



## THE POPE'S MARCH INTENTIONS FOR 2019

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.



**BAPTISM:** During the month of February, the following children became members of God's family in the sacrament of baptism:

Contessa Evelyn Lernout      Claire Marie Nosal      Calvin Darryl Waisman

**St. Teresa Parish Lenten Retreat**, 44 Leonard Street, Kitchener will take place from Sunday, March 31st – Wednesday, April 3rd. Mass will begin the retreat at 7 pm on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Our retreat master is Father David Perrin from St. Jerome's University. All are welcome.

**OUR "DOLL LADY" HAS RETIRED** For many years a very special lady has helped Canadian Food for Children-Kitchener Depot by repairing dolls that have been donated to us. The "Doll Lady" has retired and we have broken, worn dolls who need help. They need washing, combing and dressing. Then they will bring great joy to children in the Third World who would love to have them. Are you interested? Please contact Linda Lou Pinnington at 519-894-5046 or pinn@golden.net.

**HEARTACHE TO HEALING – ST. MICHAEL'S GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** – 6 week support group beginning May 1<sup>st</sup>. St. Michael's 6 week grief support group sessions will be available again starting May 1<sup>st</sup>. The program assists those who have lost a loved one, or another significant loss. This program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. The sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30pm (May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5), at St. Michael's, 80 University Ave. W. Waterloo. There is no fee, but you must register by April 12<sup>th</sup>. To register, or for more information, please contact the parish office 519-884-9311.

**LENTEN PROJECT:** Saturday, April 6, 2019 at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre (58 St. Charles St. E., Maryhill) at 10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Guest speaker is Anna Krysciak, chaplain at the University of Guelph and a much respected speaker. Her topic is "How do we save ourselves – Our Salvation". Refreshments and a snack will be provided at break. A small free-will offering would be appreciated. All welcome. Please call (519) 648-2939 with numbers so we have an approximate idea of attendance.



**MIRACLES HAPPEN EVERY DAY:** a CWL Women's Retreat on Sat., March 30th, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at St. Louis Church, 53 Allen Street East., sponsored by the four Waterloo Catholic Women's Leagues. Celebration of the Eucharist: 9:00 a.m. then enjoy a Lenten time reflecting on the beauty and joy of seeing miracles all around us each day. Facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett (Director of Family Ministry for Diocese of Hamilton) Refreshments will be served. No attendance fee or prior registration necessary. All women welcome. Questions? Call: 519 745-3032.



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<b>PASTOR:</b>	<b>Rev. Rafal Tomon</b>
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<b>ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:</b>	<b>Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek</b>
	<b>Monday to Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.</b>
	<b>Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.</b>
<b>SUNDAY MASSES:</b>	<b>Saturday 7:00 p.m.</b>
	<b>Sunday 9:00 &amp; 11:00 a.m.</b>
	<b>Sunday 2:00 p.m. Vietnamese Martyrs Community</b>
	<b>Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.</b>
<b>SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:</b>	<b>By appointment – please phone the parish office</b>
<b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:</b>	<b>Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to noon</b>
	<b>Twenty minutes before weekday Masses or by appointment</b>
<b>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:</b>	<b>By appointment – please phone the parish office</b>
<b>BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS:</b>	<b>Last Sunday of each month after all Masses</b>
<b>ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:</b>	<b>Church door collections – last Sunday of each month</b>

## Announced Mass intentions for March 18 to March 24, 2019

Monday.....	8:30 a.m. ....	+Vern Dorscht – Dorscht Family
Tuesday... .	7:00 p.m. ....	+Sister Virginia Hanlon – Kathleen Sehl
Wednesday .....	8:30 a.m. ....	+Vern Gonsalves – Jackie Gonsalves
Thursday .....	7:00 p.m. ....	+Vincent Brown – Jocelyne Legault
Friday .....	8:30 a.m. ....	+David Corke – Agnes Corke
Friday .....	7:00 p.m. ....	Stations of the Cross
Saturday.....	7:00 p.m. ....	+Dale Melchin – Fran & Family
Sunday.....	9:00 a.m. ....	Living & deceased members of our parish
	11:00 a.m. ....	Special intention

**Offertory collection for Sunday, March 10, 2019: \$4,840.25**

[Note: This amount does not include donations received through pre-authorized giving.]



**‘One Heart, One Soul’ campaign nears kickoff!**  
Months of preparation are leading us to the next step of the *One Heart, One Soul* Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton. A public kickoff Mass will be held at noon on Monday, March 25, Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, at the

Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, and followed by a reception at the Cathedral. The campaign’s Pilot Wave parishes will be holding kickoffs for their own efforts in April. Three additional waves over the next two years will allow every parish in the diocese to participate. Most of the funds from the three-year campaign will go to parish projects, with a special emphasis on the parishes most in need. A number of diocesan ministries will benefit as well. A series of Frequently Asked Questions about the campaign can be found on the campaign website – [www.oneheartonesoul.ca](http://www.oneheartonesoul.ca).

