## MASS INTENTIONS

Wed Oct 18 – 9:00am – Mass of Thanksgiving Fri Oct 20 – 9:00 am – Special Intentions for Corey Piggott

Saturday Oct 21 – 5:00 pm- Rev. Mike Downey, Ann Elizabeth Emmerson, William Sumer

Wed Oct 25 – 9:00 am – Salvador Anoneuvo Fri. Oct 27 -9:00 am – Mass of Thanksgiving Saturday Oct 28 - 5:00 pm - Lidia DiMatteo, Nemesia Collier

Sept 30 Oct 1 -- \$2,430.00 including loose Oct 7/8 --\$3,002.00 including loose *We thank you for your continued support.* 

<u>The Adult Choir</u> is now looking for new choir members. Practices are held every Tuesday evening at 5:30pm for one hour in the choir loft. All newcomers are most welcomed!!

The Catholic Women's League of Blessed Sacrament Church is starting a monthly food drive. This program is aimed at increasing food donations to *Neighbour to Neighbour*, our local food bank. This month our focus is on **Baby products and feminine hygiene supplies**, baby wipes, diapers, feminine pads and other feminine hygiene products are just a few examples. Please drop off your donations in the narthex and help those who are in need.

## All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

The annual All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery will take place on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 29 at 2:00pm</u>. The principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. Refreshments will be served after Mass. All are welcome!



Sacred Relics will be displayed Wednesday November 1, 2023 (All Saints Day) at St. Francis Xavier Parish, 304 Highway 8, Stoney Creek. Mass at 7:00pm & Talk by Fr. Ross Campbell at 7:45pm. Then there will be an opportunity to walk and pray among more than 80 relics of saints.

Fall Family Gathering Join us on Sunday, October



22<sup>nd</sup> for an afternoon of Family Fun. Families of all ages are invited to register for an afternoon of pumpkin carving, games and fellowship. You must register to attend, to ensure sufficient amount

of supplies are ordered. To register please scan the QR code.

<u>The Branches of Faith Youth Group</u> will be on Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. All young people in Grades 7+ are invited to join us. Permission forms can be found in the Narthex or on our parish website. Bring a friend.

#### DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

#### October 16-21, 2023

MON – Rev. Hayden Starczala.

TUE - Rev. John Van Hees

WED – Congregation of the Holy Cross (C.S.C.)

THUR - Rev. Patrick Ohl

FRI – Very Rev. Lawrence Parent

SAT – Rev. Gerald Mulhall

## October 23 - 28, 2023

MON – Rev. Michael Anderson

TUE - Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.

WED - Consecrated Virgins

THUR – Rev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.

FRI – Rev. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.

SAT – Rev. Ilija Petkovic

**Divine Mercy Apostolate of Canada** cordially invites everyone to celebrate The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (Mother of Mercy) Celebrating all the apparitions and devotions of the Blessed Virgin Mary at St. Catherine of Siena Parish 620 Rymal Road East, on Sunday, October 29, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. Exposition of Blessed Sacrament / Confession / Divine Mercy Chaplet 4:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, 5:00 p.m. Procession of Mother Mary and Holy Rosary Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Mark Gatto

The "White Mass" sponsored by the Catholic Physicians Guild will be celebrated by Bishop Crosby on Sunday, October 15 at 11:30 a.m. in Canadian Martyrs Parish.

**Saints Peter & Paul Catholic Elementary School** celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with the celebration of the Eucharist on Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in Sts. Peter & Paul Church with Bishop Crosby presiding.



# <u>December is going to be so</u> much fun...

The *Poinsettia Events Committee* invite you to the

Most Blessed Sacrament

Parish's upcoming seasonal

events. Perfect for everyone!

## Breakfast with Santa:

Saturday, December 2nd, 2023, from 8:30 am to 10:30am in the Church Hall.

So much fun for the entire family!

Join the Big Guy for a healthy & nutritious breakfast, loads of fun & friends!

\$7.00 per plate of pancakes & sausage and \$3.00 for a beverage & croissant **Cash only.** 

No need to book in advance, just show up for the fun to begin!

## Beautiful, seasonal Poinsettias for sale:

Order your poinsettias starting October 21<sup>st</sup> & 22nd & every week after each mass in the Narthex.

Cash only. 6"- 10.00, 8"- 20.00, 10"-25.00Deadline to order poinsettias is Sunday, November  $12^{th}$ .

# Poinsettia Pick up dates

Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 3:30pm to 4:30 pm- for the School Parents and **December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> after both Masses in the Narthex.** 

## 50/50 DRAW:

Ticket sales starting October 21<sup>st</sup> until December 1<sup>st</sup> weekly after each mass in the Narthex. Cash only.

<u>DRAW Date:</u> After 5:00 pm Mass on December 2nd in the Narthex.

A friend of mine has read all the books on how to deal with children. He thinks. He's quite good at it. One of his techniques, borrowed from the experts, is the loaded question – one to which there is no negative answer. for example, he'd ask, "What do you want to do first, pick up your toys or hang up your clothes?"

But the five-year old soon showed how well he had learned the trick. One day in

the toy store, he halted before a display, looked up and demanded of his daddy, "Which one are you going to get me first, the scooter or the wagon?



The Liturgy Office offers regular liturgical formation for ministers who serve as Ministers of the Word, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and Children's Liturgy of the Word. The workshops are designed for new ministers and are a helpful refresher for lay ministers participating in Sunday Mass and other liturgical celebrations. Participants who complete a formation workshop receive a three-year mandate from the Bishop of Hamilton. November formation dates are as follows for the following ministries:

## Children's Liturgy of the Word

Friday, November 3, 2023, St. Raphael Parish, Burlington, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

## Ministers of the Word

Saturday, November 4, 2023, St. Raphael, Burlington, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm.

## **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Saturday, November 11, 2023, St. Thomas the Apostle, Waterdown, 9:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Parenting Tip ---- October is the month we celebrate Thanksgiving, a time to reflect on all God has blessed us with in our world. The harvest is evident at this time of year, but remind your children of the intricate way God created the world so humans could live. Remind them that they are part of his creative plan and their gifts and talents are like food allowing the world to thrive. And remind them that God ensured they would have faith and family to support them throughout their lives. There is so much to be thankful for, and an attitude of gratitude can provide a positive impact on our emotional and mental health, so help your children give thanks for all they have been given!

<u>Marriage Tip</u> ---- There are many strategies we use to support our partners when they are under stress, but researcher Sarah Walker of the University of Sydney and her team found that two seem to have the most impact. Receptive listening, allowing your spouse to share detail about the situation without having you providing judgment or advice, and telling your spouse how much they matter to you, called valuing, are the two that provide the most benefit to your partner. Try these proven techniques and you will find a receptive and happier husband/wife in your life!(From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)