

MASS INTENTIONS

Wed Jan 24– NO MASS

Fri Jan 26 – 9:00 am – Jean DeKleyn

Saturday Jan 27 – 5:00 pm- Carmella Moote, Charles Rizzo, Cathe MacInnis & family

Wed Jan 30 – 9:00am— Veronica Underhill

Fri. Feb 2 -9:00 am – Frances Re

Saturday Feb 3- 5:00 pm – Leonard Giacomelli

Jan New years Day/Initial/regular collection –

\$ 5,886.00 including loose

Jan 13/14- \$2,510.00 including loose

THANK YOU! For your generosity

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Jan 21- 27, 2024

MON – Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto, C.S.Sp.

TUE – Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger

WED – Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (C.M.I.)

THUR – Rev. Edward Hampson

FRI – Rev. Robert Dunn

SAT – Rev. George Stortz

Jan 29- Feb 03, 2024

MON – Rev. Michael Bennett

TUE - Rev. James Curtin

WED – Hospitaller Order of St. John of God (O.H.)

THUR – Rev. Ralph Diodati

FRI – *Presentation of the Lord*

SAT – Rev. David Lewis

The Catholic Women's League of Blessed Sacrament Church has started 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 PEANUT BUTTER! Any type of peanut butter, along with jams and jellies are just some suggestions. Please drop off your donations in the narthex and help those who are in need during the start of this new year.



CWL - the next meeting for the Catholic Women's League will be held on Sunday **February 4th after the 11am Mass**, in the parish hall. A light lunch will be provided. All ladies from both Blessed Sacrament and Sacred Heart parishes are invited to join us!

Confirmation Retreat: Saturday, February 3rd. All those who will celebrate their Sacrament of Confirmation will receive a retreat package. Please return the forms to your classroom teacher by Friday, January 26th, 2024.

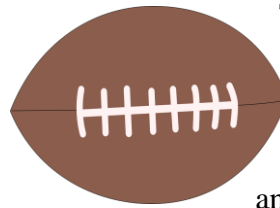


Youth Group Grades 7+ Join us on January 26th for cosmic bowling. Meet us at the parish hall at 7:00 p.m.. Download a permission form from our website, if you have never attended before.

COME AND JOIN THE ADULT CHOIR

Now that the Christmas celebrations are over, the ADULT CHOIR is looking forward to preparing for Easter. New members, especially men, are encouraged to join NOW as new music is being prepared for the Easter Vigil celebration. So if you were thinking of joining and being a part of our wonderful choir, the time is now! Call the rectory for more details.

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY CHILI LUNCH



The CWL is running a Chili Lunch on Sunday February 11 after the 11am Sunday Mass in the parish hall. Tickets are \$10 each and are now on sale after each Mass and in the parish office. Come out and enjoy a bowl of homemade chili, a beverage and dessert. Tickets will NOT be available at the door; only pre-sale tickets will be honoured.

The 2024 Parish envelopes are available in the narthex. Because of the low demand for parish envelopes, we have only ordered 250 boxes of envelopes. Anyone with numbers from 251 to 300 will be getting a new number for 2024. This does not have any effect on the tax receipts.

Thank you for your generosity. If you would like parish envelopes, please call the parish office and we can certainly help you. You can receive envelopes anytime during the year.

Receipts for 2023 will not be out until the end of February 2024.

If you are new to the parish please complete a registration form and drop it into the office or in the Sunday collection.

Welcome to Most Blessed Sacrament parish.

Young Adults Night –

Saturday, February 3rd - Waterloo

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night and vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, February 3rd at St. Michael's Catholic Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



The bulletin has been printed in the parish office for many years. We were hoping to get Liturgical Publications to print our bulletin which costs us nothing. However,

they do not have space for us.

Our advertisers have been on the back of the bulletin since before COVID. We do not have anyone to continue to follow up with the advertisers or get new advertisers, therefore there has been no funds to pay for the bulletin. The parish has been incurring this expense.

The bulletin will now cost money to operate for paper and the photo copying, with colour etc.

If anyone is interested in pursuing the bulletin advertisers and helping set up the back of the bulletin please call the parish office.

It would entail some calling and upgrading payments. Hopefully most of the advertisers now would continue to advertise.

Praying the Bible

Begin with a prayer to the Holy Spirit.

Read through the passage once at a normal pace.

Digest the words. Get a sense of the phrases. Allow the Word to seep more deeply into your consciousness.

Read the passage through, section by section.

How does this Word speak to me at this time, in this context?

What emotions are evoked by the Word?

How does this Word speak to me of God and how does it impact my life?

Conclude with a brief prayer of thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit.

The Christian prayer for unity

We pray, O gracious Trinity: Father, Son & Holy Spirit, that we all may be one as you are one. In your community of complete unity, we have our beginning and our end. To you we pray, asking for the gift of visible unity among all who believe in your Christ.

As we commemorate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we are reminded by your word that all human beings are our neighbour and that we are to love them like ourselves and in the same way we love you. Help us to overcome the barrier and divisions we have nurtured against your will.

Grant to us, O Lord, a new Spirit of love and solidarity that we may proclaim your good news to all of creation. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God, for ever and ever, Amen

Wedding Anniversary Mass

Our Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton on Sunday, May 26, 2024 at 1:30 PM.

This is an annual Mass for couples celebrating their **25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60th plus Wedding Anniversary!** Mass includes a renewal of marriage vows by all participating anniversary couples. **Couples will be able to register online.** A formal invitation (including general information and directions) is mailed to the home of the anniversary couple once registration has been received.

Each couple will receive a program listing the names of all participants and a small corsage to celebrate the day. Light refreshments follow the Mass, as well as an opportunity to take a picture with Bishop Crosby, so bring your camera!

Large numbers of couples register for the Mass, so only those couples married 60 or more years may bring a guest as there will be no remaining seats to accommodate guests.

Our two little granddaughters were blonde, blue-eyes and four and five years old when our son got married. Their mother, our daughter, had made them long matching dresses and rolled their long hair into French rolls on top of their heads. She sat them on the couch while she went to the church to unwrap gifts.



When my sister came she thought they were so pretty and surely would be a part of the wedding. She asked, "What are you two girls going to be at the wedding?" Both looked at her, then in unison, answered, "Good."