

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 23, 2017

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### Mass Intentions this week

*April 25 – April 30,*

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

**Tuesday 6:30 pm** †Joseph Rimlinger  
**Wednesday 12: noon** Intentions of Alex Terry  
**Thursday 1:30 pm** (John Noble Home)  
**Friday 12: noon** Intentions of Fr. Earl Talbot  
**Saturday 5:00 pm** †Nancy Ann Morin, Philip & Norma Wiszniowski, Janina & Marion Mochalski, Intentions of Fr. Don Sanvido



### Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of: Claude Jolin 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, April 24	Rev. Msgr. Edward House
Tuesday, April 25	Rev. William Trusz
Wednesday, April 26	Students
Thursday, April 27	Rev. Luc Samba
Friday, April 28	Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo
Saturday, April 29	Rev. David Wilhelm

### OFFERTORY: Thank you!

Easter Sunday, Envelopes	\$6,217.25
Loose Collections:	\$1,618.60
Average Weekly Preauthorized	<u>\$ 485.00</u>

Total Weekly Offering April 16, 2017 \$8,320.85

Budget expenses for the week \$4,265.00

### Second Sunday of Easter

“As the father has sent me, so I send you.” Will you respond to God’s call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-77988. E-mail: [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).

**MARCH FOR LIFE – May 11, 2017. Mass at 5:00 a.m. here at St. Basil Church, bus leaving from St. Basil Church at 5:30 a.m. for Ottawa, return by midnight. Please call Joe Bissonnette at 226-387-4527.**

### MEDITATION

Today’s Gospel presents a very dramatic story, describing astonishing events. The resurrected Jesus somehow passes through locked doors and appears before his disciples. Later, Thomas the Doubter is invited to put his fingers right into the mortal wounds in Jesus’ body to see for himself that the figure standing before them is truly their friend and teacher, who had been killed before their eyes just a few days earlier. These extraordinary moments offer important teachings, not just to the disciples, but to us, too.

But the most powerful teaching moment is also the quietest.

Jesus’ followers are hiding in terror, their hopes crushed, their spirits defeated, afraid for their very lives. All seems lost. Then Jesus is somehow among them and says these simple words: “Peace be with you.” Instantly their fear and dread are gone and in their place – joy.

Peace, inner peace, is the first gift the resurrected Jesus offers his disciples. Nourished by the peace of the Lord, this group of ordinary people will soon change the world.

And we, also ordinary women and men, also full of anxieties and disappointments, confused about the present and uncertain about the future, are offered the same gift. Right here, today, Jesus is saying to us, too, “Peace be with you.” We need only to open our hearts to receive it.

*Patrick Gallagher, Toronto, ON  
Novalis Living with Christ*

### FATIMA CENTENARY

**Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>** marks the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Mary’s first apparition at Fatima in Portugal.

We will celebrate Mass in Church at 11 am on that day, followed by the blessing of our Grotto and our new statue of Mary. All are welcome! Save the date!

How appropriate that it is also Mother’s Day weekend as Mary is Mother of Jesus and Mother of the Church.

Our Confirmation Candidates will gather for their retreat and rehearsal that same afternoon (2-4:45) Another gift!

**CEMETERY MASSES** – In a recent bulletin insert regarding Cemetery Masses, there are 7 listed. The Mass to be celebrated here at St. Joseph’s Cemetery is **Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.**

Since we had planned a special Mass on the same day, same time, at our Church for the Centenary of Our Lady of Fatima’s first appearance, we will still celebrate that. Sorry both Masses will occur simultaneously.

## **CONGRATULATIONS!**

We extend prayerful best wishes to Father Don Sanvido, our former pastor, as he celebrates his 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a priest on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

We also pray for God's blessing on his new assignment in Erin.

Also, we offer prayers for Bishop William McGrattan on the occasion of his 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a priest May 2<sup>nd</sup> and Congratulations in his new ministry of Bishop of Calgary. Bishop McGrattan will be with us on the May 20-21<sup>st</sup> weekend.

## **CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS**

**DIOCESAN CONVENTION** – May 26-28, Crowne Plaza Hotel in Kitchener. There is an information package on the CWL bulletin board at the back of the Church. Any member interested in attending is asked to contact Donna Kane (519-752-1331) before April 16<sup>th</sup>. Each person attending must pre-register or pay a \$10 late fee upon arrival at the sessions.

