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A Thanksgiving Prayer

*Heavenly Creator,
In this season of gratitude and abundance,
we give You thanks for our many blessings
as we pray for all who struggle with hunger and want.
Be with them in the dark of night, when all hope seems lost.
Keep their faith strong as they await relief.
And let Your goodness flow through our
hearts and hands as we reach out to one
another in the full, true joy of Thanksgiving in Christ.
Amen*

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MONDAY, October 13th

9:00am + Peter Phung Tran

TUESDAY, October 14th

7:30am + Antonio Antenos
+ Maria and Antonio Carere
+ Ray Litwak
Intentions of Laura Vette Meyer
Intentions of Romy and Debbie Pascua

WEDNESDAY, October 15th

7:30am + Gerrit Kistemaker
8:00am to 9:00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
7:00pm Intentions of Louie Nechala
Intentions of Pradas Family
Thanksgiving to God the Father
+ Cam Tran
+ Rosa Dinh
+ Benny Monico
+ Thomas DeNardis

THURSDAY, October 16th

7:30am Intentions of Jacob Domladovac

FRIDAY, October 17th

7:30am Intentions of Forester Family
7:00pm + Brigitta Tam Tran
7:30pm Divine Mercy Prayer

SATURDAY, October 18th

9:00am + Fr Dominico Thieu Nguyen
5:00pm Living and Deceased Members of Mandolesi
Family and the soul of John Mandolesi

SUNDAY, October 19th

8:30am All Parishioners
10:15am + Giovanni Zanon
12noon Deceased Members of Armellini Family

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.

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 12, 2025

How has Jesus touched you and made you whole? In gratitude, ask Him how He would like you to respond. Could Jesus be calling you to follow Him as a priest, sister, brother or deacon? If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of October 12, 2025

Candle #1 –

Candle #2 – +

Please use the envelopes provided to request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle.



COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offering October 4/5 \$3,203.00
Loose Collection \$1,347.37
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

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches us about the importance of praying continually. And maybe because this is so challenging, he adds to not lose heart. In the face of great need, how difficult it can be to keep praying

while seeing no apparent results. Sometimes it can be tempting to give in to despair and discouragement.

One of my earliest experiences of prayer was praying with my father. Many times, his prayer requests were not answered the way he wished. However, he always added a prayer of thanksgiving. One day I said to him "But Dad, you are saying thank -you and you didn't get the answer you wanted." His response was: "But dear, I'll get something better." I think this is one example of faith and hope that are needed in order to pray continually and never lose heart.

In the Middle Ages, during the Black Death, Julian of Norwich coined the phrase "All shall be well and all manner of things shall be well." Her expression of faith and trust echoed through the ages and continues to inspire me not to lose heart. In today's parable the widow never gives up and the judge. Even though unjust, eventually gives in. How much more can we depend on our loving God to know our need and care for us. *Excerpt from Living with Christ.*

MARTYR SHRINE - SMALL RELIQUARY

Saturday November 1st, 9am to 3pm: Join us as we welcome Fr Bert Foliot a Jesuit priest from the Martyr Shrine. He was ordained 52 years ago, been a pastor of numerous parishes in Toronto and Winnipeg. He has also done ministry among Indigenous Peoples for 25 years. He served as the rector of Regis College in Toronto and was the director of the Jesuit Infirmary in Pickering, Ontario. He was a superior of Jesuit Communities for





45 years. Presently, he is a member of the Jesuit staff at Martyrs Shrine and is pastor for the Beausoleil First Nation on Christian Island. For 7 years he walked from Guelph to Midland, Ontario with the Guelph Walking Pilgrimage. This all-day talk will be about the Shrine's 100 years and a 400-year story of love and discovery with St. Jean de Brébeuf and his companions. The day begins with Mass at 9am with blessings from the relics, discussion on the Martyrs and a synodal spiritual discussion after. Lunch is provided. **No cost to attend. Good will offering accepted. RSVP required at the Parish Office by Tuesday, October 28th.**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - FUN FAMILY BINGO!

