

**SHARE LENT – TOGETHER FOR PEACE:** Your Share Lent donation can be made any time up to and including April 22. If you are not using parish offering envelopes, please use one of your own, marking it as Share Lent. To learn more about the important work of Development and Peace around the world please visit [www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org).

**FROM THE PROPERTY AND MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE:** The manufacturing and installation of the sanctuary railing is proceeding. We are anticipating completion by the end of May.

**PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH:** Our children are treasures and bring us much joy! They are however, from a very young age, in need of our leadership to help them grow into competent and capable adults. When a child is two their behaviours and temper tantrums may seem funny and even cute, but by four those behaviours are no longer funny, by ten they are causing family tensions and by the teenage years may make it very difficult to parent. Praise your children, spend time with your children and model good behaviours, but remember to teach them self-control, manners and good behaviours from a very early age, which will make all the other parenting years less stressful.

**CRAFT & VENDOR SALE:** St. Joseph Church (148 Madison Ave. S., Kitchener) Craft & Vendor Sale will be held on Saturday, April 14, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Hand-made crafts, home business products & décor! Over 20 vendors! Knitted and crocheted articles, jewelry, wood crafts, sewing, art work & paper crafts, décor & religious articles, food items & baking. Plus reps from Pampered Chef, Epicure, doTerra, Arbonne, Thirty-One, Isagenix, Avon, Stampin' Up, and Scentsy. Check the Facebook event "Craft & Vendor Sale – St. Joseph Church" for more details or call Cathy at 519-578-0785.

**THE CARMEL OF ST. JOSEPH GUILD** invites everyone to attend the Mini-Retreat & Grocery Shower (no meat) to be held Saturday, April 14, at 10:45 a.m. at the Monastery. Mass will be celebrated and will be preceded by the Rosary. The Retreat Master will be Reverend Ron Voisin.

**ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI ANNUAL CARD PARTY:** Join us for an afternoon of fun at our annual card party, Wednesday April 18 from 1-4 p.m. Lunch at 1 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at the St. Francis of Assisi Parish Office, 49 Blueridge Ave., Kitchener, 519-745-7301. Proceeds will be donated to Hospice-Palliative Care. Sponsored by the Catholic Women's League.

**PRAYER VIGIL:** Thursday, April 5, from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King St. E., Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice but our own! Parking across the road at Schneider Park. For more information, please contact Cathy at [kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com](mailto:kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com).

**ADORATION FOR LIFE:** Come, let us adore Jesus in the Eucharist, console his heart wounded by abortion and sins against the sanctity of life: Two locations: Friday, April 6, 6-7 p.m. at St. Teresa Church Adoration Chapel, 44 Leonard St. Kitchener; Saturday, April 7, 11 a.m.-12 noon at St. Mary Our Lady of Seven Sorrows Roman Catholic Church, 56 Duke St. W., Kitchener; and Saturday, April 28, 6:15 p.m. in Spanish followed by Holy Mass at St. John's Church, 85 Strange St., Kitchener. Call KW Right to Life at 519-746-5433 for more information.



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<b>ADMINISTRATOR:</b>	<b>Rev. Rafal Tomon</b>
<b>DEACON:</b>	<b>Rev. Mr. Phong Hoang</b>
<b>PARISH YOUTH CATECHIST:</b>	<b>Paula Rush</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:</b>	<b>Bette Honsinger</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 3:00 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</b> <b>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 April 2 to 8, 2018**

Monday.....	8:30 a.m. ....	Hannah Perera – Angela Madappuli
Tuesday <b>Beechwood Manor</b> ....	10:00 a.m. ....	Marcella Eby – Rita Weldon
	7:00 p.m. ....	Special intention of Melissa Tran – Nick Continisio
Wednesday .....	8:30 a.m. ....	Fr. Ted Hughes – Liz & John Harder
Thursday .....	7:00 p.m. ....	Jack Downey – Debbie & John Fitton
Friday .....	8:30 a.m. ....	Frank Clifford – Carlo & Marg Perrotta & Family
	<b>The Westhill</b> .....	10:00 a.m. .... Rosemarie Faessler – Carol Anne Schmuck
Saturday.....	10:00 a.m. ....	Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	7:00 p.m. ....	Anna Bergant – Kathleen Sehl
Sunday.....	9:00 a.m. ....	Living & deceased members of our parish
	11:00 a.m. ....	Special intention

**Offertory collection for Sunday, March 25, 2018: \$8,614.00**

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

**Monthly Budget Review as of March 31, 2018**

Cumulative financial objective – 12 weeks @ \$7,500.....		\$90,000.00
Weekly contributions (year to date).....	\$61,245.05	
Pre-authorized giving (year to date).....	<u>34,250.97</u>	<u>95,596.02</u>
Over (under) objective .....		\$ 5,596.02

**BAPTISM:** During the month of March, the following children became members of God’s family in the sacrament of baptism: Emery Lauren Bauer and Reid Jackson Bauer.

**FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS:**

Sunday, April 29, 11:00 a.m. .... Holy Rosary School  
Sunday, May 6, 11:00 a.m. .... Our Lady of Lourdes School

**CONFIRMATION:** The sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday, April 14 at 5:00 p.m. Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, will be the conferring bishop. Please pray for these young people that they will be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit throughout their lives.

**SENIORS’ SOCIAL GROUP** will resume Tuesday, April 3 at 1:30 p.m. All seniors welcome.



**Coffee Weekend April 7/8 after all Masses**

Please come to the church hall for refreshments and goodies !!

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry will be displaying their lovely shawls and the CWL will be selling tickets for their Mother/Daughter Breakfast.

**Mother/Daughter Breakfast**

The CWL of Our Lady of Lourdes is hosting a Mother/Daughter Breakfast Sunday, April 22 at 10:00 a.m. in the church hall.

Mothers, daughters, grandmothers and granddaughters are all welcome (8 years and older). Tickets are \$15 (first come, first served)



More information to follow but please call Peggy Dietrich at 519-725-5847 if interested or you may fill out the following form and deposit it and your money in an envelope and put it in the collection basket the week after Easter (tickets are also being sold at the upcoming coffee weekend).

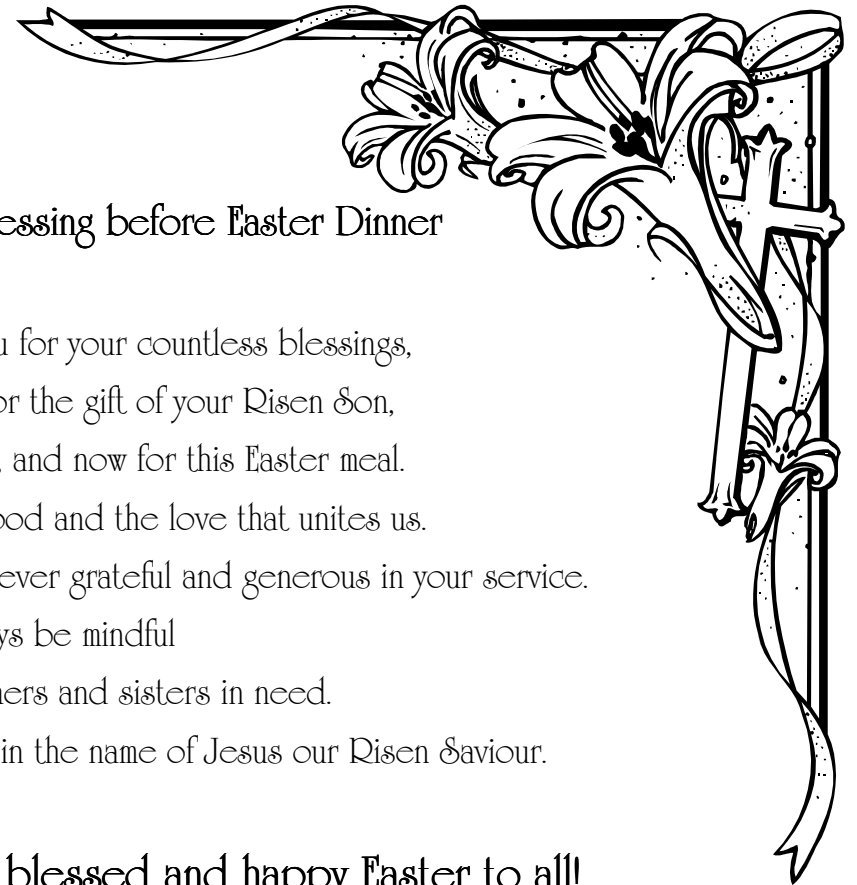
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Name of each person: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of child (children): \_\_\_\_\_

Total included: Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Cheque \_\_\_\_\_

Please put CWL Breakfast on the envelope. Tickets will be held for you at the door.



**Special Blessing before Easter Dinner**

Loving God,  
we thank you for your countless blessings,  
especially for the gift of your Risen Son,  
for our faith, and now for this Easter meal.  
Bless this food and the love that unites us.  
Keep us forever grateful and generous in your service.  
May we always be mindful  
of our brothers and sisters in need.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus our Risen Saviour.  
Amen.

**A blessed and happy Easter to all!**

**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS:** Are you celebrating your 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60+ wedding anniversary in the year 2018? On Sunday, June 10, 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 at the side entrance of the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

*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.*

*Please note that the parish office will be closed on Easter Monday as well as on Friday, April 6.*