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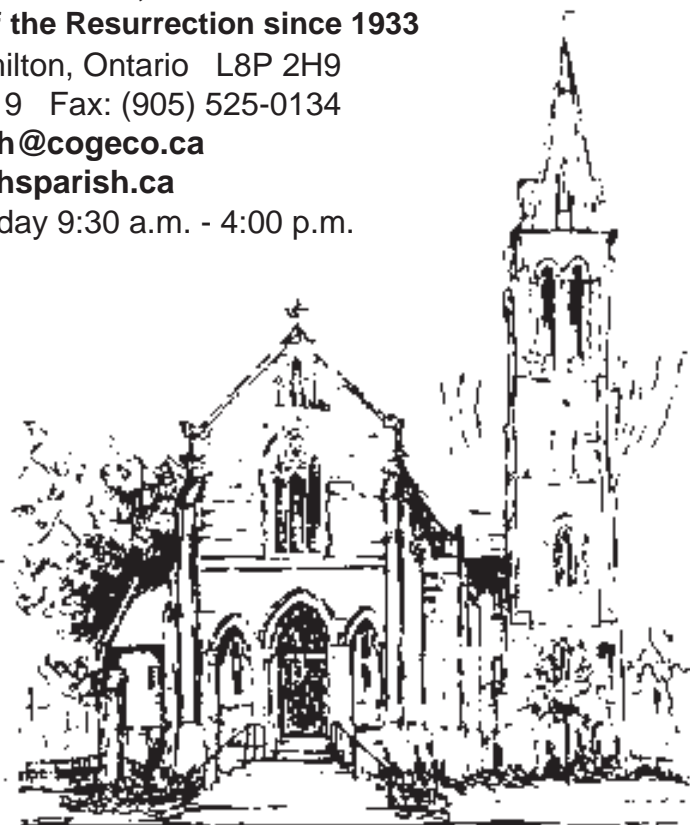
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WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE



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Sunday Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Eucharist

Please see schedule inside.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please make arrangements for Baptismal Preparation two months in advance. All baptisms are celebrated on the following dates:

Jan 14/15	Feb 11/12	Mar No Baptism (Lent)
Apr 14/15	May 12/13	Jun 16/17
Jul 7/8	Aug 18/19	Sep 15/16
Oct 13/14	Nov 10/11	Dec 8/9

Sacrament of Marriage

Call office one year prior to desired wedding date. A marriage preparation course and appointments required.

Children's Liturgies (September to June)

Children from J/K to grade 2 (pre First Eucharist age). Children's Liturgy takes place in the Parish Hall during the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Eucharist.

Parish Council

Lucy Agresta

Margaret Moran

Bill DiFrancesco

Deirdre Pike

Peter Gauthier

Gerry Shea

Nadia Margani

Tom Whyte

Rochelle Martin

C.W.L. Representative - Linda Pandzich

School Representative - Paula Linger

Vocational Information

If you wish to pursue the possibility of a Religious or Priestly vocation, please feel free to speak with any member of the parish staff or contact:

Father Toby Collins, C.R.

crvocations@gmail.com

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LAY MINISTERS for OCTOBER 20 / 21

	5:00 p.m.	9:30 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Lectors	Linda Pandzich Lynda Narducci Phyllis DeRosa-Koetting	Kathleen Dekker Gary Payne Amy Maggio	Andrea Wade Mark Mindorff Lynne DiFrancesco
Eucharistic Ministers	Anita Ormond Gough Margaret Moran Amanda Larsen	Ene Readyhough Ted Dekker Christine Carbotte	Diane Shea Mike Scozzaro Clara Wallman Rochelle Martin
Servers	Emily Kolesar Solana Mattina	Leo Francisci Jessica Dekker	Andrew Linger

SAVE THE DATE!!!

ANNUAL PARISH BAZAAR! November 17/18.

Start thinking about how you can help!

Take home a flyer weekly which lists the many ways you can help out....

Please donate a Penny Sale item or one of the Main Draw Prizes..

Please contact Maria in the parish office.

