SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



TUESDAY, February 14th

8:00am Deceased Members of Dinh and Tran Family + Soi Pham Intentions of Therese Tran Intentions of Daniel Hurlbut and Family Intentions of John

WEDNESDAY, February 15th

8:00am + Joseph

8:30am to 11:00am – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7:00pm + Diane Sanvido + Bill Baker +Barbara Boyce + Peter Lafontaine Intentions of David and Anne Marie Turalija

THURSDAY, February 16th

8:00am	Intentions of Bishop Douglas Crosby
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FRIDAY, February 17th -

8:00am	Intentions of Antonio Antenos
7:00pm	+ Joseph Nguyen Manh Tuat

SATURDAY, February 18th

9:00am + Wayne Tessaro 5:00pm Living and Deceased Members of Giannini Family

SUNDAY, February 19th

8:30am	+ Grazieta Finoro
10:15am	For Parishioners
12:00noon	+ Vincenzo Lanci



May God's peace be with those who have recently died especially JOSEPH VENTURI and those being persecuted for their faith & race, and those killed in natural disasters & their families. Please remember our parishioners who are sick and homebound

and those in our Prayer Network in your prayers.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 12, 2023

"No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him." If you feel you are being invited to spread the Good News of God's love as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY CANDLES Week of February 12, 2023 <u>Candle #1</u> – ANTHONY TRAN + Candle #2 – RAY LITWAK +

Please use the envelopes provided or one of your own to request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle. The requested offering is \$10 each. You may place the envelope in the collection or drop it in the Parish Office.



COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offering February 4/5	\$6,137.45
Pre-Authorized for month of January	\$6,896.00
Building Fund month of January	\$825.00

Thank you for your contribution and God Bless!

If you would like a receipt for your contribution, we need your name & full address. If you would like envelopes or to sign up for Pre-Authorized Donations, please call the Parish Office at 519-822-4614.



SUNDAY REFLECTION

Imperfections are part of being human. Yet God, as our Father, has set higher standards and wants the best for us. He wishes us to open our eyes to his ultimate plan. He intends us, as sinners who are not

immune to toxicity and temptations, to join his kingdom. God has given us free will. Will we follow him? Are we living only with self-centered goals and desires, or do we make God's Ten Commandments and Jesus' teachings our guiding light?

Today's readings stress the urgency of aligning ourselves – our behaviour, values and intentions – with God's will. Being faithful to God goes beyond a checklist of rules – and yet we aren't hopeless for breaking them, for with a contrite heart our sins can be forgiven. We are encouraged to recognize the importance of righteousness in our hearts, minds and souls. We are asked to love beyond ourselves – making the love of God and others a priority. Our merciful and loving Father isn't expecting perfection. He desires us to at least strive to walk in his ways.

While living the Christian way is demanding, let us give thanks to God. He forgives our human imperfections, offering us a life of true joy and peace on this earth and, most importantly, in heaven. Blessed are those who walk in the law of the Lord! *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

2022 TAX RECEIPTS - NOW AVAILABLE

2022 Tax receipts are now available for pick-up at the back of the church after all Masses.

<u>CHILDREN's LITURGY 10:15 Mass –</u> <u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u>

We are looking for volunteers to get this program up and running. Children are brought down to the church hall for a simplified message of the Scripture readings for that day and encouraged to share that message with their parents after Mass. If you have questions or would like more information on this program, please contact Donna Haley at 519-822-9742.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE – MEETING CHANGE

CWL meetings with be CHANGED for the winter months (January, February and March). Our CWL General Meetings will be held on the Second Sunday of the month after the 12:00 Noon Mass beginning at approximately 1:30 p.m. The next date is March 12th. Come out and enjoy light refreshments and participate in planning of events for the New Year.

