McMaster, General & Juravinski**

Effective June 29, a new system for contacting a Catholic Priest to attend the dying for each HHS site comes into effect. HHS switchboard will no longer contact the Priest on-call in case of pastoral urgency at General, McMaster or Juravinski Hospitals. Instead, a self-governed call-forwarding system has been established by the Hamilton Deanery. Each HHS site will have a telephone number that can be accessed through the nurses' station and used by Hospital staff, or patient families, to call for a Priest to offer the Anointing for the sick and dying in urgent need. For all other spiritual needs while in hospital – counselling, reception of Holy Communion, or other needs – please contact your own Parish. NOTE: this change does not impact Saint Joseph Hospital. It's always a good idea to let the Parish know if you anticipate a hospital stay so that arrangements can be made for a pastoral visit.

## **Get on the voter's list**

Your vote is your voice. When you cast your vote, you're declaring your support of Catholic Education

On Oct 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022, make sure your voice is heard. Visit voterlookup.ca to confirm that your name is on the Preliminary list of Electors for the upcoming municipal and school board elections.

If you haven't declared your Catholic school support, by default your property taxes are directed to the municipality's English public school board. As a property owner in Ontario, you're entitled to direct your school support to English separate Catholic – which, in Hamilton, is the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board. As a registered Separate school supporter, you have a say in who will represent your interests at the school board and other levels of government. You don't have to have children in a Catholic school to register as a Separate school supporter...you only have to be Catholic. For more information, please contact Nicole Baldini, Assessment Clerk, HWCDSB at 905-525-2930 ext 2006

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or [baldinin@hwcdsb.ca](mailto:baldinin@hwcdsb.ca), the City of Hamilton at 905-546-2424 ext 4408 or MPAC at 1-866-296-6722

### **40th Anniversary Weekend - Sept, 30-Oct. 1, 2022**

Join us in September for Redeemer's 40th Anniversary Celebration! The weekend event will include a concert, alumni art exhibition reception, Royals vs. alumni sporting events and other festivities for the university's alumni and support community. We look forward to celebrating God's faithfulness at Redeemer over the past 40 years and looking ahead to what's next: [redeemer.ca/40years](http://redeemer.ca/40years)

### **Work at Redeemer**

Redeemer is hiring a donor relations manager, a night-shift custodian and tenure-track faculty members for the Business and Biology and Environmental Science programs. Learn more about these positions and many others at [redeemer.ca/work-at-redeemer](http://redeemer.ca/work-at-redeemer)

Bishop Crosby is sending a delegation of 40 young adults to World Youth Day in the summer of 2023. World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the world. All young people aged 18-35 are welcome to join this pilgrimage experience.