

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, January 9

No Mass

Tuesday, January 10

7:00 p.m. Daniel Derksen
Alan MacKenzie
Christine Stevens
Special Intention
Intention of David Kreze and Family

Wednesday, January 11

8:00 a.m. Intention of Bernadette Furman-Arnott

Thursday, January 12

800 a.m. Intention of Donna Ford

Friday, January 13

8:00 a.m. Gary and Christopher Thompson

Saturday, January 14

5:00 p.m. Serafina and John Goulart
Josephine Graci
Maria and Vincenzo Romano
Edo Krusvar
Donald Valad
Aldric Luke
Deceased Parents of Diane and Bill Lapierre

PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, January 8

Coffee Sunday following the 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses
5:00 p.m. St. Paul Chung Mass

Monday, January 9

10:00 a.m. Grief Support

Tuesday, January 10

7:00 p.m. Alpha Youth

Wednesday, January 11

7:00 p.m. Parish Pastoral Council Meeting
7:00 p.m. RCIA
7:00 p.m. Contemporary Choir

Thursday, January 12

7:30 p.m. Sunday Choir

Saturday, January 14

8:00 a.m. Cursillo
11:00 a.m. Experienced Server Training
1:00 p.m. Server Training
6:00 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Collection

Sunday, January 15

St. Vincent de Paul Collection following the
8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Masses
5:00 p.m. St. Paul Chung Mass followed by a Social

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JANUARY 7, 8, 2017

Isaiah 60:1-6

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12



When we consider the entire Gospel message, we must move beyond the mere appearance of a celestial body such as the star that appeared to the magi. In today's readings, many larger themes are present. A world filled with light, bursting with joy, dedicating itself to the reign of justice and peace, is present throughout the scriptures. The magi themselves are "overjoyed" at the appearance of the star, not for itself, but because of whom it represents. Filled with this joy, they bow down and pay homage to Jesus.

The season of the Nativity is one of great joy – so great that the Church gives us these twelve days of Christmas to celebrate. Beyond today we need to remember that, as disciples, the purpose of this season's joy is to refresh us and strengthen us for the mission of proclaiming the coming of God's reign. The star in Matthew's Gospel is only significant when, through us, it becomes the good fortune of the hungry fed and the homeless sheltered, the poor cared for through our charity, and the powerless finding a voice in our witness.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Baptism of Our Lord
Tuesday	Reverend Arthur Scidmore
Wednesday	Consecrated Men and Woman
Thursday	Reverend Gary Schlack
Friday	Reverend Mervin Perera
Saturday	Reverend Thomas Manninezhath, C.M.I.

Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests, religious and lay ministers of the world. Sanctify them. Heal them; guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Young people in Grades 7 through 12 are invited to take part in our parish Alpha Youth Programme. No registration is required, and Alpha Youth is open to all (Catholic, non-Catholic, non-Christian, undecided, questioning, etc.) so students are encouraged to bring their friends. Young people will enjoy some good food, great fellowship, and the fourth of twelve topics they will discuss over the course of the year. We will meet again on **Tuesday, January 10th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** Young people who missed the first sessions are more than welcome to join. You can catch up, if you wish, by viewing the first few videos on YouTube. Please keep praying for the success of this exciting new programme.

SEMINAR OF HOPE

***HOW TO PRAY FOR YOUR SONS,
DAUGHTERS & LOVED ONES***

***FREE LIVE SEMINAR – by Vernon
Robertson.***

As seen on EWTN



As parents do you suffer because of the spiritual condition of your children? Have your loved ones stopped practicing the faith? Do they no longer believe in God? Then this seminar is for you.

FREE participant manual will be given at the Seminar. For more information or to register call Pat or Rita at telephone 519-748-5548 or email at **paddy@golden.net**.

The seminar will be held at St. Anthony Daniel Catholic Church, 29 Midland Drive, Kitchener on Friday, January 20th from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday, January 21st from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Bring a bag lunch. Love offering will be taken.

View Promo Video at www.seminarofhope.org

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION



Please note that going forward, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available Tuesday evenings from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. as well as on Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

“On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.” God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ’s name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 email mking@hamiltondiocese.com

GRIEF SUPPORT



Has someone you cared about died? Are you feeling emotional, grieving the loss of the person’s presence in your life? Are you wondering whether others share your experience? You are not alone. Come for an opportunity to learn, share, pray, and heal as you journey through grief. We will view excerpts from the DVD series “Grief Matters” by Dr. Bill Webster, followed by informal discussion. Join us in the Marian Room on Monday, January 9th from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. This month’s topic is “Coping with Grief”. All are welcome.