**Attention all women.** Don't miss out on the opportunity to enjoy the CWL's Annual Communion luncheon taking place on **May 7, 2017** in the Parish Hall. Teresa Hartnett, Director of the Family Ministry office of the Diocese of Hamilton, will be the guest speaker and the food will be provided by Martha's Catering. Tickets are \$15. Contact Jill Fediurek ([519-757-1077](tel:519-757-1077)) or Jan Welsh ([519-753-8950](tel:519-753-8950)) to order your ticket or visit us.

**C.W.L.** Are you concerned that you may not have a Catholic funeral service? All women are invited to a presentation by Jenny from Thorpe Brothers Funeral Home at our meeting this **Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**, in the rectory meeting room immediately following 6:30 pm Mass.

## **WANT TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS IN OUR ANNIVERSARY BULLETIN ?**

Spaces are Available. Please contact our printer for details. Bialas Printing 519-752-4268.

## **TENOR CONCERT featuring CHARLES Di RAIMONDO**

**Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm at St. Basil Church.** Join us as Charles Di Raimondo and local artists help us celebrate 175 years for St. Basil Parish. Experience the combination of great music and the wonderful acoustics of a beautiful old Gothic Revival Style Church. Concert Tickets: Adults \$20, Seniors \$15, Students \$10.

The event is sponsored by the St Basil Knights of Columbus. Tickets are available after Masses or by contacting 519-752-1331 or 519 484-2951.

**BRANT RIGHT TO LIFE** – Annual Dessert and Speaker Meeting, April 27, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in our parish hall with guest speaker Mrs. Jakki Jeffs, Executive Director of Alliance for Life Ontario. There will be a Good Will offering. All are welcome!

## **12 HOURS OF PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE:**

All parishioners, family and friends are invited to join the Catholic Women's League in quiet prayer on **Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**, during the hours of **8 am – 8 pm** in St. Basil Chapel, entrance located at the rear of the rectory. A Mass will be celebrated in the Church at noon. This nationwide endeavor is a profound witness to the sanctity of human life. Please confirm your commitment by signing the sheet located at the back of the Church.

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** will be celebrated by Bishop Hundt on **Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** Retreat: Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 2 – 4:30 pm in our parish hall.

**THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST** will be Celebrated today and **April 29 and 30<sup>th</sup>** Prayer and Practice – 9:30 am – 11 am on the Saturday morning of your chosen weekend of First Holy Communion. We begin in the Church.

## **CARNATION SALE**

In order to honour Mary for the month of May, the Parish will be selling Carnations at the back of the Church after all Masses the weekend of April 29 and 30<sup>th</sup> at \$3.00 each.

## **TRUTH: The Road to Reconciliation**

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH** – Forum for Dialogue May 17, 2017 – 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Coffee/Tea will be available) Speaker: Chief Ava Hill  
Chief Ava Hill was elected Chief of the 56<sup>th</sup> Elected Council of the Six Nations of the Grand River on Nov. 16, 2013. Ava has experience working with many First Nations and Aboriginal Organizations in Canada. She served in a variety of positions with the Chiefs of Ontario Office, the Assembly of First Nations and the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples. Chief Hill has also been active on international files attending the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues for the past few years.

Join us for an informative presentation and discussion!  
For more info contact 519-753-2406 or visit our website at: [www.firstbaptistbrantford.com](http://www.firstbaptistbrantford.com).

## **DIOCESAN YOUTH RALLY!**

On **Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**, our youth ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton is celebrating a Youth Rally at Camp Brébeuf in Rockwood, ON.

This is an “all day” event (9 am – 9 pm) and is for youth grades 7 and up. If you are interested in attending, please sign up next weekend after Masses. We can carpool. Parents need to sign a form re; “photograph consent, acknowledgement, waiver and release for Minors.”

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Our parish Mission will be held this coming *May 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>*, Each evening at 7 pm – a session.

