

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 15, 2018

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Mass Intentions this week



April 18 – 22, 2018

Please Note: Weekday Masses are Celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.

Wednesday 9:15 am (at Christ the King School)

Thursday 12:noon †Paula Morency, Steve Benich,
Blessings for Family Members

Friday 12:noon †Rosa Marchesand, Gaspare
and Isabella Diadamo

Saturday 5:00 pm †Deceased members of the
Deciantis Family, and Tony DeMarko,



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of: Guy & Lina Ferraccioli and deceased family members 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, April 16	Rev. Jim Valk, C.R.
Tuesday, April 17	Rev. Frank Reitzel, C.R.
Wednesday, April 18	Holy Ghost Congregation (Spiritans) (C.S.Sp.)
Thursday, April 19	Rev. Edwin Lapinski, C.R.
Friday, April 20	Rev. Pat Aiello, C.R.
Saturday, April 21	Rev. Patrick McKelvie, C.R.

OFFERTORY: Thank you!

Sunday Envelopes, April 8 th .	\$3,210.00
Loose Collections:	\$ 339.85
Average Weekly Preauthorized	\$ 485.00
Total Weekly Offering April 1	\$4,034.85
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

Third Sunday of Easter

What could convince someone to turn to God? The story that God became human? The story that Jesus cured the sick? The story that Jesus forgave sin? The story that Jesus rose from the dead? Or, perhaps, the story of the witness of your own life! If you have the continuing inclination that God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon. Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 x 2246. E-mail: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

MEDITATION

Imagine being one of the disciples in today's Gospel. You have just heard of Jesus' appearance on the road to Emmaus, which, along with the amazing story of the tomb, has given you a surge of hope. However, the grief and fear you felt during the crucifixion still remain in your heart. You want to believe that he has risen as he said, but a pall of paralyzing uncertainty hangs over everything.

Suddenly, he's in the room, standing right in front of you. Of course, he knows what you are feeling. "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts?" He asks. "Touch me and see." You do see.

Appearing before the disciples, Jesus gave them precisely what they needed for the next phase of their mission. He reassured and strengthened them by replacing their fear and uncertainty with peace and joy. He made the Scriptures intelligible to them so that they'd be able to pass on his wisdom.

Why do fear and doubt arise in our hearts when Jesus calls us to something new? His death was the ultimate proof that his love for us knows no bounds. Just as he prepared the disciples for their mission, so he will prepare us for ours.

Kate Larson, Ottawa, ON
Novalis, Living with Christ

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Retreat day is Saturday May 5th – 2 – 4:45 p.m., in our parish hall.

We continue to pray for you as you prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit on *Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

RETREAT:

Your child's First Communion prayer and practice will be *Saturday, April 21 or Saturday April 28th*, from 9:30 am to 11:00 a.m., in the Church.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be:

- The weekend of: April 21, 22, 2018 OR
- The weekend of April 28, 29, 2018 at all weekend Masses.

C.W.L. NEWS

C.W.L. general meeting: All women are invited to hear Father Earl talk about his mission trip to Guatemala, *Tuesday, April 24th*. Mass at 6:30 pm with meeting to follow immediately after Mass in the rectory meeting room.

CWL Convention May 25-27 at the Delta in Guelph: Today is the last day to register. Please contact Donna Kane 519-752-1331 if you want to attend.

C.W.L. Membership 2018 reminder – The Catholic Women's League is still accepting new Memberships and renewals for 2018.

Please use a plain envelope labelled C.W.L., include your name, phone no., home and e-mail addresses, \$21.00 cash or cheque made out to St. Basil C.W.L. Put envelope in Sunday's collection basket (or drop off at the Rectory) Thank you.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2018? You are cordially invited to the Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 10, 2018** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. Please refer to the poster in the church for more info or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

DAY of PRAYER

SISTERS OF SOCIAL SERVICE

11 Perthshire Court, Hamilton

Friday, April 27th 9:00 to 3:00 (Mass)

tea, coffee, muffins on arrival

(offering basket) Bring a bag lunch

To Register: please call or e-mail

905-388-3966

ssspertshire@sympatico.ca

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Weekly Grief Support Group:

Where : Every Wednesday until June 27, 2018

Where: "Yes" Church, 305 West Street

(Entrance on Henry St.)

Contact: **Karen 519-758-8807**. Refreshments

MURDER MYSTERY DINNER THEATRE

Death stalks the ACS Stage! On **Thursday, April 19th** at 6:00 pm, Assumption will host "**Irritation to a Murder**". The grade 11 drama class has been hard at work rehearsing for this fun event. Dinner will be provided and catered by the school's culinary arts classes. Audience members will have an opportunity to interact with the cast, ask questions and do some detective work of their own! Call Mrs. Naomi Ratelband at (519) 751-2030 (ext. 445) to obtain advanced tickets! All proceeds go to the Drama Department. Tickets are only \$15 for dinner and show. Tickets are available until Monday, April 16th.

THE RITE OF ORDINATION TO THE MINISTERIAL PRIESTHOOD:

- Grayson Nicholas Joseph Hope
- Christopher Michael Tracey
- Timothy Theriault

Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 11:00 A.M. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, 714 King Street West, Hamilton. ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!



SAN ROCCO ASSOCIATION SPAGHETTI NIGHT

Friday, April 27th, 2018, in St Pius X Church Hall from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Refreshments and desserts available. Tickets for children aged 5-12 cost \$6.00 while an Adult ticket costs \$8.00. Tickets available at the Parish Office.

The **Brantford Christian School Spring Membership Meeting is scheduled for May 10th, 2018 at 6:45pm**. Due to the construction of the school the meeting will be taking place at Hope Christian Reformed Church (64 Buchanan Crescent). BCS provides an amazing ministry of Christian education here in Brantford and children from your congregation attend and we would love your support! We will be updating and showing a slide show of the building project. For more information about the expansion of BCS please feel free to contact our Board Chairman, Mike Bekendam 519-752-0433. The Membership Agenda and Package will be ready by April 26, if you would like to receive a package please contact Monique Oosterhoff cm.oosterhoff@gmail.com or the BCS Office 519-752-0433.

FORUM FOR DIALOGUE – AT First Baptist Church, 70 West Street, Brantford, **May 9th, 2018 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.** (Coffee/Tea will be available)

Speaker: Dr. Aliya Khan. Dr. Khan is an internationally-recognized professor in the Department of Medicine at McMaster University. She has received numerous awards for excellence in research, teaching and patient care. Dr. Khan is involved in interfaith dialogue and humanitarian initiatives. She was responsible for building an orphanage and school for Syrian Refugee girls in Turkey. Dr. Khan regularly speaks at churches, synagogues and mosques.

TOPIC: "Abrahamic Faiths – Joining Hands for a Stronger Canada" Dr. Khan will focus on the core values and principles that unite Judaism, Christianity and Islam. She believes that understanding and friendship between the faith groups are crucial for world peace and for improving the strength and well-being of our community. For more info call 519-753-2406. Or visit www.firstbaptistbrantford.com.