Thanks to the generosity of the parishioners of St. Anthony Daniel Parish, and the three schools in our parish that collected toys for their Angel Trees, the

members of St. Vincent de Paul were able to provide hampers and toys to all those in the Stanley Park area who were in need of extra help this past Christmas. The recipients all expressed their gratitude at the time the toys and hampers were given out.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be at the doors of the church after Masses **next** weekend, January 14th and 15th, to accept your monetary donations. The monthly meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be held on Monday, January 16th at 7:30 p.m. in the PLC.

**2017 CALENDAR FOR
SALE DEPICTING
FIRST NATIONS'
ACTIVITIES**



Support the on-going efforts of our Catholic Missions in Canada. You can purchase a calendar which can be found in the church foyer. Cost \$10. All proceeds will go the work of these Missions.

2017 MULTICULTURAL MASS



Please join Bishop Crosby in celebrating our upcoming Multicultural Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King (714 King Street West, Hamilton) on January 15, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. The annual Multicultural Mass is coordinated by the Diocesan

Office for Refugees, in partnership with the Liturgy Office and community/parish stakeholders that represent the cultural diversity of our faith community.

The 2017 Multicultural Mass coincides with the 103rd World Day for Migrants and Refugees. Pope Francis has chosen the following theme for this day: “*Minor Migrants, vulnerable and voiceless*”.

Following Mass, all are welcome to proceed to McNally Hall for a reception of entertainment, performances, food and drink to celebrate the cultural fabric that gives beauty and vitality to the Diocese of Hamilton.

COME JOIN US TO FIND THE “KEYS TO LOVING RELATIONSHIPS”



“Keys” is a nine week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better “me” in all your relationships! The program runs Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. starting January 24th, at St. Mark’s Parish, 55 Driftwood Ave., Kitchener. The cost is \$45.00. For more information, please call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

MINISTRY RETREAT INVITATIONS



Parish volunteers may pick up their invitations to the February 4th Ministry Retreat *this weekend, January 7th and 8th*, in the narthex.

2017 THEATRE TRIPS



2017 Theatre trips have been booked! To view upcoming shows, pick up an information paper found on the bulletin board in the church foyer. Our first outing is “Singin’ In The Rain” at St. Jacobs Playhouse Theatre on March 29, 2017. All are

welcome to join us!

CONFIRMATION ENROLMENT



Confirmation candidates and their sponsors and families are invited to Confirmation Enrolment that will be taking place during the 10:30 a.m. Masses on January 7th and 15th. You are invited to come to either of these Masses and to bring your Letter of Enrolment for Father Allen. We look forward to the opportunity to pray with you and for you, as a whole parish community. Please email Sarah if you need an extra copy of the Enrolment Letter.

EUTHANASIA & ASSISTED DYING – DR. MOIRA MCQUEEN PRESENTATION



DIocese of Hamilton

Dr. Moira McQueen of the Canadian Catholic Bioethics Institute will offer a presentation and Q&A on the need for conscience rights protection for physicians, healthcare workers and Catholic institutions in light of the legalization of assisted dying and euthanasia. Join us at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Sunday, January 29th at 12:00 noon (following the 11:00 a.m. Mass) for this presentation in McNally Hall – a light lunch will be provided.

RESPONSIBLE STEWARDS OF CREATION



Close to five million litres of water are taken from Wellington County daily for a water bottling plant. This extraction of large amounts of water adversely affects the ecological balance of nature over a large area while depriving those who rely on wells of their right to water. Close to seventy-five percent of plastic bottles end up in land fill sites, thus contributing to contamination of the soil for thousands of years.

Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, urges all parishes in the Diocese of Hamilton to refrain from using bottled water in church facilities. As stewards of Creation may we be leaders in the responsible use of our sacred mandate.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICES WITH TAIZÉ SONGS



We begin this new year with an opportunity to join other Christians to pray for Christian Unity worldwide on Sunday, January 22nd at 7:30 p.m., Week of Prayer for Christian Unity hosted by Calvin Presbyterian Church, 248 Westmount Road East, Kitchener. Phone 519-744-4061 for more information.