

SHRINE OF ST. ANNE DE BEAUPRE: Tuesday, May 16 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 305 Laurentian Dr., Kitchener. We will be starting with Mass at 6:30 p.m. with Fr. Guy Desrochers. Mass and homily in honor of St. Anne, a candlelight procession and the Veneration of the Relic of Saint Anne. Everyone welcome! Refreshments to follow.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: Are you celebrating your 25, 40, 50, 60 or 60+ wedding anniversary in the year 2017? On Sunday, June 25 at 1:30 p.m., 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 register by June 1 to be sure your name is included in the program. Details are available on the poster at the side entrance of the church, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

THE DIOCESAN OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY and Office for Vocations welcomes young people aged 16-29 to take part in evenings of prayer and conversation surrounding Pope Francis' announcement of the Synod of Bishops for Youth, Faith Formation and Vocational Discernment. Sister Margaret Kane, csj will be facilitating conversations across the diocese regarding this topic so as to help gain a pulse of the experience of faith and faith formation for youth today and how to best support the young people of Hamilton Diocese. Let the church hear your voice!

- Tuesday May 16 at 7:00 p.m. – St. Michael Parish, Waterloo
- Friday May 26 at 7:00 p.m. – St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Waterdown
- Tuesday June 13 at 7:00 p.m. – Holy Family Parish, Hanover

CENTENARY OF FATIMA MARIAN PILGRIMAGE DAYS – FIVE SATURDAYS FROM JUNE THROUGH OCTOBER: Come participate in Marian pilgrimage days in this the centenary year of the Fatima appearances of Our Lady. Each month we will fulfill the request of our Lady of Fatima to join with her in prayer, invoking blessings and graces for our families, Church and the world by gathering at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Waterdown. In honour of this year's special 100th anniversary, a plenary indulgence is available to those who attend and perform all the obligations attached to the indulgence. Each day begins with Mass, features a Marian procession as the rosary is prayed, Stations of the Cross, and quiet time in the Marian garden. The program is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pack a lunch. For further information or to check out the day's programming, visit the website www.stthomaswaterdown.com/pilgrimage/. The dates are Saturdays, June 3, July 1, August 5, September 2 and October 14 (the 100th anniversary of the final appearance of Our Lady at Fatima).

VOCATION SEEDS: "The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these..." Are you willing to do the work of the Lord 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, mking@hamiltondiocese.com or visit www.hamiltonvocations.com.

SPRING CEMETERY MEMORIAL MASS: On Saturday, June 3 at 11:00 a.m., Most Reverend Matthew Ustrzycki, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Hamilton, will celebrate the Spring Memorial Mass at Marymount Cemetery, Guelph. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact the cemetery office at 519-836-8814, or visit our website at www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca.



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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 May 14 to 20, 2017

Monday.....	8:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving – Elaine Ler
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Fabian LaPierre – Laurine & Danielle LaPierre
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Egidio Volpini – Frank & Charmaine Volpini & Family
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Special intention of David & Patricia Graham – Jim & Sandra Evans
Friday	8:30 a.m.	Lorraine Gleiser – Cliche Family
Saturday.....	7:00 p.m.	Dale Melchin – Wilbert Sommers

Offertory collection for Sunday, May 7, 2017: 5,870.60

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

ANNIVERSARY BARBECUE: Mark your calendars for our final 60-65 anniversary event before summer! After both morning Masses on Sunday, June 11, free hotdogs and sausages, along with beverages, will be served on the parish parking lot.



But we will need some help! Volunteers will be needed for prep work on the Saturday as well as the setup Sunday morning. We will need people to help to serve, cook, replenish condiments, cream and sugar etc. throughout the morning. Of course there will be cleanup duties as well. And we will need to borrow a few gas barbecues.