C.W.L. NEWS – Catholic Women's League Members - Our annual fee has been increased to \$25.00. This is due partly to our increased fees to National. We are changing our membership date to October so we can get the monies into National on time. This increase in fees breaks down to \$2.08 per month. Any questions, you may call Linda Pandzich at 905-528-8470. We appreciate your support by your attendance at meetings, volunteering or attending at our special functions, your prayers. We are 93,000 strong across Canada - that is a strong voice for gospel values. Let's make it stronger, encourage your family and friends to join!

Our next Card party will be on Thursday, **October 18** at 1 p.m. Join us in the Parish Hall for an afternoon of cards, fun and a light lunch.

RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults meets on Tuesdays, at 7 p.m. in the Rectory. RCIA is a process of welcoming adult newcomers into the Catholic Church and continues once a week until spring. If you know of anyone who may be interested in becoming a Roman Catholic, please let them know. Register at St. Joseph's office at 905-528-0019 or stjosephsparish@cogeco.ca

The annual **Altar Server party and training** will take place on **Tuesday, October 16, at 4 pm** in the church and the parish hall. We invite all the current altar servers to attend, as we will announce some really exciting changes, as well as encourage all the boys and girls (ages 7 & up) interested in serving God and our parish community to join this fantastic ministry! See you all at the party!

A Free screening of the film "I AM" by Tom Shadyac, director of "Bruce Almighty", "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective" and "The Nutty Professor" in the Parish Hall, 6:30PM, Saturday, **October 20**, This film asks the compelling questions "What is Wrong With Our World?" and "What Can We Do About It?". Light refreshments to be served. All are welcome. Following the film, at 8:05-8:30PM, **A Tiny Shift In Connecting Schools** (Bringing the Internet to Schools That Do Not Have) will hold its first Annual General Meeting. For more information call 905 921 6899 or visit: www.atinyshift.ca

SOCAL JUSTICE NEWS....We would like to thank parishioners for their many years of support for our Fair Trade Sales. Our committee is no longer able to offer this service. If there is a parishioner who would like to volunteer to carry on this tradition, please contact Jenn Weir at 289-389-8125 for details.

International Aid: Who does it help? How effective is it? To explore these questions further, please attend the Development and Peace Education Workshop, **Tuesday Oct 23, at 7 pm** at Blessed Sacrament Church, on Fennel Ave, East near Upper Gage.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS... There will be a Youth Group Executive meeting on Friday, **October 19** at 4 p.m. in room 3 of the Rectory.

LOOK!!!

Saturday October 27th will be a clean-up day around the church. We are looking for volunteers to lend a hand between the hours of 9 a.m.-12 p.m. There are big jobs and little jobs, so it's an all ages event. In particular we are in need of a couple of daring souls to climb ladders reaching to the higher spots in the church. To sign up or for more information please call the parish office .

HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED ADOPTION?

Would you like to hear more about the process through CCAS?



Upcoming Information Night

Wednesday November 21st – 7:00 p.m.

Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton,
735 King St. East

For more information and to register call Jocelyn Jacobs at
(905) 525-2012 ext. 3125

Visit our website at www.hamiltonccas.on.ca

LITURGIES AT ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15

NO MORNING MASS

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

8:00 Rosario Agresta Caterina Agresta & Family

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17

8:00 Donald Steele Kathleen & Chris & Family
Albert Morton Bernice Clark

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18

8:00 Scott Emerson Porter Dianne Porter
Helen Fuentes Helen & Jerry Creedon

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:00 Antonio Agresta The Walsh Family
Gordon MacDonald James & Christina Lyons
7 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20

5:00 Special Intentions Margaret Bontempo
Rita Kennedy Foley & O'Sullivan Families

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:30 For all the people of St. Joseph's Parish

11:30 Gennaro Filice The Filice Family
Leonarda Lentini Francesca Adile

Desk Scribbles . . . 28th Sun Ord Time . . . Oct 14, 2012 . . . Jim Link, CR
Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90; Heb 4:12-13; Mark 10:17-30

It's Wednesday noon and I am in pain. My gout started a major flare-up last Friday on my way to Montreal (for a funeral of a friend of mine). By Sunday, on the drive back I could only manage driving with my left hand. My right hand is swollen and so is my left foot. This all started back in August by an over prescription of a drug I was taking for high blood pressure. Who would have thought a tiny pill could cause such an imbalance in my blood? So, if you see me hobbling around and not moving too well, there is a reason.