Each Saturday Evening of: **November 1st, 2025 December 6th, 2025.** St Joseph's Parish Hall. Doors open at 6pm; Bingo starts and doors close at 6:30pm. Please bring: your own snacks, drinks, Bingo dabbers & pen. Entrance Fee: \$ 3.00 Children \$5.00 Adults This is a no cash prize Bingo. 6 cards per person. Please arrive early! SO, BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF FUN!

CWL Civic Evening of Spirituality - Tues. Oct. 14

Our Basilica CWL will be hosting the Civic Evening of Spirituality for all of our neighbouring leagues here in Guelph. Holy Mass will be offered at 5pm followed by a catered supper from Valeriot Market, and then well-known speaker Deacon Richard Olsen will present to us. Tickets are \$25. and can be picked up at the church office or reserved by e-transfer at treasurerawlguelpbasilica@gmail.com All CWL ladies are invited as well as those interested in our league. Please promote this event and get your tickets soon!

Screening of "Worth More" Film

Join Guelph & Area Right to Life for a special screening of "Worth More" on Friday, October 24, 2025, at 7:00 PM at Basilica of Our Lady Parish Hall. This short film powerfully affirms the dignity of every human life. Following the screening, producer Bronwyn Gray will lead a discussion on the film's message and inspiration. All are welcome!

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS MONTH

October is Diocesan Vocations Month. Please pray for the men and women of our diocese who are discerning their vocations to marriage, priesthood, the permanent diaconate, the dedicated single life, and consecrated life, that is, as a consecrated virgin living in the world, or as a religious priest, sister or sister. Since it is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, you are encouraged to offer the Rosary, in particular, the Luminous Mysteries, for vocations. For more information about praying for vocations, visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/pray-for-vocations/>. Blessed Virgin Mary, Our Lady of the Rosary and Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen

CARMELITE NUNS – ST AGATHA

MASS & RECEPTION

The Committee for the Carmelite Nuns invite you to attend a special Mass celebrated by Rev Raphael Ma, CR at Holy Family Croatian Roman Catholic Church (180 Schweitzer St. Kitchener) on **Monday October 27th, 2025 at 5pm**, followed by a sit-down dinner in the reception hall. Meal for 2 is a minimum donation of \$250 (eligible for a full tax receipt) can be mailed to Carmel of St Joseph – 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd, RR1 St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0 or 'Donate Now' at www.thecarmel.ca. **Please include names of attendees. RSVP required by October 10th.** For more information, please contact Liz Motz at 519-590-4808.

REKINDLING THE LIGHT: A RETREAT DAY FOR

BUSY MINISTERS

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is very pleased to offer a full-day retreat for all adult ministry leaders on **Saturday, November 15, 2025**, at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Cambridge. Join us for a day of prayer and sharing of the graces of pastoral ministry. Registration and further details can be found here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

A WALK WITH JESUS RETREAT DAY FOR

GRIEVING PARENTS

The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging and never truly leaves us. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us as we welcome Deacon Henry DeMena from North Carolina to join us in facilitating a retreat day for parents who have lost a child. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we invite you to join us for this day of healing and support. The retreat will be offered at the **Church of Our Lady Basilica in Guelph from 9 am to 4 pm on November 22nd** (lunch is included). Registration is required Register at hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night begins at (6:30pm and concludes with prayer at 9:00 p.m. on **Saturday, November 1st** at St. Basil's Church (50 Palace Street, Brantford). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For information, contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

PRAYER FOR MENTAL ILLNESS

Good Saint Dymphna, great wonder-worker in every affliction of mind and body, I humbly implore your powerful intercession with Jesus through Mary, the Health of the Sick, in my present need. (Mention it.) Saint Dymphna, martyr of purity, patroness of those who suffer with nervous and mental afflictions, beloved child of Jesus and Mary, pray to Them for me and obtain my request. (Pray one Our Father, one Hail Mary and one Glory Be.) Saint Dymphna, Virgin and Martyr, pray for us.



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