

NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



TUESDAY, August 9th

8:00am + Vincent Bolzon
+ Tuyet Nhung Nguyen
+ Joseph Minh Hoan Pham
+ Sid Reitsma
Intentions of Ellen McGeever

WEDNESDAY, August 10th – St Lawrence

8:00am Intentions of Therese Tran
7:00pm + William Mahoney
+ Dave Ireland
+ Brenda Veroni
+ Stanley Smydo
Intentions of Dante Entice

THURSDAY, August 11th – St Clare

8:00am + Margaret Rusiniak

FRIDAY, August 12th

8:00am + Josephine Scicluna
7:00pm + Carlos Lopez

SATURDAY, August 13th

9:00am + Carl Light
5:00pm + Joseph Hung Tran

SUNDAY, August 14th

8:30am In Thanksgiving to God the Father
10:15am For Parishioners
12:00noon + Libertad Abrigo



May God's peace be with those who have recently died 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.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 7, 2022

"Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." What do you hope for in the future? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of August 7, 2022

Candle #1 – TRACY BOLZON

Candle #2 – ZOFIA GADZINSKA

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 at the Parish Office.



COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offerings for July 30/31	\$5,336.35
Building Fund	\$1,196.00
Pre-Authorized for Month of July	\$6,771.00

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

As we learn in today's Gospel, much will be required of the person to whom much is entrusted. As Christians, we have been entrusted with all that God has desired to off the human race. This does not mean that we

should live in fear of failing to meet God's expectations, falling into a spiritual perfectionism that cripples our joy and strains our faith. Rather, it means that our hearts are to be undivided, to be about one thing alone – loving God.

How are we to prepare, to make ourselves ready for the coming of the Son of Man? We can reject all banal pursuits motivated by our own self-interest, which provide only a false sense of security and control. We are children of God, and as such we are to pray, give alms and offer sacrifices. If we make God's will and the salvation of souls the treasures of our heart, and like Abraham live by faith, not knowing where we are being led, we will be ready when the Son of Man comes.

Do not fear; have faith in things unseen; the Father is pleased to give us the kingdom. This life is fleeting; all we'll take to heaven is our love for God and the relationships we have formed here on earth. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

MOVIE NIGHTS – ST JOSEPH PARISH HALL

On Tuesday August 9th at 7pm we have our final movie of our summer movie night series at St Joseph Parish with "Padre Pio – Miracle Man" - his movie captures the Capuchin friar's intense faith, devotion, and deep spiritual concern for others, as well as his great compassion for the sick and suffering. It reveals the amazing details and events in Padre Pio's life as a boy and throughout his fifty years as a friar, dramatizing the frequent attacks from the devil, as well as the persecution he suffered at the hands of people, including those in the Church. All are welcome to come and enjoy – popcorn and drinks provided.



The CWL Annual Christmas Bazaar will take place on Saturday, November 12th. All CWL members and Parishioners are encouraged to begin craft projects and collect Attic Treasures that they may wish to donate for the Bazaar

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM –
IN-PERSON CLASSES**

St Joseph Church is providing in-person Religious Catechism Classes for the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation for students who attend Public or Private schools from Grade 1 through to Grade 7. It is also open to those children whose parents wish to have their children learn more about their Catholic Faith. Classes are every Tuesday from 6:30pm to 7:30pm starting September 18, 2022 and runs through to May 2023. For more information please contact Donna Haley at 519-831-6451. Registration forms are on the website under Parish Life/Ministries.

HAMILTON DIOCESE MARIAN DAYS 2022

Join your brothers and sisters from around the Diocese in honouring Our Blessed Lady as we celebrate the 2022 Marian Days on the following Saturdays:

- September 3 - with Bishop Lobsinger
- October 1 - with Bishop Crosby

The Special October Marian Day 2022, His Holiness Pope Francis has bestowed upon the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, as the Marian Shrine of Hamilton Diocese, the honour of having a crowned image of Our Lady. The Solemn Crowning of Our Lady's image, by His Excellency Bishop Crosby, will take place after Mass on the final Marian Day. After the Solemn Crowning you are welcome to attend The Queen's Tea (the Queen of Heaven that is), a luncheon Tea honouring the crowning of the image of Our Lady. There will be a cost of \$20.00 per person. Advance registration required by calling the Basilica at 519-824-3951.

