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**MASS INTENTIONS**

Wed March 22 – 9:00 am- deceased members of the Rocchi & Tassi families

Friday March 24 – 9:00am – Greta Innis

Saturday March 25 – 5:00pm – Filiberto & Rita Cassiani,

Wed March 29 – 9:00am- Karl Guralski

Fri March 31 – 9:00 am – John DeKleyn

Saturday April 1 - 5:00 pm – Janet Somers, Charles Rizzo, Florence & Bill Jeffrey

March 4/5 -- \$3,525.00 including loose

March 11/12 - \$.00 including loose

Special collection for Turkey & Syria total \$.00

*We thank you for your continued support.*



*Stations of the Cross will be every Friday at 11:00 March 24, 31*

**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

**March 20-25, 2023**

MON - *St. Joseph, Patron of Canada*

TUE - Rev. Laszlo Amaszka

WED – *Franciscan Fathers*

THU – Rev. Piotr Golinski

FRI – Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki

SAT – *The Annunciation of the Lord*

**March 27-April 1, 2023**

MON – Very Rev. Stephen Murrin

TUE - Rev. Kevin D’Souza

WED – *Sisters of St. Joseph of Canada*

THUR – Rev. Andrew Czarny

FRI – Rev. Msgr. Martin Vallely

SAT – Rev. Michael King

**For the First Saturday of each month we are asking families to say a decade of the Rosary at 4:15pm, before 5pm Mass. If you as a family are interested in participating in this parish ongoing event please call the parish office or let Ed Daley know and give your name.**



The next meeting for the **CWL** will be held on Sunday April 2 after the 11am Mass, in the parish hall.

**GIFT CARD ORDER JUST IN TIME FOR EASTER.**



**An order for fundscrip cards must be in the parish office with a cheque or cash by Monday March 20.**

**Your order will be here in time before Easter.**

**World Youth Day 2023-Lisbon, Portugal**

We have three young adults who will be attending World Youth Day 2023. We are excited for Matthew S., Michelle C., and Kevin L., and their fellow pilgrims. We are very fortunate that some of their fees will be covered through the One Heart, One Soul Campaign. However, if you would like to make a personal donation, and receive a tax receipt, please visit <https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/> and click Donate. You may direct it to one or split it between the three. Thank you for your ongoing support and prayers for our young people.

**Youth Group Grades 7-12! All**

young people are invited to join us for an evening of games, food and friendship. Our meetings for the time being will be held in the parish hall from 7:00-8:30 p.m..



Permission forms can be found on our parish website or in the Narthex. Our next meeting will be held Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup> (please note there was an error in last week’s bulletin regarding the date).

**Confirmation Retreat Leaders**

We are looking for high school aged students and adults to help lead our Confirmation Retreat. If you are interested in assisting for our one day retreat, please email Rachel at [blessedsacramentyouth@hotmail.com](mailto:blessedsacramentyouth@hotmail.com) The retreat will be held on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Good Friday Fish and Chip Truck! FYI, A Salt and Battered, food truck will be in our parking lot on Good Friday.**

More information to come about pre-ordering (to skip the line) and times. Consider ordering from them, to help a local business, and our youth ministry.

**March 19 – Fourth Sunday of Lent**

*Do not judge from his appearance. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart. 1 Samuel 16:7*

On this date nineteen years ago, a spiritual teacher of mine, Peter, died. He died alone and rather afraid in a care home for the impoverished. Born poor, raised poor, he also had medical and cognitive impairments that kept him on social assistance and in rooming houses all his life. He met Jesus in his middle age. And the light that had been hidden within him shone out, more brightly and more stunning each day. He touched the hearts of many, including me.

Who is spiritually blind? We are, whenever we, like the religious people in today’s Gospel (John9), judge and reject another. Who is freed of such blindness? We are, whenever we, like the man born blind, judged unworthy and disowned by all, receive the touch of Christ and let him free us.

The light shines where it will.

*Holy Spirit, move in my life, that I reflect the light of Christ. Mary Marronocco.*

**March 26 – Fifth Sunday of Lent**

*When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. John 11:17.*

The story of the raising of Lazarus shows a moment when Jesus is most human and most divine. He is most human: he really loves Martha, Mary and Lazarus. When he sees the others weeping for Lazarus, he is “perturbed and deeply troubled” (verse 33). And when he stands outside the tomb of his good friend, he himself weeps, Such actions make us say of him, “He is truly one of us.”

At the same time, the account powerfully shows Jesus’ divinity. He prays to his heavenly Father, he calls Lazarus to come forth and a dead human being-now alive-stumbles out of a dark tomb still wrapped in his burial shroud. Some of the onlookers begin to believe in Jesus. But others run to the authorities to report what Jesus has done. The raising of Lazarus is the last straw: Jesus must be stopped, permanently.

*Loving Jesus, may I never forget that you are both human and divine Sr. Melannie Svoboda, S.N.D.*

*Lord Jesus, you know best what we need to grow in faith, hope and love. As we observe this Lent through prayer, fasting and charitable works, may we be open to whatever gifts your Holy spirit offers us. May we live our baptismal promises with greater fidelity for our good and the good of the whole world. Amen.*

**SSVP JOB POSTING**

SSVP is job searching for a “Manager of Thrift Store: Responsible for the staff as well as the volunteers, including scheduling, task assignments and performance reviews. Responsible for store operations such as layout, store inventory, arrange deliveries and pickups by store owned truck. Responsible for some of the banking procedures. Knowledge of daily store routines. Minimum of 3 years of relevant experience in store management. Experience in a thrift store setting is an asset. Required knowledge of basic computer skills Microsoft Word. Excel, Facebook and Instagram.

Remuneration: \$44,000-\$47,000 per year depending on experience. Email: [ssvpparkdalemng@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpparkdalemng@gmail.com) for more info.

**FROM THE DIOCESE**

**Evenings with His Excellency** – Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for “Evenings with His Excellency”. This is an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month, at 7pm - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. This month we will begin our look at *The 10 Commandments*. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann’s YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith, all are welcome.

**Grief Relief** - Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person’s presence in your life? Join us on Thursdays from 7 – 8:30 p.m. from April 13th - May 18th, 2023 to learn more about what you are feeling and how to gently move forward. You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton program will be offered online using Zoom. To register, go to [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) and look for April 13<sup>th</sup> under Upcoming Events. To find out more, please call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

*Tommy in the Confirmation class had laryngitis, During the Confirmation examination the bishop asked the students. “What is the Blessed Trinity?”*

*Tommy whispered his reply: “three divine persons in one God.”*

*The bishop leaned closer and said, “I did not quite understand.”*

*“You’re not supposed to, “answered Tommy, “it’s a mystery.”*