



WEEK OF September 3rd, 2017

Tuesday, September 5th, 2017

1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37

7:00 p.m. Rest of the Souls of: Winniefreda & John Baptist Lobo; Souls in Purgatory.

Wednesday, September 6th, 2017

Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44

9:00 a.m. Rest of the Soul of: Joe Luciani

Thursday, September 7th, 2017

Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11

9:00 a.m. Intentions of: Kathy Yanchus

Friday, September 8th, 2017

Mt 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23

9:00 a.m. Rest of the Soul of: John Booth

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ez 33:7-9; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18: 15-20

Saturday, September 9th, 2017

5:00 p.m. Intentions of our Parishioners & Benefactors

Sunday, September 10th, 2017

9:00 a.m. Rest of the Souls in Purgatory

11:00 a.m. Rest of the Souls in Purgatory



DONATE ON-LINE THROUGH PAYPAL!

(Scan the QR Code to take you to our donation page.) Also Debit/Credit is available at the parish office for your donations or payments.

OSTEO EXERCISE: Join us Tuesday's &

Thursday's 10:30-11:30. \$6 per session, pay as you go.

Call Mary 905-842-6935 or June 905-484-8773 for info.



MARY MOTHER OF GOD – GOLF TOURNAMENT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th, 2017,

is quickly approaching and many of us will be out having "FUN" on the golf course, enjoying great company and having a terrific dinner.

You can help us! Please consider donating prizes or sponsoring a golf hole, but MOST IMPORTANTLY, make your plans to join us for another great day! Our ultimate goal is for you to enjoy lots of laughs and wonderful camaraderie. Golf, Cart & Dinner - \$130.00; Golf & Cart only - \$107.00; Dinner only - \$40.00; Hole Sponsorships are also available @ \$100.00 and Competition Holes @ \$200. Contact Bob Dorey at 905-849-6108 or bob.dorey@sympatico.ca for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AT MARY MOTHER OF GOD PARISH. Is your child attending a Public or Private School in our parish community? Mary Mother of God Parish offers a Religious Catholic Education correspondence program. In order for your child to receive the Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion or Confirmation, it is recommended that they receive ongoing (year by year) Catholic faith development. **If your child is entering Grade 5 or 6 as of September 2017 and has not participated in a Catholic Religious Education program since 1st Communion, we recommend registering them in September 2017. Confirmation Preparation is 2 programs of study. Completing the Grade 5 or Grade 7 program now means they will only have to work on the Confirmation Preparation program in Grade 7.** If your child is entering Grade 7 as of September 2017 and has not participated in any Catholic Religious Education program since 1st Communion, we recommend you register Now and have them complete one program (Our Catholic Faith) over the summer months. **Contact Marisa Patskou 905-337-2184 or pa.mmogp@bellnet.ca, our Catechetical Co-ordinator. A mandatory Information Meeting will be held September 14th at 7:00 p.m.** All catechetical students and their parents are asked to attend. You will receive program materials; meet our pastor Fr. John Van Hees, our Catechetical Co-ordinator Marisa Patskou and our program teachers. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO HELP WITH THE PROGRAM IN SEPTEMBER – PLEASE GIVE THE PARISH A CALL!**



Please note the change of date for September only! Our next Youth Led Family Mass is on September 9th at 5 pm. We are looking for youth to become Readers and

Eucharistic Ministers and will provide more training in the fall. If you are interested, please email: youthatmmog@gmail.com. **Conquest and Challenge youth program Open House is Friday September 15th at 6:30 pm at St Andrew School (145 Millbank Drive).** Everyone is welcome to attend! These are teen led programs for boys (Conquest) and girls (Challenge) in grades 5-8 where they have fun with their friends while growing in their faith. For information call Susan at 905-599-3012 or email: conquestandchallengemmog@gmail.com

ATTENTION PARENTS OF GRADE 7

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES 2017-2018

Confirmation is planned for **Friday, January 19th, 2018 for Holy Family, St. Gregory & Parish Catechetical Students; Saturday, January 20th, 2018 for St. Marguerite d'Youville & St. Andrew Catholic Schools..**

There is a mandatory parent's only meeting on Wednesday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. at the parish. Please return to the meeting the registration package your child received from their school. **This includes:** The completed registration form; A *photocopy* of your child's *baptism certificate*; A \$50 *cheque payable* to Mary Mother of God Church; Name and address of child's sponsor (*must be a practicing Catholic and not a parent*); A recent wallet size photo of your child (photos will not be returned.) You will receive information for your child as they prepare for this sacrament.