Our Speaker is Father Eugene O'Reilly, C.Ss.R., affectionally known as "Red". Fr. O'Reilly was born in Monaghan, Ireland in 1944. He came to Canada with his family and later joined the Redemptorists. Upon graduating with a B.A. from the University of Windsor, he pursued his theological studies in France and Montreal and was ordained in 1972. Since 1983 he has preached Missions and retreats to Parishes, teachers, School Boards, Clergy and Religious throughout Canada and the O.S. He has also served in St. John's, Newfoundland as Pastor of a large Parish. He has been Vocation Director for the Redemptorists in the Eastern Province. He has a particular interest in music, and has composed a number of religious songs. Some of his music is in the Catholic Book of Worship and the Grade four and five Religion Programme in Canada. He has teamed up with other Redemptorists, and together they have produced four recordings.

Mission Preaching is Fr. Red's full time ministry and he brings to it a ready smile, a wonderful sense of humour and a compassionate understanding of people and the complex world in which we live.

**ALSO**, that week the beautiful St. John's Bible will be on display in our Church!

## **RAISING RESPONSIBLE AWESOME KIDS!**

*Thursday April 27, 2017* at Assumption College School, 257 Shellard Lane. Appetizers/Refreshments: 6:00 pm

Presentation: 7:00 p.m. - Parents won't want to miss this opportunity! Gary will speak in the afternoon with students about their life experiences and the challenges they encounter every day. At the evening session, Gary will reveal to parents what he found out; what the REAL issues are that our children are dealing with. He will provide insight as to what they need, how we can HELP and what some SOLUTIONS are, as well as provide insights and share key strategies for achieving happiness while raising responsible, AWESOME kids.

Space is limited so registration by *April 19<sup>th</sup>* is mandatory. A complementary bus will be leaving St. Bernard, Waterford at 5:30 p.m. No cost, adult-supervised childcare is available during the event. Please indicate interest during your online registration To register visit [www.bhncdsb.ca](http://www.bhncdsb.ca) or call 519-756-6505 ext. 237.

## **PERMANENT DIACONATE FORMATION**

Men interested in learning about the Permanent Diaconate Formation program in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to attend the information session on ***Sunday May 7, 2017*** that will take place at St. Michael Church in Waterloo. 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](mailto:diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com) or by telephone at 905-528-7988, ext. 2258.

## **CONGRATULATIONS –**

To our children who are receiving their First Holy Communion both this weekend and next at our Sunday Celebrations, may God continue to nourish and bless you.

Blessings too on your parents, grandparents, other family members and friends!

We as a parish Family continue our prayers for you.

## **ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY**

**Notice of annual general meeting** – The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Particular Council of Brant will be held: ***Tuesday May 9, 2017, 6:30 p.m.*** at St. Pius X Hall, 9 Waverly Street for the purpose of

- Receiving the financial statements for the period ending Dec. 31, 2016
- Transacting such further or other business including receiving the report of the Corporation as may properly come before the meeting, or any adjournment thereof.

The Board will be providing an update on the Next Store Project.

## **ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

The Waterdown Stop Human Trafficking Committee Presents CRISIS: The Porn culture, April 29, 2017 ,9:00 am – 1:00 pm PRESENTER: Michelle Brock, Co-founder of Hope for the sold ([www.hopeforthesold.com](http://www.hopeforthesold.com)) Co-Director of "Over 18" – a 52 minute documentary film – will be shown. The film features many "players" in the porn industry and how pornography affects Canadians, especially the youth. Recommended age is 17+ - more info is available at: [oer18doc.com/](http://oer18doc.com/)

Presenter: Glendyne Gerrard, CEO of Defend Dignity ([defenddignity.ca](http://defenddignity.ca)) How porn leads to a sexually exploitive culture and increases the DEMAND for prostitution and human trafficking.

Both speakers will provide practical ways for parents, teachers and the general public to respond. Q & A and discussion will follow. Location: Notre Dame Centre Emmaus Room, 1921 Snake Road, Burlington, On L7P 4Y1. Pre-Registration required call 289-813-0703 or [e-mailstophumantraffickingwaterdown@gmail.com](mailto:e-mailstophumantraffickingwaterdown@gmail.com).

Registration fee: \$10. Adults (pay on arrival to the Conference).