**REEL JUSTICE:** On March 19<sup>th</sup>, the film “Poverty, Inc.” will be shown at St. Michael’s Church, 80 University Avenue, West, Waterloo, at 7:30pm. The film focuses on the challenge of fighting poverty; however, this effort has led to a vast multi-billion dollar poverty industry — the business of doing good has never been better. Drawing from over 200 interviews filmed in 20 countries, Poverty, Inc. unearths an uncomfortable side of charity we can no longer ignore. The film is sponsored by The Diocese of Hamilton and Development and Peace. Free admission. All are welcome.

**RELIC OF ST. JUNIPERO SERRA** will be at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish starting Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Everyone is welcome to come to that sacristsy for veneration of this special relic. We are invited to pray through the intercession of St. Junipero Serra, for more priests and religious, as well as for all of us, lay people, so that we too will walk in the direction that God is calling us, or to strengthen our own vocational call. Most importantly, our prayers can be lifted up for the young people of our community that they may have the strength and fortitude to heed God’s Call and for us to assist and nurture these young people in their vocational call.

**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 8192** is hosting a **FISH FRY** on **Friday, March 22, 2019** at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall, 19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira. There will be continuous seating – 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Take-out will be at 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. Cost is Adults \$16.00; Children (12 & under) \$8.00; and Take Out is \$16.00. Advanced tickets are available until March 20<sup>th</sup>. Purchase your tickets at St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9:00 a.m. and 1 p.m. or call (519) 669-3387. Don’t miss out on this popular annual dinner. Proceeds go to the Knights of Columbus Charities.



**PRAYING WITH THE LABYRINTH: The Catholic Women’s League** invites everyone in the parish to a *Lenten pilgrimage* in our parish hall on **Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, after the 7:00 p.m.** Mass. Centuries ago, pilgrims who were unable to go to Jerusalem, would make a symbolic pilgrimage, following the path of the labyrinth in their own cathedrals. On March 28<sup>th</sup>, we invite you to try this prayerful experience by putting on your indoor walking shoes and joining us in making that journey on a labyrinth in the parish hall. Praying with the labyrinth may help us see our own faith journey towards God and how we carry that faith to the world. Charlie Van Alphen, a retired principal and religion consultant in the Catholic School Board, will be our facilitator. Everyone is welcome.



**We mourn those who have gone before us in death and continue with us in the Communion of Saints.**

+ Joseph Bayer .....March 8, 2019



**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER ARE COMING!**

**Please consider volunteering for one or both of the following opportunities:**

**HOLY THURSDAY – WASHING OF THE FEET:** Jesus and his disciples had gathered around the table for the Last Supper. In Jesus’ time, before sitting down to eat a meal, everyone would have their feet washed. This was done because after walking throughout the day in sandals on dirt roads, a person’s feet became very dirty. The washing of feet before a meal was the proper and hygienic thing to do. Normally, the servant of the house was responsible for washing the feet of those present. From the biblical account it appears that no servant was present as Jesus and the disciples entered the house and prepared to eat. None of the disciples volunteered to wash feet. In a move that surprised and humbled the disciples, Jesus got up, poured water into a basin, took a towel and washed his disciples’ feet. When he was finished, John writes in his gospel these words of Jesus, “Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have set you an example that you should do as I have done to you.” (John 13:14-15). 12 Volunteers of all ages are needed to participate in this ritual at the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on April 18 at 7:30 p.m. Please contact the parish office at 519-886-0342 or [lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com).

**MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY (USHERS):** Our ushers and other women and men who would like to assist in welcoming the people on Good Friday (April 19), Easter Vigil (April 20) and Easter Sunday (April 21), are asked to contact the parish office to let us know at which liturgies you are able to help.

**ADORATION FOR LIFE** Tuesday, March 19th, (in Spanish) 6:15 p.m. before the 7:00 p.m. Holy Mass, St. John’s RC Church 85 Strange St. Kit. Thursday April 4th, 11:00 a.m.-11:40 a.m. at St. Mary Our Lady of Seven Sorrows RC Church 56 Duke St. W. Kit. Mass 12:00 p.m. Thursday, April 4th, 6:00 p.m. followed by 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Agnes RC Church 75 Bluevale St. N. Waterloo Friday April 5th, 6:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. St. Teresa RC Church Adoration Chapel 44 Leonard St. Kit. Mass 7:00 p.m. Thanks for all you do for “the poorest of the poor” and who support this important mission. Jane Richard KW Right to Life President 215 Lancaster St. W. Kitchener ON N2H 4T9

*Welcome to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish*

*WELCOME: to new parishioners or those joining us for the first time. We are happy to have you here with us. Please take some time to fill out a registration form available at the entrances of the church so we might know who you are.*