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**Mass Intentions this week**



**September 26 – Oct 1, 2017**

**Tuesday: 6:00 pm** †Orville Smith  
(at *St. Pius X Church*)

**Wednesday: 10:00 am** †James Merrill  
(in Church) with **Christ the King School**

**Thursday: 10:00 am** †Francisca Truong  
(in Church) with **St. Basil School**

**Thursday: 1:30 pm** Mass of Thanksgiving  
(at **John Noble**)

**Friday: 10:00 am** Intentions of Florence Myers  
(in Church) with **St. Gabriel School**

**Saturday 5:00 pm** †John Doucette, Justin Smith,  
Conrad Viau, Maria Nazare, Manuel Simões



**Sanctuary Lamp** this week

Intentions of: Teresa Walsh. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket. Thank you.

**DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

***This week we especially pray for:***

- Monday Rev. Gerald Mulhall
- Tuesday Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., D.D.
- Wednesday: Sisters of St. Joseph (C.S.J.)
- Thursday Rev. James McSharry
- Friday Rev. William Clarke, S.J.
- Saturday Rev. Daniel Dsyauswa, S.J.

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.

**OFFERTORY: Thank you!**

Envelopes	\$3,029.00
Loose Collections:	\$ 598.90
Average Weekly Preauthorized	\$ 485.00
Total Weekly Offering Sept 17, 2017	\$4,112.90
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

**Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Seek the Lord while he may be found..." While searching, listen; could it be that you are being called to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, e-mail: [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com)

**MEDITATION**

We live in a culture that wants us to believe that our personal wealth, influence or possessions are what make us valuable. We are encouraged to compete, to measure ourselves against our friends, loved ones and neighbours. Who has more money? Who has a nicer car? Who works harder? We are greedy and fearful because it is a precarious way to live – at any given moment we could lose our place to someone who has hoarded more.

In today's parable of the wealthy landowner, we are shown a different kind of life. God's generosity offers all laborers the same share in the kingdom of heaven. Boundless, infinite, overflowing – the ability of God to give is beyond our ability to understand. Through his love, we are not measured on scales, but rather we are invited to live humbly, to take what we have earned and share what we can with others, all for the glory of the kingdom.

Each of us has a decision to make. Do we spend our lives competing and living with the fear of being found wanting? Or do we choose a life of generosity, service and humility, taking our fair share and holding out our hands to help those marginalized by society? Let us choose generosity, following the example found in today's Gospel.

Fr. Matthew Durbam, CSB, Windsor, On\  
Novalis, Living with Christ

**C.W.L. NEWS:**

***Saturday, Sept 30:*** Fall rummage sale. Please drop off donations in the parish hall on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>.

**SAVE THE DATE**

Here is a list of our remaining events to celebrate our parish's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:

**THANKSGIVING WEEKEND**

Grand Finale! Bishop Crosby will celebrate Mass at 5 pm on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>. Thanksgiving supper to follow in our parish hall. Several former pastors will be in attendance, and some Religious Sisters.

**On November 5<sup>th</sup>** we have added another event!

It is a music recital by 17 year old, Cecelia Kowara from Chicago, Ill., accompanied by Roger Bayley. Price: Will be a free will offering to St. Basil Parish.

**THANKSGIVING TURKEY BINGO!**

Assumption College School Cafeteria, 257 Shellard Lane, Brantford, on Thursday, October 5. Doors open at 6pm; BINGO at 7pm. Grocery Store gift cards, cash and fabulous Raffle Prizes! Goodies and refreshments. Free admission; dabbers available. Proceeds go to Music Department. Bring a friend - must be 18 yrs. of age.

## **RCIA!**

This is an acronym for the “Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults.”

Primarily it is a process intended for adults who have never been Baptized, but it may also include those Baptized in other Christian Communion who wish to belong to the Roman Catholic faith by being Confirmed and receiving Holy Communion.