THE IRISH EYES ARE SMILING

We are inviting all the Irish and those who wish to be, to a fun night of Irish Dance, Music by Travel-Worn, dancers from Finnigan School of Irish Dance, Food and Frolicking. Please mark your calendar for Friday March 17, 2023 at Guelph Country Club. Cocktails at 5:30pm and Dinner at 6:30pm. Tickets are



\$40each and available at the parish office or through Brian Brady, Marti Valeriote or Pat Grosicki. All families and friends are invited.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Knights of Columbus Council 10631 at St. Joseph's Parish will hold an Easter Raffle in 2023 with all proceeds going to the Ukraine Solidarity Fund as the support for refugees continues to grow. See link for more information:https://www.kofc.org/en/what-we-do/charity/ukraine.html We urgently need your help:

We are reaching out to our Parish and greater community for any donations that can be used as prizes for the 2023 Easter Raffle, such as baked goods, gift cards and new household items. If you have something to donate, please contact one of the Knights listed below as soon as possible.

- Ray Bolton at 519-261-1850 / e-mail raymondbolton402@yahoo.com
- Larry Colero at 519-827-9737 / e-mail coleri1955@icloud.com
- Harry Jansen at 519-564-9804 / e-mail harry j jansen@hotmail.com
- Savio DeSouza at 416-618-3791 / e-mail savioleon@gmail.com
- Jim Gouin at 548-988-6294 / e-mail jgouin12010@hotmail.com

Deadline for donations is February 28th. The draw will be on Saturday, April 22nd at a Pot-Luck dinner so mark your calendar. Anyone interested in contributing to the dinner can contact us as well. If you would like to help selling tickets or have an interest in joining Knights of Columbus please contact Ray Bolton at 519-261-1850 or e-mail raymondbolton402@yahoo.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - FUN FAMILY BINGO

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 10631 on February 26th, 2023 in the Parish Hall. The hall will be opened at 1:30pm and doors closed at 2pm - please arrive early. Please bring your own snacks and drinks, Bingo dabbers, markers etc. \$2/strip. (Please have change with you) A trip consists of 3 cards x 10 games, 1 strip per person, additional strips maybe available pending on participation. No cash prizes but prizes will be awarded. COME JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN!

Heni Y cl. Nouwer <u>MEDITATIONS - HENRI</u> <u>NOUWEN SOCIETY</u> -God Pitched His Tent Among Us

When St. John says that fear is driven out by perfect love, he points to a love that comes from God, a divine love. He does not speak about human affection, psychological compatibility, mutual attraction, or deep interpersonal feelings. All of that has its value and beauty, but the perfect love about which St. John speaks embraces and transcends all feelings, emotions, and passions. The perfect love that drives out all fear is the divine love in which we are invited to participate. The home, the intimate place, the place of true belonging, is, therefore, not a place made by human hands. It is fashioned for us by God, who came to pitch his tent among us, invite us to his place, and prepare a room for us in his own house. "This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for one another."1 JOHN 3:16 (NIV)

REEL JUSTIVE FILM FESTIVAL

Join the Reel Justice Film Festival February 23, 2023 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM for a film screening featuring two short films that highlight challenges and approaches to affordable housing. A Better Tent City follows a group of dedicated individuals, including those living rough, service providers, community members and municipal staff, working together to create a selforganized housing community in Kitchener, ON. Safe explores the housing and opioid crises through the stories of tenants that live in Indwell affordable housing units, available for people experiencing poverty because of their mental health and/or substance use disorders, in Hamilton, London, Woodstock, Simcoe and Mississauga. Both films focus on the necessity for low barrier housing, community building, and respect for our shared home. A special discussion following the screening with Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Pastor at St. Mary, Kitchener speaking about his work and ministry with Tiny Homes and A Better Tent City, as well as with Jess Brand, Indwell regional manager for Hamilton discussing the community engagement, programs, and initiatives offered through Indwell to provide supportive affordable housing. The screening and discussion will be hosted online. R.S.V.P. view our full schedule of events and at: reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/

LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY "Empowered to Stand"

Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Toronto. Join the Catholic Renewal Ministry on Saturday, March 4, 2023. Variety of speakers. Closing Mass celebrated by Cardinal Thomas Collins. Tickets \$25 and bus tickets are \$18. For tickets and bus transportation please call: Ana Percic 519 824 8456.

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT - March 4th - Waterloo

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, March 4th 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 Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