September 3rd, 2017

Paths to Prayer - A Senior Adult Workshop Series

6 Tuesday afternoons, starting Sept. 19, 2017 1:30-3:30pm - Chancery Office – Hamilton.

This 6 part workshop/study session will explore the ten major Catholic spiritual traditions. Using the book *Paths to Prayer*, by Pat Fosarelli, each chapter of the text gives a brief history of the tradition's founder, highlights its main characteristics, and provides a customary prayer or spiritual exercise. Each session will include time for input, discussion, reflection and faith sharing. This course will be facilitated by Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND. The cost will be \$35 and includes the text, *Paths to Prayer*, by Pat Fosarelli. Please register by Sept. 5 2017. For further information please contact Monica at mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or check the website, www.hamiltondiocese.com for more information

Family Symposium on Saturday, September 23rd

What supports do families need from the Church? What are the pressures they face in their day to day lives? What are the challenges, joys, highs and lows in families today? Where do they seek support when it is needed? Where do they see the role of the Church in their lives and in helping them cope with everyday life issues and events? The Diocese of Hamilton, through the Family Ministry Office, wants to hear from you on these topics. **You can do this in two ways:** 1. Attend our Symposium for Families being held on September 23rd, 2017 beginning with Bishop Crosby saying Mass at 9:30 and ending at 4 p.m. 2. Fill in the on line survey posted on the website at <http://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/symposium-on-family> beginning June 28th. The more people who engage in both these events the greater the knowledge we will gather. Family matters - help us discover how the Diocese can help you in the most important role of family. For more information call 905-528-7988 and ask for Teresa (ext. 2250) or Wendy (ext. 2241).

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Grandchildren Grow Up: Beyond Toys to Real Life

Issues. We live in a rapidly changing world where children are experiencing and hearing about issues often beyond what we as adults know! Let's talk about some of them, including same-sex attraction, gender identity, healthy sexuality and how to help our grandchildren navigate the "stuff" of their lives. Present or future grandparents, as well as other interested people are welcome to attend. **This informative presentation will be given by Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton. Join us on Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017 from 1 – 3 PM at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 175 Emma St., Guelph** in the "Our Lady of the Rosary" Community Room (Free admittance; registration not required). This event is sponsored by The Holy Rosary chapter of the Catholic Grandparents Association. All are welcome to attend and bring a friend.

Would you like to be part of a child's story?

Adoption is one way to be part of the next chapter of a child's life. **Please join us for an Adoption Information Night with the Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton. Wednesday, September 20th, 2017 from 7-9pm.** Location: Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton Office (735 King St. East, Hamilton, ON) To register please contact: **Jocelyn** (905) 525-2012 ext. 3125 or **Megan Meredith**-megan.meredith@hamiltonccas.on.ca www.hamiltonccas.on.ca. (ext. 3330)



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR. The Catholic Women's League will be holding their annual Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday, November 11th – 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** We invite you and your families to attend a fun-filled day. Visit our Christmas Café, and various tables – Crafts, Baked Goods, Poinsettia Sales, Advent Candles & Wreaths, Grand Raffle, Lucky Draw, Gift Baskets, Jewellery Table, Children's Corner, and Used Books. We are in need of many items to make this bazaar a success. We are in need of your delicious baked goods for our Bake Table. Any gently used books, toys, puzzles and jewellery for our Children's Corner, Book Sale and Jewellery Table. Any NEW items are welcome for the Lucky Draw and Gift Baskets and prizes with a \$100 value or more or needed for our Grand Raffle. If you can donate any items or your time to any of the tables, please contact the following Bazaar Captains.

Chris Fisher	chrisbob@sympatico.ca	905-849-0044	Bake Table/Preserves
Joyce Noronha	joyceandpliny@hotmail.com	905-849-1553	Books/CD's/DVD's/LP's
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