I am trying my best to learn from this experience and not waste it but, as any of you who have lived with pain know, that is easier said than done. Friends of mine have reminded me to offer up my pain for those in purgatory; I am trying and I hope that it helps someone move on to God. I am trying to let the pain and limitations of movement teach me patience and humility; the lessons of humility and patience are lifelong classes I have been taking since childhood. Most of all, I think, I am just praying more, asking God for healing.

The gospel story of Jesus and his dialogue with the rich young man was a flashback for me. I was on retreat in Middleton, Connecticut and the director had given us to meditate and pray on this very passage. The message behind the story seemed pretty obvious, that is, the young man had been doing all the right things but, at the end of the day, his trust was still in what he possessed. Last week we celebrated the feast of St. Francis of Assisi who was very much like the rich young man in the gospel but who actually did leave it all behind to follow Jesus.

On another retreat years ago, I met Fr. David Knight, a former Jesuit who had left his community to found a new religious community that was trying to live out the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience in a more radical way. I remember him telling us that as Resurrectionists, we could talk as much as we wanted about the vow of poverty and trying to live a simple life but, he said, the truth

is, you will never know until you actually become poor and let it all go. In some ways, I guess, it's the difference between being an observer and a participant.

For me, in my encounter with Jesus in the gospel, as Jesus looked at me and loved me, I realized that my greatest possession was not embodied in any material stuff I had but it was me, myself and I. Jesus wanted me! He did not want my stuff. In my religious community most of us realize that as we get older, poverty and chastity are not the main challenges, but obedience. We make a vow to let our wills, our power to direct our lives, be subject to the will of God as manifested through the spirit and leadership of our religious community.

All this brings me back to today as I struggle in being obedient to the limitations of being sick. I need to trust that there is a reason and that some good will come out of it even if I don't know what that is right now. And the gospel story is not really about the rich young man but about you and me. Will we go away sad because we cannot relinquish our many possessions --- or will we allow Jesus' look of love to light our way and keep us close to him?

MUSIC FOR A HALLOWED EVE If you have ever wondered what music other than hymns can be played on a church organ - If so, here's your chance to find out. On Friday, **October 26** from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Stillman Matheson will play an organ recital here at St. Joseph's. Admission is free, but donations to support the Youth Ministry in our parish will be gratefully accepted. People of all ages are welcome, so spread the word and bring your family and friends!

"Could you not watch one hour with me?" /Mt 26:40/ Please join us in silent prayer and meditation before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament! **The Rite of the Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction** will take place **every 3rd Friday of the month, 7 – 8 p.m.** in our church. Mark your calendars: Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 14 (anticipated); in 2013: Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 21. *All are welcome!*

WE COULD HAVE USED A TRUCK! for the delivery of the donations to our Thanksgiving Food Drive to the Good Shepherd Centre. Thanks to your generosity there was a great variety of fruits, vegetables and staples. The monetary donations were also appreciated. Remember \$1.00 donated buys \$2.00 worth of food. Let's keep the spirit of Thanksgiving alive and remember that non-perishable food items are needed throughout the year. Thank you to everyone who made our Thanksgiving Food Drive a great success.

FOR ALL PARENTS OF CHILDREN WHO DO NOT ATTEND SEPARATE SCHOOLS!!!
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. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238, check our website at **www.hamiltondiocese.com** or contact the parish office for more information and for registration forms.

RELIGIOUS HOMESTUDY If your children do not attend a separate school, this is another method available so your children can pursue Catholic education in small groups with other families in our community. Parents interested in participating in the Religious Homestudy program for the 2012-2013 school year, as leaders, are asked to contact Mary Louise Pigott at mlpigott@cogeco.ca or 905-524-2423,


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