

THE 4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME January 29, 2017

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Mass Intentions this week

January 31 – February 5th

Please note: Weekday Masses are celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.

Tuesday 6:30 pm †Kevin Laberge
Wednesday 12: noon †Intentions of Florence Myers
Thursday 12: noon †Peter Kazarian, Maria Nardone, Olga Kovach, Intentions of Grace Wilson
Friday 9:00 am †Molly Lefebvre
Saturday 5:00 pm †Theresa Leyzer, Nancy Ann Morin, John Capoldi, Catherine Bates, Deceased McAllindon family, Intentions of Maureen Zammit and Louise McGraw



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of: the Holy Souls in Purgatory and repose of their souls. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, January 30	Rev. Thomas Vermiglio, M.C.C.J.
Tuesday, January 31	Rev. Francisco Cruz
Wednesday, February 1	Society of the Catholic Apostolate
Thursday, February 2	Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
Friday, February 3	Rev. Jose Moreira
Saturday, February 4	Rev. Octavio Cidadao

OFFERTORY: Thank you!

Sunday, January 1, 2017	\$2,827.00
Loose Collections:	\$ 537.06
Average Weekly Preauthorized	<u>\$ 485.00</u>

Total Weekly Offering Jan 22, 2017 \$3,849.06

Budget expenses for the week \$4,265.00

BULLETIN TRIVIA:

As an innovator, creator and planner St. Basil was the first to fulfill the desperate need for charitable institutions, directing and creating orphanages, hospitals and homes for the aged. His application of brotherly love and respect later led to the formation of the church philanthropic societies.

MEDITATION

We seek glory because it is our human nature to do so. Self-seeking glory is all around us. God challenges us to recognize that God-in-us will lead to great things. God in our small, weak selves leads to holiness, a different glory. And though our culture shapes us, we shape our culture; the culture changes only when God shapes us. When Jesus taught The Beatitudes, he was challenging the culture, too.

Each one of Jesus' exhortations – Blessed are ... - is a profound witness of faith and trust in someone greater than ourselves. Suffering the cost of living The Beatitudes shows the world a new way to live, one rooted in Christ. Can we be surprised that it will be exceedingly difficult to live this way? How shall we?

Here is how. God's love for us compels him to share his diving nature with us through Christ. Does he need us to accomplish his plan? Not really. Does he invite us? Every day, let us say yes.

Rejoice then, that Jesus can use us to teach the strong and, at times, humble them. Even in this, no one can boast, because we all share the same self-glorifying human nature. We are only our best selves when God's divine nature is at work in us. There is no glory for us when living The Beatitudes. All glory belongs to God.

Johanne Brownrigg, Orleans, On
Novalis, Loving with Christ

SACRAMENTS!

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION will be celebrated by Bishop Peter Hundt on **Thursday, May 25, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

Instructions for Candidates only: (parish hall):

Sunday, February 5, 2017, 10:30 – 11:30 am

Sunday, March 5, 10:30 – 11:30 am

Retreat: Saturday, May 13- from 2 - 4:45 pm in our parish hall.

THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST

This Session will focus on First Reconciliation:

Thursday, February 16, 2017 at 7 pm. in the hall.

Celebration of First Reconciliation: choose either **Wednesday, March 8th or Thursday, March 9th** at 7 pm in the Church

PARISH COFFEE

Today, Sunday January 29th, immediately following the 9:30 a.m. Holy Mass.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven...” Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering being a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: mking@hamiltondiocese.com

PERMANENT DIACONATE

Men interested in learning about the Permanent Diaconate Formation program in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to attend the information session on **Sunday February 5, 2017** that will take place at The Chancery Office in Hamilton. The meeting will be held after 11:00 a.m. Mass. To register or for more information, please contact Deacon Peter Gittens at diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com or by telephone at 905-528-7988, ext. 2258.

BULLETIN INSERT

PERSONS SEPARATED AND DIVORCED

LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1) is a ten week support program starting Tuesday, February 28th (7:00 pm to 9:30 pm), at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. The program is for persons experiencing difficulties as a result of a separation or divorce. For more information, please contact the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249. Cost: \$35. **Past participants are welcome to inquire about further Levels programs starting the same week.**

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

“Keys” is a **ten 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 Thursday evenings from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. starting March 2nd, at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. The cost is \$45.00. **For more information, please call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249**

INAUGURATION of Purgatorian Society

Have you lost a loved one? Parents, Husbands, Wives, Brothers, Sisters Children and Friends?

Then join us at **St Pius X Church on February 8, 2017 at 6.30 pm** to pray for them.

The evening will start with Holy Mass at 6.30 pm, followed by other prayers.

The Souls in purgatory are in need of our prayers to help release them from their sufferings.

On this day the **PURGATORIAN SOCIETY WILL BE INAUGURATED**, other details will follow after Holy Mass and prayers.

Write the names of your loved ones, bring them with you and drop the names in the basket that will be

provided, we will present them to the Lord during Holy Mass. Come let us pray for our **LOVED ONES** there is power in **INTERCESSORY PRAYER**.

The prayers of the saints ascend to the Throne of God.

Parenting Tip 95

Spending quality time together will pay great dividends to all involved, especially our children. Time together allows for positive interaction, the ability to learn about each other and the chance to build strong bonds and memories. A great starting point is a shared family meal, but reading together, playing a board game, or working on a puzzle together are but a few of the many ways we can build connections. The result will be higher self-esteem for children, a greater cohesiveness in the family unit and the desire for more time as a family. Try it, you won't regret it!

(From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

Lectures in Catholic Experience at St. Jerome's University

Join us on **FRIDAY, February 10**, when **Mary Hynes**, the host of Tapestry, CBC-Radio's program about spirituality and the search for meaning, will reflect on the relationship between religion and the media.

Drawing on 14 years with Tapestry, Ms. Hynes will talk about how the religion beat can be the most rewarding — and the most frustrating — subject matter in journalism. The conversations can be profound, provocative, hilarious, and heart-breaking. But how do you write headlines for the inexpressible?

Location: Vanstone Lecture Theatre, Academic Centre (SJ2 1004), St. Jerome's University

Time: 7:30p.m. | Doors open at 6:45p.m.

Free of Charge | Free Parking | Wheelchair

MUSIC TRIVIA TOOK PLACE!

Another successful Music Trivia took place on Saturday in the parish hall. People commented how they loved coming to St. Basil's for Trivia and one even said she can't wait for the next one. Lots of good competition and laughs. A total of 62 people attended with 15 from the parish. If you haven't been to one check it out next time, you may be surprised as most are, how much fun it is. Many thanks to so many ladies who gave their time so willingly to help out the parish in this event, including the 2 bartenders who also gave of their time at no cost. You make it all work! Proceeds to the parish

I've learned . . . That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.