## **DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? On **Sunday, June 25, 2017**, at 1:30 pm, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required). Please refer to the poster on our bulletin board for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

## **CONGRATULATIONS**

The Brant Haldimand Norfolk Catholic District School Board will honour one student from each school at their annual Catholic Student Leadership Awards evening. Award Recipients are being recognized for living out catholic virtues in their parish, at school and in the community. Congratulations to:

Maria De Lazzari Carter      Christ the King School  
Charlotte LaPointe      St. Gabriel School

The Very Reverend Cornelius O'Mahony, Vicar for Education of the Diocese of Hamilton, will preside over this prestigious event being held on Thursday, May 4 at Assumption college School in Brantford.

The Board would like to express its sincerest appreciation to the families and parish for their role in the home-parish-school triad and the continued support of our Catholic education system.

**TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017. 1 – 5 PM  
AND 7 -9 PM**

***Conference: Conscience Rights and Healthcare***

### ***Professionals***

The Coop in Brennan Hall, University of St Michael's College, 81 St. Mary Street

Speakers include: Bishop Ronald Fabbro, Diocese of London, Dr Moira McQueen, Executive Director, CCBI, Christina Lamb, RN, PhD, Philosophy of Nursing \$60.

**MAY 3, 10, 17, AND 24 FOR PEOPLE  
IN THE PEWS**

Speaker: Dr Moira McQueen (An introduction to Catholic bioethics – see below)

St Mark Roman Catholic Parish, Kitchener; 519-571-9200; [stmark@rogers.com](mailto:stmark@rogers.com)

#### ***1. A Catholic Perspective on Ethics***

Foundations of Catholic ethics, bioethics: Scripture and Tradition; Natural Law; Conscience

#### ***2. Reproductive Issues***

Personhood; Reproductive technologies; Stem cell research and cloning

#### ***3. End-of-Life Issues, Euthanasia and Assisted Dying***

Withdrawal of treatment; Prolonging life; Pain and suffering; Terminal sedation; Health-care directives

#### ***4. Euthanasia Physician-assisted suicide Palliative care; Sacrament of the Sick; Spiritual needs***

Watch *Catholic Bioethics Moments* ... Drs Moira McQueen and Bridget Campion explain Church teaching about mainstream issues in bioethics. [www.ccbi-utoronto.ca](http://www.ccbi-utoronto.ca)  
[bioethics.usmc@utoronto.ca](mailto:bioethics.usmc@utoronto.ca) - 416 353 4224

## **"Grief Relief"**

**Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? You are not alone!**

**Join us at "Grief Relief"** - a six week educational and support series dealing with grief.

**When:** Tuesdays, May 2- 30 and June 6 **Time:** 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

**Where:** Diocese of Hamilton Chancery Office – 700 King St. West, Hamilton  
(next to the Cathedral Basilica)

## **OR**

**When:** Wednesdays, May 3- 31 and June 7  
**Time:** 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

**Where:** Holy Rosary Parish – 287 Plains Road East, Burlington  
[www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

## **Cursillo Weekends**

Cursillo, designated by the Vatican as a renewal movement of the Church, has been for many people, a powerful instrument in effecting a new and deeper awareness of what Christianity means in their lives. The three-day weekend provides an experience of a dynamic Christian community where the teachings of Christ are presented and discussed in a spirit of joy and celebration. This year the Cursillo weekends in the Diocese of Hamilton are as follows:

- Women's: October 12-15, 2017

- Men's: October 26-29, 2017

Attention Cursillistas: Do you recall your own Cursillo experience? This is a reminder to share the gift of your experience by sponsoring a friend. It is a gesture of love. "Bring a friend to Jesus!"

For information, please contact: Dan Brown (519) 570-4105 or Ann Staines (519) 669-9606

Or visit our website: <http://cursillohamilton.org/>.

**ST. THERESA SCHOOL** will be having a Mother's Day Bingo **on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017** at Assumption College. Doors will open at 6 p.m. Bingo starts at 7 p.m. Must be 18 years or older.

## **CHILDREN ARE QUICK**

Teacher: Glenn, how do you spell 'crocodile?'

Glenn: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L

Teacher: No, that's wrong

Glenn: Maybe it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.