



THE POPE'S SEPTEMBER INTENTIONS FOR 2019

The Protection of the Oceans That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER, St. Agatha September 15th, 2019. At 12:00 noon gather at the Bank of Montreal Plaza 650–668 Erb Street West, first right past the Erb St. & Ira Needles Blvd. round-a-bout. Park in the Bank of Montreal BMO parking lot behind the bank. Pilgrimage begins at 12:30pm. We walk to St. Agatha Church for a break followed by Mass at 3:00 p.m. Rosary at 2:45 p.m. Theme: “Spread everywhere The Memory of My Dolors and the Passion of My Jesus” Celebrant: TBD.. Walk one way only. Receive a ride back by anyone who participates in the Mass only. Open to everyone. Seven Sorrows Rosary & Prayers available for sale. Call 519.744.8330 for information.



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Mrs. Patrycja Wiecek
Monday to Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment – please phone the parish office

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to noon
Twenty minutes before weekday Masses or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment – please phone the parish office

BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS:

Last Sunday of each month after all Masses

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL:

Church door collections – last Sunday of each month



SAVE A DATE – SEPT 29, 2019: our CWL is hosting a FASHION SHOW at 5:00 p.m. with clothing by UNIQUE BOUTIQUE: Tickets: \$25.00. Please invite your friends and family. Proceeds will be donated to charities that the CWL sponsors. Tickets are now on sale; please see Patrycja at the parish office. For more information please contact via email ourladyoflourdescwl@gmail.com



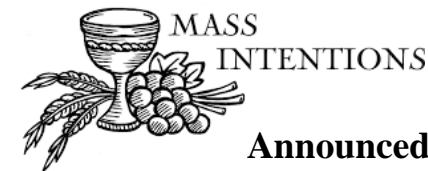
‘One Heart, One Soul’ kickoff coming soon! The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the One Heart, One Soul Campaign to raise money for every parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Our parish is in the current wave of parishes participating in the campaign, and our

campaign Kickoff Weekend is scheduled for Sept. 21-22. Here are a few Frequently Asked Questions as we near the kickoff. A compilation of all the FAQs are available throughout the campaign at oneheartonesoul.ca.

How were the parish financial goals established? Each parish’s campaign goal is established by the costs associated with the projects they want to achieve. However, the campaign’s Clergy Committee established a minimum threshold for each parish’s campaign target – namely, the parish’s 2017 combined offertory and building fund collections. This ensures that parish campaigns are large enough to achieve meaningful parish projects, while also remaining an achievable target relative to each parish community’s capacity. It also ensures that the ministries shared by the parishes are funded in a significant way.

How does the campaign and the Diocese handle privacy of information? The Diocese of Hamilton takes seriously the responsibility to maintain strong privacy protection for personal information. As an initiative of the Diocese, the campaign abides by the Diocesan Privacy Policy, which can be reviewed by visiting hamiltondiocese.com/privacy.php.

Why do you emphasize personal visits to parishioners? Personal, face-to-face contact remains the single best way to ask for support. It emphasizes the personal nature of giving, allows for a thorough presentation of the campaign case, gives potential donors the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback, and allows volunteers to express their own enthusiasm.



Announced Mass intentions for Sept 9 to Sept 15, 2019

Monday..... 8:30 a.m. +Claude Vincent – Charmaine & Frank Volpini & Family
Tuesday... .. 7:00 p.m. +Harris Family – Ada Harris
Tuesday... **Luther Village**..... 10:00 a.m. +Paul E. Dion – Michele Daviau
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.Special intention of Mike & Andrea Manera – Joan & Jim
..... O’Doherty
Thursday 7:00 p.m.... . +George & Anna Michael – George & Margaret Stec
Friday 8:30 a.m. +Doris & Sheldon Groce – Mary Lou & Milne Oakes,
..... Nancy Collins
Saturday..... 7:00 p.m. +Joe Stumpf – Stumpf Family
Sunday..... 9:00 a.m.....Living & deceased members of our parish
11:00 a.m.....Special intention

Offertory collection for Sunday, September 1, 2019: \$3,986.25

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

Monthly Budget Review as of Aug 31, 2019

Cumulative financial objective – 34 weeks @ \$7,500		\$255,000.00
Weekly contributions (year to date)	\$154,275.25	
Pre-authorized giving (year to date)	<u>93,270.93</u>	<u>247,546.17</u>
Over (under) objective.....		(\$7,453.83)



A BUS TRIP TO BUFFALO: St. Joseph Cathedral and Walden Galleria Shopping Mall, St. Joseph Cathedral was established by Buffalo's first bishop, John Timon, in 1847 and dedicated in 1855. Today, it is the spiritual center for the Catholic community of the Diocese of Buffalo in Western New York. Because of its downtown location, St. Joseph is playing an important role in the current revival of the City of Buffalo.