Anyone interested in participating as a Candidate or enquirer is asked to come to the Rectory (use the entrance near the garage) at **6:30 pm on Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you. Invite someone along!

## **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

This year, *St. Pius X Conference* welcomes you on **Tuesday September 26, 2017 at 6 p.m.** to join in the Mass in the church at 9 Waverly St., Brantford.

## **CALLING NEW ALTAR SERVERS!**

Have you received your First Holy Communion?

Ask your parents if they would support you in this ministry of love.

We will have a training session on **Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 11 am in the church**. This will be followed by a pizza lunch in the rectory. (Parents are invited to pizza too!)

Please call the parish office if you are interested, or e-mail us. Thank you!

**F**or more than 150 years, Ontario’s publicly funded Catholic schools have been a distinctive, highly successful and valued contributor to our public education system. The Together in Faith campaign amplifies that message by promoting our Catholic school students’ achievements in academics, social justice, and Christian service. Parishioners are invited to join the campaign to strengthen publicly funded Catholic education in Ontario – add your name to the “Together in Faith” community list at [www.togetherinfaith.ca](http://www.togetherinfaith.ca). Follow the campaign on Twitter (@Catholicedu) and on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/CatholicEducationInOntario](http://www.facebook.com/CatholicEducationInOntario)) and help us share the Good News!

**LIFE CHAIN:** The annual Brant Life Chain is set for the first Sunday in October, namely **October 1<sup>st</sup> from 2 – 3 pm, along St. Paul Avenue and King George Road to Hwy 403**. The signs provided read Abortion Kills Children and Jesus Forgives and Heals. You are invited to participate.

## **SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN**

You are always welcome in our Church! Parents can ask Father Earl about preparation for the Sacraments. There are also resources for parents available from our Diocese (see the pamphlets on the “welcome table” in Church), and “tips for Mass” (also on the table).

## **SHOE BOXES**

Will be available the weekend of October 15<sup>th</sup>. More information to follow.

## **Pornography Addiction among Children and Teens...It’s Time to Talk**

Pornography is impacting children and teens at rates never before seen. By the age of 18, 90% of young people have viewed pornography on the internet, far too many are watching these violent and degrading images regularly; many are becoming addicted. **Come and learn more about the issue, its impact on our children and how you can protect your children, grandchildren, students and all children.** The information will come to light through discussion and viewing of the documentary **Over 18** (view the trailer at [www.over18doc.com/](http://www.over18doc.com/)). **Over 18 will be shown free of charge at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Friday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 P.M.** The mature content (be assured there are no graphic visuals) means that only those age 18 or over should attend. For more information please contact: Teresa Hartnett (Director of Family Ministry) at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250, or Teresa DiFalco (CWL President - Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish) at 905-643-6819. This educational session is sponsored by the Diocese of Hamilton Family Ministry Office.

## **MUSIC MINISTRY**

Choir practice resumes **Wednesday, September 27 at 7 pm in the church**. New members who love to sing or play an instrument are invited to join the music ministry. Please reach out to David Cahill at 519-484-2951 or [gizmo0514@yahoo.ca](mailto:gizmo0514@yahoo.ca)

**St. Pius X BAZAAR** – **October 14<sup>th</sup> – 9 am to 2 pm**  
Italian Deli (Eat in or take out), Knitting, crafts, Jewelry table, Bake sale and preserve table, Attic reassures, Grocery Basket Draw, Grand Draw! Etc.

All are invited for a pilgrimage day for the **100th Celebration of the Last Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Waterdown. October 14, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

There will be Mass, lunch and outdoor procession with Stations of the Cross and benediction.

\*\* Please make sure to bring a bagged lunch

A plenary indulgence will be given to all who perform all the obligations.

Please visit [www.stthomaswaterdown.com](http://www.stthomaswaterdown.com) for more details.

## **A LITTLE CHUCKLE:**

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