

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, June 26, 2016

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Mass Intentions this week

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

June 28 to July 3

- Tuesday 6:30 pm** †Frank Imola
- Wednesday 12:noon** †Peter Ferracioli
(Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul)
- Thursday 9:00 am** Staff Mass at Assumption College
- Friday 9:30 am** †Rob Terry, Holy Souls in
(In Church) (Canada Day) Purgatory
- Saturday 5:00 pm** †Elsie Minnery, Arthur Myers,
Josephine Giumelli, Anne Rose Sabatino



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of: Arthur Myers, and repose of his soul. 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, June 27	Rev. Edward Hinsperger
Tuesday, June 28	Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., D.D.
Wednesday, June 29	Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate (S.S.M.I.)
Thursday, June 30	Rev. Charles Schefter
Friday, July 1	Rev. Ken Miskiewicz
Saturday, July 2	Rev. Joseph LeClair

OFFERTORY for last week was \$2811.00 and our Budget expenses for the week \$5,580.00. Many thanks.

BULLETIN ADVERTISING

We now have 6 spaces available at the back of our bulletin for advertising. If you can fill these empty spaces, please call Bialas Printing at 519-752-4268. Thank you!

MINISTRY OF HOSPITALITY

Are we a welcoming Community?
Are we a parish family?
Do we know our fellow parishioners by name?
We would like to begin a ministry of greeting – this would entail arriving 15 minutes before Mass and welcoming people as they enter Church.
Please call the parish office and leave your name and phone number, or e-mail address. Thank you!
We will have an initial meeting in September.

MEDITATION

Today’s readings look at the nature of a calling. The first reading examines Elisha’s call to serve, while Paul’s Letter to the Galatians talks about the calling of all Christians to find freedom by living in the spirit. The gospel then tells us about Jesus setting his face to Jerusalem, about to begin his journey towards the end – his passion and death.

These passages underscore two important points about the nature of our summons as Christians. First a calling involves redirection. Elisha departs from what is familiar, leaving behind his fields and family to follow God. Paul calls us away from gratifying the desires of the flesh. Finally, Jesus orients himself through unfriendly territories (Samaria and ultimately Jerusalem).

The second point is made mostly clearly by the rejection of Jesus by the Samaritans. Following God’s path involves hardship and difficulty. Embracing God means letting go of the world. Jesus responded to rejection with love and compassion, showing us by example how to persevere in times of difficulty.

These readings point to our need for God’s grace. Without grace, the entire reorientation of our lives towards God is too great a struggle. Every time we gather for the Eucharist we take in spiritual nourishment so that we too, like Elisha and Jesus, will boldly follow God’s call, undeterred by those who are the hostile and unwelcoming Samaritans of our day.

Andrew Hume, Toronto, ON
Novalis, Living with Christ.

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE

All women are invited to the general meeting, Tuesday June 28th immediately following the 6:30 pm Mass in the rectory. This is the last meeting until September so please bring ideas for our meetings for 2016-2017 year. Social time, after the brief business portion, will include finger foods.

PARISH COFFEE – today, *Sunday June 26th* after the 9:30 am Mass. This is the last gathering until September.

PARISH VENDORS MARKETPLACE & BAZAAR
Coming up Sat, Oct 29, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

If you are a small entrepreneur and would like to sell your products at the Parish Marketplace please contact JoAnne at 519-754-4392 or email joanne.hodd@yahoo.ca. The table fee is \$25.00 and a small gift donation to the raffle table. Tables are limited so please don’t delay.

2017 ANNIVERSARIES

Recently a Committee of parishioners met to discuss possible Spiritual and Social Celebrations to honour two Special Anniversaries for our parish in 2017:

- 150 years for our parish church
- 175 years for our parish family! You will be informed as these events unfold and we invite your participation. Please let us know your ideas as well.
- If you have photos from the past, please submit them to our office – they would make an interesting collage.

2ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT:

Sign up now for our 2nd Annual Golf Tournament on *Sunday, September 25*, at 2:00 pm. We're glad to say Gator Bar-B-Q will be back with their delicious chicken dinner. Sign up for golf or dinner or both – don't be disappointed – only 60 golfers can play! Cost is: \$20.00 for golf plus \$5.00 for a cart; \$20.00 for dinner. Lots of room in the parish hall!

CAN YOU DONATE A PRIZE FOR THE GOLF TOURNAMENT?

The parish would greatly appreciate your help. Any small, unused prize would be appreciated. Golf balls, Tim Horton gift certificates are ideas. They can be dropped off at the rectory during business hours or at the back of church before week-end Masses. Many Thanks!

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, *July 8th to July 16th, 2016*. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to Carmel of Saint Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0.

Are you a Catechist? If you pass on the faith in children's sacramental prep, RCIA, your own family, adult faith groups, a Catholic school, correspondence courses, marriage prep, or other parish groups . . . then YOU are a catechist? Join us September 17th at the Notre Dame Convent 2:00 – 4:30 pm for our retreat "Announcing the Mercy of God" Bishop Miehm is our keynote speaker. For more info or to register visit www.hamiltondiocese.com – Year of Mercy Events or phone: 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 (Monica) There is no cost to attend but registration is required as space is limited.

This is our last bulletin until September. Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

THANK YOU!

We thank our Knights of Columbus for providing us with a delicious bar-b-q – supper last Saturday evening. It was a warm evening – even warmer for those who did the cooking! The hospitality was also warm!

CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext 2238 or check out our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register on line.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OUR LADY OF SCAPULAR CHURCH NIAGARA FALLS, ON.

The St. Pius X C.W.L. is organizing a trip to Our Lady of the Scapular Church, Niagara Falls, Ontario on **Wednesday, July 27th**. The bus leaves St Pius X parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 6:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Mass followed by time for lunch. Afterwards you will have the choice of either shopping at Outlet Collection in Niagara or going to the Casino. The cost of the trip is \$35.00. Tickets are available at St. Pius X parish office and are limited to 40 seats. For more information contact Rosanna Carrozzella at 519-752-5033.

ATTENTION MEN! Looking for a sense of meaning in your life? Have you ever thought 'there has got to be more to life than this? How can I improve the relationships that mean the most to me? This is a notice regarding an interactive, multimedia men's breakfast program focused upon the development of authentic male leadership. Discover what God inspired men are about, and how to become a better man, husband, and father! Stay tuned for further details coming this September!

YEAR OF MERCY – during this Year of Mercy send a card, flowers, gift or note to someone on the six-month anniversary of his or her loved one's death. By then most people have stopped recognizing their grief.

Jesus still speaks the invitation "Follow Me." Pray for the strength and the grace of discernment. If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.

SUMMER DRESS

Dress for worship and not the beach please. Liturgical Ministers are reminded that shorts are not allowed in the Sanctuary: Diocesan Policy. Let us focus on Christ and not on ourselves.