Walden Galleria is more than a mall: it's Buffalo-Niagara region's premier shopping, dining, and entertainment center. Walden Galleria offers two levels of premium retail brands. Mass at the Cathedral at 4:30 p.m., followed by time in the afternoon to enjoy the grounds. The bus trip will take place on **Saturday, Oct 19**. Cost of \$55 includes deluxe motor coach transportation. A stop will be made on the way home for supper on your own. To book a seat or for additional information, contact Patrycja Wiecek at 519-886-0342 by September 20.



THE SENIORS' SOCIAL GROUP will resume activities in the parish hall on September 10 at 1:30 p.m. Come and enjoy an afternoon of Progressive Euchre. All senior parishioners are welcome.

Healthy Relationships Share Common Skills – Come and Learn More!

“Keys to Loving Relationships” is a ten week video-based program that all people (married, dating, or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better “me” in all your relationships! The program is offered in Kitchener and Hamilton as follows: **In Kitchener:** At St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. Sept. 24 – Nov. 26, 2019 (519-571-9200) **In Hamilton:** At the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton Thursday evenings from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. Sept. 19 - Nov. 28, 2019. Cost is \$45.00. For information or to register call (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or visit www.hamiltondiocese.com.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP: Starting this fall, Deacon Phong and Jocelyn Hoang will be leading a High School Youth Group for students in grades 9 to 12 on the last Friday evening of each month. Would you like to gather with other high school students from the parish to share snacks and fellowship, to explore your faith, and to discuss the questions you may have? You are invited to the first meeting on Friday, October 25th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the church office meeting room. The video and icebreakers will focus on the topic of "Who is Jesus?" Please sign up on Coffee Week-End or contact maryjanedavison@hotmail.com if you have questions or would like to be added to the email list for group updates and reminders.



SEPTEMBER 21/22 – COFFEE WEEKEND



On the weekend of September 21/22, you are invited to our first coffee weekend since before the summer. Plan to attend – there will be a lot going on!

You will have an opportunity to learn about various volunteer opportunities and parish groups in the parish. Parishioners will be available to answer all your questions about . . .

- the music ministry (choirs at the 9 and 11 Sunday Masses, funeral choir, serving as cantor at Mass)
- the St. Vincent de Paul Society
- children's Liturgy of the Word (at 9 and 11 Sunday Masses)
- hospitality ministry (parish coffee Sundays, funeral luncheons, ushers)
- prayer shawl ministry
- Fabulous Faith Finders (grades 5-8 youth group)
- High School Youth Group (grades 9-12)
- Altar Servers
- and, just for the ladies, you will be able to speak with members of the Catholic Women's League executive to learn about the CWL's mission and membership advantages.



Please prayerfully consider how you can share your time and talents with the parish. Many volunteer positions have a minimal time commitment. Volunteering is very rewarding and the satisfaction that you get from helping out is well worth the effort! So, enjoy some refreshments and be open to the Spirit and the possibility of volunteering.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION INFORMATION

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION: If Our Lady of Lourdes Church is your regular place of worship and you have a son/daughter in grade 2 or grade 7 in a school other than Holy Rosary or Our Lady of Lourdes, and you would like him/her to receive these sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, then please contact Patrycja Wiecek at the parish office at lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com to register.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING MEETINGS:

- **For First Reconciliation & First Eucharist:** Sunday, **September 29** at 9:00 a.m. Meeting will begin after Mass with (parents & students).
- **For Confirmation:** Sunday, **September 29** at 11:00 a.m. Meeting will begin after Mass with (parents & students).



CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES:

Programs are available for children from kindergarten through high school for students not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic schools is also available. Families work through the programs at home. They are supported by our parish catechists who review the students' assignments. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out their website at www.hamiltondiocese.com and click on the Catechesis Office for more information and registration forms. *If your child will be preparing to receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation, please also contact the parish office immediately so that important information regarding the reception of the sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes can be sent to you. Thank you.*