WORLD YOUTH DAY LISBON 2023

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, has given his blessing for a delegation of young adult pilgrims (aged 18-35) to attend the World Youth Day Celebration in Lisbon, Portugal 2023. If you are interested in participating, please fill out a declaration of interest at the Diocesan website: <https://wyd.hamiltondiocese.com/> to provide further details for interested delegates, an Information Evening is scheduled for: Wednesday, July 6, 2022, 7:00 to 9:00 pm at St. Andrew Parish, 47 Reynolds St, Oakville, in the Parish Hall. This event is being held in person and virtually by zoom for those unable to make it to Oakville. Registration is required for either session: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/world-youth-day-lisbon-participant-information-night-young-adults-18-35-tickets-370599732777>

**MEDITATIONS – HENRI
NOUWEN SOCIETY –
Proclaiming God's Love**



It seems the closer I come to the poor and broken people of the world, the greater my desire is to speak directly about God and the less I feel impelled to deal with the burning issues of our day. This doesn't mean that I am not any more interested in these issues; in fact, I am more interested in them than ever, but somehow the way I enter into these issues has shifted. Presently, I am very much involved in the life of handicapped people and I am becoming more

and more involved in the struggles of people who have AIDS as well as people who live with great inner anguish and pain. Somehow these people are calling me to be more and more God-centered and seem to ask me less to help them solve their problems than to reveal to them God's immense and intimate love for them. **"Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care."** PSALM 95:6,7 (NIV)



St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

This young deacon and heroic martyr is numbered among those saints who were most highly venerated by the ancient Roman Church. Next to the feast of Sts. Peter and Paul, that of St. Lawrence ranked highest in the Roman sanctoral cycle. "From the rising of the sun unto its setting," says St. Leo, "whenever the glory of Levites beams forth in splendor, Rome is deemed no less illustrious because of Lawrence than Jerusalem because of Stephen." Even though we have no genuine account of St.

Lawrence's martyrdom, we do possess considerable evidence from most ancient times regarding the particulars of his passion. Legendary *Acts* tell how Lawrence was a disciple of Pope Sixtus II (257-258), who dearly loved him because of his special talents, but principally because of his innocence; in spite of his youth, the Pope numbered him among the seven deacons of Rome and raised him to the position of archdeacon. As such, Lawrence had the immediate care of the altar and was at the side of the saintly Pope whenever he offered the holy Sacrifice; to him also was confided the administration of the goods of the Church and the responsibility of caring for the poor. He was a defender of the church in Rome, he was one of the most venerated Roman martyrs of the early Church and is patron of Rome. He is mentioned in the canon of the Mass (Eucharistic Prayer 1)

ST CLARE

The Breviary says of her: "Following the example of St. Francis, she distributed all her possessions among the poor. She fled from the noise of the world and betook herself to a country chapel, where St. Francis himself sheared off her hair and clothed her with a penitential garb (on March 18, 1212, at the age of eighteen). Then she resided at the Church of St. Damian, where the Lord provided for her a goodly number of companions. So she established a community of nuns and acted as their superior at the wish of St Francis. For forty-two years she directed the nunnery with zeal and prudence, her own life serving as a constant sermon for her sisters to emulate. Of Pope Innocent IV she requested the privilege that she and her community live in absolute poverty. She was a most perfect follower of St. Francis of Assisi.



St Clare was the first flower in the garden of the Poor Man of Assisi. Poor in earthly goods, but rich in her utter poverty, she was a replica of Jesus, poor in the crib and on the Cross. At her time the Church generally and many Church men were enmeshed in financial matters and political maneuvering. Through the renewal of the ideal of poverty, St. Francis effected a "reform of Christian life in head and members."