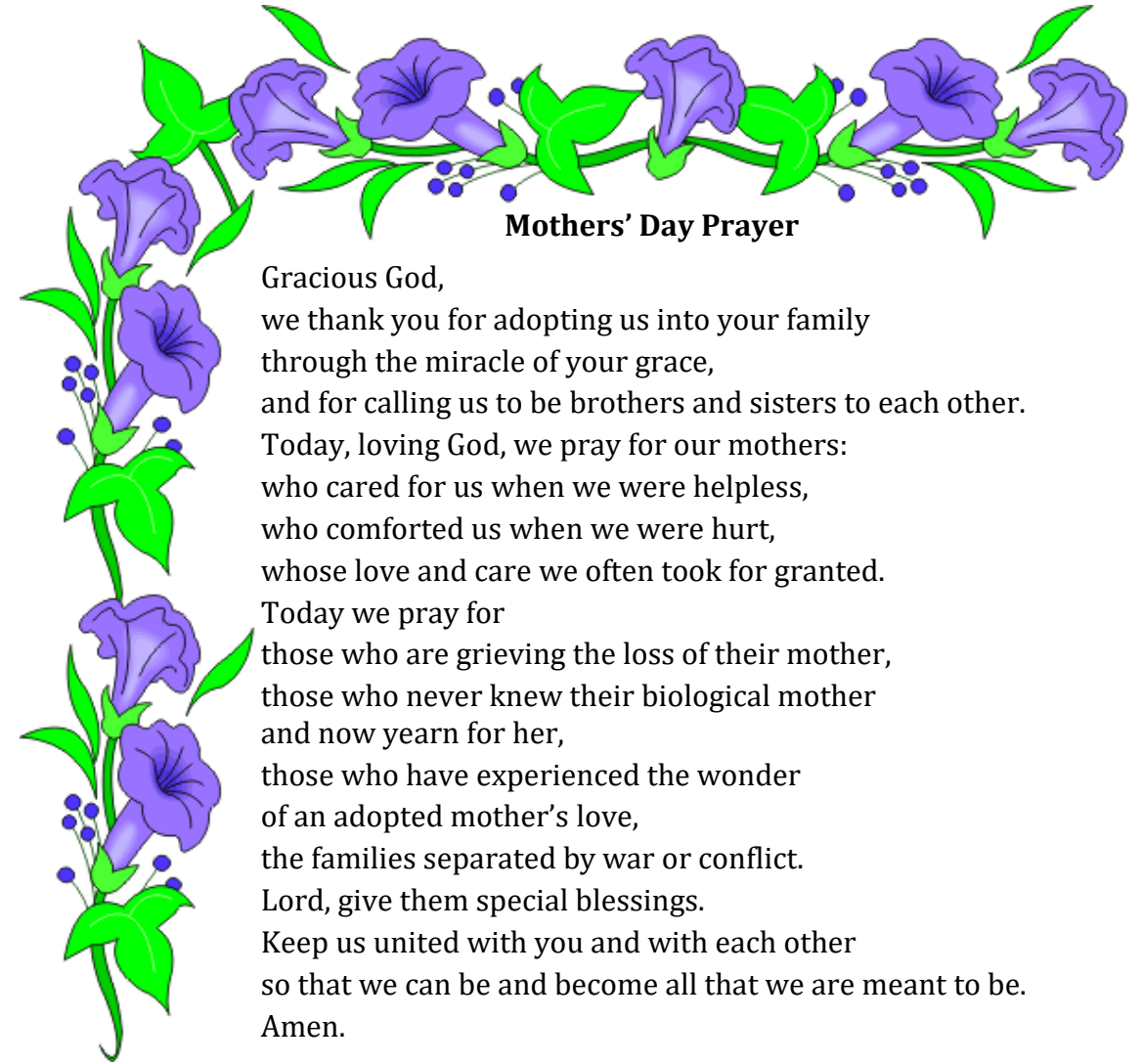
This promises to be a really fun event. If you can help please contact Bette at lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com or 519-886-0342.

TOGETHER IN CHRIST. The events of the Reformation in the sixteenth century caused division. However, recognizing the division of Christ's body undermines the proclamation of the gospel to the world. Leaders of Christian churches have been addressing the doctrinal disagreements through the centuries to move towards the goal of visible unity. The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada encourage the faithful to commemorate this year's 500th anniversary of the Reformation together. Join us and participate in meaningful dialogue with our Lutheran brothers and sisters on the next two Wednesdays (May 17 and May 24) from 7 to 9 p.m. at our neighbour Mount Zion Lutheran Church, 29 Westmount Rd., Waterloo. The final Wednesday (May 31) will again be held here at Lourdes from 7 to 9 p.m. in the parish hall. We will pray and reflect together to overcome the disagreements of the past and to deepen our understanding of the gospel. For more information, please call the parish office 519-886-0342 or email whyatbreakfast@gmail.com.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eastern Christians have no sacrament of "confirmation," but they have always had the custom of richly anointing the newly baptized in myron, or sacred chrism. They also give even infants a taste of the Precious Blood, thereby doing away with any notion of "First Communion" in later childhood.

In the West, although we too have an anointing with chrism for the newly baptized, for centuries we have normally reserved a second anointing for the bishop, sometimes many years after baptism. There are many reasons for this, not the least of which is the fact that in early times the bishop was the ordinary person to officiate at baptism, not the presbyter (priest). The bishop did it all, from plunging the catechumens into the font, to pouring chrism over them, to immediately celebrating the Eucharist. When bishops began to cede some of their ministry to the ranks of presbyters, they desired to maintain a strong relationship with baptism. Thus it was decided that the solemn post-baptismal anointing, the laying on of hands, and the prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit were to be detached from infant baptism. So, to the present day, we have two anointings: one by the priest, and the other normally by the bishop. By the fifth century, the word "confirmation" had surfaced to refer to this second anointing.—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Mothers' Day Prayer

Gracious God,
we thank you for adopting us into your family
through the miracle of your grace,
and for calling us to be brothers and sisters to each other.
Today, loving God, we pray for our mothers:
who cared for us when we were helpless,
who comforted us when we were hurt,
whose love and care we often took for granted.
Today we pray for
those who are grieving the loss of their mother,
those who never knew their biological mother
and now yearn for her,
those who have experienced the wonder
of an adopted mother's love,
the families separated by war or conflict.
Lord, give them special blessings.
Keep us united with you and with each other
so that we can be and become all that we are meant to be.
Amen.

MONSIGNOR EDWARD SHERIDAN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Monsignor Edward Sheridan who served in our parish from 1992 to 2014 celebrates the 50th anniversary of his priestly ordination in 2017. You are welcome to join him for the celebration of Mass on Sunday, June 4th at 4:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. A light reception will follow in McNally Hall (Cathedral Auditorium). No gifts please.

BAPTISM: During the month of April, the following children became members of God's family in the sacrament of baptism: Zia Maria Herring and Andrey Garcia.