

**CANADA DAY CELEBRATION AT THE EDWARD HALTER HOME, MARYHILL:** Saturday, July 1 at 1338 B Maryhill Rd. 11 a.m. – raising of the flag and O Canada; Welcome Remarks from Local Dignitaries. 11:15 a.m. – honouring our Veterans from New Germany (Maryhill). 11:30 a.m. – planting of Canada 150 Maple Tree. 12:00-1:00 p.m. – refreshments [barbecued hotdogs & hamburgers, bottled water] sponsored by Maryhill Knights Council 6024. Freewill offering. In the afternoon, there will be children’s crafts and music by Melody Train, tours of the community, church and old walled cemetery, and Halter House; antique and community displays. Mass of Thanksgiving on Canada’s 150<sup>th</sup> birthday at 5:00 p.m. at St. Boniface Church.

**CANADIAN CENTRE FOR BIOETHICAL REFORM (CCBR)'S CANADA 150 TOUR COMING TO KITCHENER!** Friday June 23 at Zehrs Laurentian Community Room, 2nd floor, 750 Ottawa St. S., Kitchener. Refreshments at 6:30 p.m. Presentation to begin at 7:00 p.m with Q&A to follow. On Canada’s 150<sup>th</sup> birthday, Canadians are faced with a stark choice: To celebrate our century-long heritage of protecting all human life, or celebrate our 48-year legacy of protecting only some human beings. Four million preborn Canadians will not celebrate Canada’s 150th anniversary with us because they never had a birthday of their own. Canada’s past was pro-life. If you join with us to speak for these missing Canadians, Canada’s future can be pro-life, too. Join Maaiké Rosendal and CCBR summer interns to hear how, together, we can end the killing of preborn children in our nation. Sponsored by KW Right to Life (519-746-5433/kwrtl@golden.net).

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** at St Anne’s during the week of July 10-14 from 9 a.m. to noon daily. Children aged 4-12 can come learn about our faith with exciting games, crafts, snacks, music, and faith activities through “A Wilderness Adventure” by Cat Chat: <https://catchat.ca/vacation-bible-school/wilderness-adventure>. Teens and adults are welcome to attend to help volunteer. Contact Scott Piggott at stannesgenofhope@gmail.com for more information. Registration is limited and available until Friday June 23.

### The Most Cherished Gift

We celebrate the body and blood of Christ not as isolated objects of adoration but as food and drink, like the manna in the desert and the water brought forth from a rock.

Jesus makes it very clear how we are to approach his body and blood: “if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood you have no life in you. He who feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has life eternal.”

The food that we eat every day, and the liquids we drink, become part of our bodies, sustaining them and allowing them to grow, function, and heal.

The food that is the body and blood of Christ does something far greater; it makes us one with God. “The man who feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in him.” This is why the body and blood of Christ signify unity and peace: there is one Christ, and all who eat and drink the body and blood of Christ become one in the one Christ.

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**PASTOR:** Rev. Edward (Ted) Hughes  
**ADMINISTRATOR:** Rev. Rafal Tomon  
**DEACON:** Rev. Mr. Phong Hoang  
**PARISH YOUTH CATECHIST:** Paula Rush  
**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:** Bette Honsinger  
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.  
Sunday 3:00 p.m. Vietnamese Martyrs Community  
Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.  
**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** By appointment – please phone the parish office  
**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to noon  
Wednesday, 7:45 to 8:15 a.m.  
**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

### Announced Mass intentions for the week of June 18 to 24, 2017

Monday..... 8:30 a.m. .... George & Pearl Belleth – Bill & Chris Belleth  
Tuesday **Holy Rosary School**... 10:00 a.m. .... Closing school Mass at Holy Rosary School  
7:00 p.m. .... Garrett Hickey – Jack & Joan Cassidy  
Wednesday ..... 8:30 a.m. .... Teresa Bruce – Eleanor Green  
Thursday ..... 7:00 p.m. .... Graduates Mass  
Friday ..... **8:45 a.m.**..... Our Lady of Lourdes closing school Mass  
Saturday..... 7:00 p.m. .... Robert Ervin – Clifford Family  
Graham Weber – Carol Anne Schmuck

