



*Holy Family
Roman Catholic Church (1883)*

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*Sunday, January 14, 2024
2nd Sunday in Ordinary time*

Pastor:
Reverend Bob Love
Secretary: Sherry Reitzel

Office Hours
9 am - 11:30 am
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

Mass Times
Tuesday—7:00 p.m.
Wed-Friday 8:30 am
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Rosary - 30 min before Mass

Confession
Saturday 4-5 pm
Or upon request

Marriage
*Please contact the parish
at least six months in advance.*

Baptism
*Contact the office at least four
month in advance
Request forms at back of the
church*

Holy Family Catholic School
Principal: Mark Modolo.
519-662-1734



*Gospel: John 1: 35-42 - We have found the Messiah: Jesus
Christ, who brings us grace and truth*

Knotting & Quilting is Back!!
Wednesdays 9:30 am – 11:30 am
If you can tie a knot, you can knot with us, making quilts for the missions. Every Wednesday morning during the winter months. Great social time.

TODAY is Coffee Sunday
After Mass, come down and visit with your fellow parishioners, We will also be starting our children’s program again.

News from the CWL
Catholic Women’s League fees are now due. This year the registration is \$35.00 for the year. Fees can be placed in an envelope in the collection basket or given to Judi Langford Please be sure to include your name. If you would like to join or would like further information, please call Judi at 519 501 4763.

The Men’s club is looking for indoor storage for the trailer that stores the outdoor nativity set. It does not take up much space. If you have space in your barn or shed and would be willing to store the trailer, please talk with Ron Brander 519-390-1211

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

St. Agnes Education Café Event:
“Difficult People, Dysfunctional Families & Broken Relationships: Loving & Forgiving Our Way to Healing”. Sometimes we are faced with difficult relationships, whether in our families, workplaces or beyond, continually challenging us to love & forgive. When hurtful behaviour persists & attempts to mend are continually met with hard hearts, how do we love & forgive despite it all,... just as we are called to do? January 28th 2:00pm, St. Agnes Parish, with speaker Fr. Michael King.

15th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith Conference
Saturday March 23, 2024 9:00am-4pm at Old Mill Toronto Event Venue
21 Old Mill Road Toronto, ON (includes light lunch)
Opening Mass celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Collins
Speakers:
Kathleen Beckman: A Family Guide to Spiritual Warfare
Carissa Douglas: Becoming a Co-creator with God
Anna Boyagoda: Creating a Space for Prayer
Special Guest Speaker: Tammy Peterson (wife of Dr. Jordan Peterson)
Dorothy Pilarski: Starting a Catholic Moms Group
TO REGISTER VISIT www.dynamicwomenfaith.com

MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY **January 16**

7:00 pm

Intentions for Holy Family Parish

WEDNESDAY **January 17**

8:30 am

Special Intentions - Diocese

THURSDAY **January 18**

8:30 am

+Eileen Plouffe
Req. Moe Plouffe

FRIDAY **January 19**

8:30 am

+Judith Kroetsch
Req. Estate

SATURDAY **January 20**

5:00 pm

+Thomas Cybulski
Req. CWL

WEEKLY OFFERING

January 7, 2023

Sunday Offering: \$ 1,516.00

Building fund: \$ 310.00

New Year's: \$ 125.00

Thank you for your generosity

Prayer Network

To request special prayers contact:
Marcella 519 - 662-2962
Sharon 519 - 634-8401

If you would like to join the prayer chain please contact Sharon Diebold.

News from the Diocese of Hamilton

Save the Date: The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass!

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. Registration will be available online in December at www.hamiltondiocese.com

Sunday of the Word of God

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (January 21, 2024) marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for youth and adults in celebration of Bible Sunday 2024. Visit our website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/>.

SEPARATED / DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP WATERLOO

Life changes are never easy. After a separation or divorce, you may be feeling isolated or need of support and healing to adjust to your new life? Come together with others to realize there is a 'second act'. Join us on the 3rd Tuesday of every month - 7:30-8:30 pm – January 16, February 20, March 19, April 16, May 21, June 18.

Feel free to come early and join our Parish in prayer - 7:00pm Mass. We will meet in the Parish Centre (basement) at 7:30pm. To register: Phone 519-884-9311, or Email: parish@stmichaelw.ca

Vocation Seeds:

A good vocation prayer to say every day - from the time we are young until we are in our golden years - is found in today's first Scripture reading: "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening". Just try it with sincerity, starting today and, if you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Vocations Prayer Week of January 15

Rev. Phillip Cook
Rev. Luc Payette
Rev. David Weise
Rev. Tom Moisan
Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P

ALPHA 2024: Join us Thursday evenings, February 22 to May 2 at St. Mark's Parish Hall, 55 Driftwood Drive. Alpha is an 11-week program that brings adults together for conversations about life, faith and Jesus. Plan to join us – all are welcome! To learn more, contact Denise Case at stmarkalpha@gmail.com.

Lives of the Saints

St Antony, Abbot (251 - 356)

Feast day January 17

St Antony is the originator of the monastic life. He was born in Egypt: when his parents died, he listened to the words of the Gospel and gave all his belongings to the poor. He went out into the wilderness to begin a life of penitence, living in absolute poverty, praying, meditating, and supporting himself by manual work. He suffered many temptations, both physical and spiritual, but he overcame them. Disciples gathered round him, attracted by his wisdom, moderation, and holiness. He gave support to the victims of the persecutions of Diocletian, and helping St Athanasius in his fight against the Arians. He lived to be over a hundred years old, and died in 356.

The Gospels are full of wise sayings of Jesus that seem to be ignored, and one of the most poignant of these was in his meeting with that young man who asked over and over again, insistently, "What must I do to have eternal life?". When, in the end, Jesus told him that if he wanted to be perfect he would have to sell all that he had and give the money to the poor, the young man went away, sorrowing; because he was very rich. What could be more of a waste than that? You tell someone what he has to do, and he is afraid to do it. And yet... 250 years later, St Antony hears the story, and does give away all that he has, and becomes the founder of monasticism. And then again, over 1,000 years later, St Francis of Assisi hears the story, and gives away his possessions (and some of his father's) and revolutionises Christianity again.

Not all the words that we speak are forgotten, even though we cannot see their effects ourselves. Let us pray that those unknown effects may always be good ones.

Saint Henry of Uppsala (-1156)

Denmark, Finland, Sweden

Feast day January 19

Henry was a medieval English clergyman who came to Sweden with Cardinal Nicholas Breakspear (the future Pope Hadrian IV) in 1153. He was probably designated to be the new Archbishop of Uppsala, but the independent church province of Sweden could only be established in 1164 after the civil war there, so Henry would have been sent to organize the Church in Finland, where Christians had already existed for two centuries.

It is said that Henry entered Finland together with King Saint Eric of Sweden and died there as a martyr. But documentary evidence of this period is virtually non-existent, and all that can be said for certain is that his veneration has been established since at least the 14th century. The Catholic Cathedral in Helsinki is dedicated to him.