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Office Hours: Tues. & Wed. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm, Fri. 9:30 am - 12:30 pm

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:00 am

EXPOSITION:

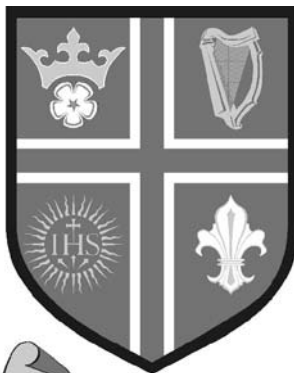
Friday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Catholic Women's League

Knights of Columbus

St. Vincent Charities



BAPTISMS:

By arrangement with the pastor.

MARRIAGES:

By arrangement one year in advance.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 pm
or by appointment.

SCHOOLS:

St. Joseph 519-853-3730

Christ the King 905-702-8838

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS

We invite you to register in our parish community
by filling in a blue registration form.

A Word From Our Pastor:

This upcoming week we celebrate the Feast of St John Chrysostom who is considered to have been one of the greatest preachers in Church history. 'Chrysostom' means golden tongued and refers to the eloquence of his preaching. His sermons were so powerful and well received that they were often interrupted by applause from the congregation.

The recognition of the great saint is appropriate because the Hamilton Diocese Clergy Seminar was held this past week. The theme was preaching which goes without saying is an important part of the Mass and how it brings the Word of Christ to those who hear a sermon. When this bulletin message went to press, I was in the middle of the seminar, so I can't comment on how it went. Hopefully it was an opportunity for the priests of this Diocese to learn and grow with their preaching.

In the Second Vatican Council it was stated that the purpose of sacred preaching is 'conversion and holiness'. Pope Benedict XVI wrote: "The homily is a means of bringing the scriptural message to life in a way that helps the faithful to realize that God's Word is present and at work in their everyday lives. It should lead to an understanding of the Mystery being celebrated, serve as a summons to mission and prepare the assembly for the Profession of Faith, the Universal Prayer, and the Eucharistic liturgy."

These lofty words can be challenging to a priest or deacon as he prepares a homily. It is important that the homily allows the listener to be inspired to a greater faith, to prayer, to communion with God and to share in the Gospel effectively with others. Do the words of a homily allow for someone to be attracted to God's voice and to act upon His grace and Call? These are some of the thoughts which a homilist needs to ask himself as he prepares his homily. A good homily takes time, preparation, and most importantly, prayer. A priest or deacon who does not ponder these questions or put them to prayer, will become indifferent to his preparations and the quality of his homilies received by his audience. Yes, there are many times when the homily is not great or inspiring, no one can be good every time one preaches, but it is important to strive to share the Good News with others who are searching and are hungry for the Word of God.

The point of a homily is not just to give us something upon which to reflect for the week or to make us feel good. Rather, it's a challenge to both the homilist and his audience to become Christ-like, so that we respond, as Mary did "Let it be done to me according to Your Word." This is our call, to respond to the Word of God and to act upon it.

Fr. Mark

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

"The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong." - Mahatma Gandhi

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL:

This week please pray especially for:

***Rhonda Chartrand,
David Champagne, Marie Zions***



This week we pray especially for the following families:

***Chelliah Clough, Coles,
Conroy, Costley, DaCruz***

CWL NEWS

Michael House Diaper Drive in September

The CWL will be accepting donations of diapers as well as other new-baby and new-mother needs for Michael House. Michael House provides shelter and support to pregnant and parenting women and their children in need. A table will be set up in the church basement in September. Many thanks for your generosity.

General Meeting: Tuesday, September 13 in the basement after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. **Please note: If you need a drive to the meeting, please contact Cathy at 519-853-3472.**

Donations to Michael House gratefully collected in the basement and at the meeting. (Michael House is a Guelph shelter and support home for pregnant and parenting women and their children in need.) Save the date! Potluck and Pin Presentation Tuesday, October 25.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

DAY & TIME	MASS INTENTIONS (Sept 12 – Sept 18)	REQUESTED BY:
Tues 7:00 p.m.	Helen Klemencic	Estate of Helen Klemencic
Wed. 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Karl and Darice Kwiatkowski	Kwiatkowski Family
Thurs. 7:00 p.m.	Rezi Zitnick	Kosir Family
Fri. 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Lynne Spencer	Spencer Family
Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Antonio Zago	Luisetto Family
Sun. 9:00 a.m.	Vincencia Kosir	Maria Berlingieri
11:00 a.m.	Pro populo	



We have returned to our Lector/Extraordinary Minister schedule. Please see Eddie MacDonald if you have any questions or if you are interested in joining the team.



CONTACT PERSONS for CWL and K of C

Anyone interested in learning more about our parish Catholic Women's League or Knights of Columbus is invited to call the appropriate contact person:

CWL: Christie deSouza: 519-400-6012 cwl@lartist.com
 K of C: Sean Saunders: grand.knight.8050@gmail.com

Bulletins are available online at:

<http://www.parishbulletins.com/bulletins/097>

Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony

Father Mark arranges all Baptisms and Marriages personally, by appointment. Please see Father after Mass to set a time for an interview. Marriages must be arranged one year in advance. Completion of a marriage preparation course is required. Application forms may be obtained from Father Mark.

MEETINGS

Mon. 6:00 p.m. Tops
 Tues. 7:30 p.m. CWL General
 Wed. 8:00 p.m. AA

Acton Fall Fair - We are excited that the Fall Fair is back! The Knights will be managing the set-up, parking, security, front gate, and teardown.


The CWL will be managing the round house, selling tickets. Student volunteers are needed for stamping and finally, baking/sandwiches/crock pot dishes to feed our many volunteers is also requested.

Your HELP is NEEDED!

Our parish and its services groups partake in managing a number of areas of the Fall Fair and in return receive part of the proceeds. This is the biggest fundraiser of the year and ***your help is truly needed***. High School Students are needed as well and can use for community hours. Please see sign up sheet at the back of the church.

Hamilton Diocese Marian Days 2022 – Join brothers and sisters from around the Diocese in honouring Our Blessed Lady for the last Marian Day of the year with Bishop Crosby on October 1, 2022, at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph. Join us for confessions at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Holy Mass with Bishop Crosby at 10:00 am, the Solemn Crowning of Our Lady with Rosary at 11:00 a.m., and The Queen's Tea at 12:00 p.m., honouring the crowning of the image of our Lady. Cost for lunch is \$20.00 payable at the door. Call the Basilica to reserve your spot: (519) 824-3951.

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