*Note: To facilitate the students from Our Lady of Lourdes School joining us for Mass on Friday, June 23, Mass will begin at 8:45 a.m.*

**MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST**

**JUNE 18, 2017**

## Offertory collection for Sunday, June 11, 2017: \$6,709.50

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



Today is Father's Day. It's time to return your baby bottle filled with your donation. Marillac Place relies heavily on these donations from our community to keep their doors open. If you have not already returned your baby bottle, it can be dropped off at the parish office or put in the collection basket next weekend. Thank you.



**INVITATION TO ALL GRADE EIGHT STUDENTS IN OUR PARISH:** On Thursday, June 22 at 7:00 p.m., Our Lady of Lourdes Parish will celebrate a Mass to ask for grace and blessings upon our young people who are graduating from grade eight. All graduates from our parish who attend Our Lady of Lourdes School, Holy Rosary School or any other Catholic or public school are welcome to attend with their families and friends. We will focus on the theme of thanksgiving to God for gifts received, the inspiration of the Spirit as they prepare to enter high school, and celebrating the achievements of their lives. A reception in the church hall will follow the Mass.

**CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE COURSES:** Programs available for children from kindergarten through to high school not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools also available. Families work through the programs at home and our parish catechists assist. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or check out our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online. *If your child will be preparing for First Communion or Confirmation, please contact the parish office as well.*

### A Prayer for Fathers

Loving God,  
you compare your own love for your people  
to the love of a father for his children.  
Look with kindness on all fathers;  
give them comfort in moments of stress  
and joy in their work for their families,  
and deepen their love for their sons and daughters.  
By their work and example and prayer,  
may they lead their children to follow you.  
Lord Jesus,  
hear our prayer as we offer you glory forever and ever.  
Amen.



**MASS FOR THE ORDINATION OF DEACONS:** Join us Friday, June 23 at 7 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, for the ordination of Grayson Hope, Christopher Tracey and Tim Theriault who will serve as deacons during this transitional state on their path to the priesthood. Chris Tracey served at Lourdes from August 2015 to August 2016. Grayson had a summer placement here early in his seminarian days. We offer our sincerest congratulations to all three of these men. Everyone is welcome to attend the ordination Mass.



**FANTASTIC FAITH FINDERS:** Our last regular meeting for this year will be on Friday, June 23 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. We will be having a celebration of another great year. Please come dressed to be outside, and ready to have some fun.

### FAMINE RELIEF FUND

This week, Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton and President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, together with other Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Sikh and Baha'i faith communities launched a national appeal to address the famines in South Sudan and the extreme food shortages in Yemen, Northeast Nigeria and Somalia. Parishioners are encouraged to support this initiative by making contributions directly to one of the agencies listed below. Donations before June 30, 2017 will be matched by the Government of Canada. Donations after June 30 will also be welcome.

Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace  
[www.devp.org/en/famine-relief-fund](http://www.devp.org/en/famine-relief-fund) 1-888-664-3387

Aid to the Church in Need Canada  
[www.acn-aed-ca.org/iamstarving](http://www.acn-aed-ca.org/iamstarving) 1-800-585-6333

Canadian Jesuits International  
[www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca/2017/06/05/famine-relief-appeal/](http://www.canadianjesuitsinternational.ca/2017/06/05/famine-relief-appeal/) 1-800-448-2148

For more information about the relief work being done in the above-named countries, please see the diocesan website: [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com). Thank you for whatever support you are able to give to this urgent appeal.

The sun shone and OLOL community came out in great numbers to enjoy the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary barbecue. The food was great and camaraderie even better.

Many thanks and blessings to all of the volunteers, young and old, who made this day so special. It could not have happened without their time and enthusiasm.

Enjoy the summer!

60/65 OLOL Anniversary Steering Committee