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Roman Catholic Church

April 9, 2017 Palm Sunday

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Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9:00am-1:00pm

Mass Times

Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 9:30am

Weekday Masses

see inside

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:30pm - 7:00pm, or by request.

Sacrament of Baptism (4th Sunday of the month outside of Lent)

Parents, please pick up Baptism package from the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact office six months prior to desired date. Marriage Prep offered.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please notify the parish office of any who are housebound or in the hospital so they may receive the comfort of the Church's sacraments and prayer.

Outreach Ministry (A Ministry of Visitation)

Please contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know would like a visit by the Outreach Ministry.

Parish Contacts Parish Pastoral Council

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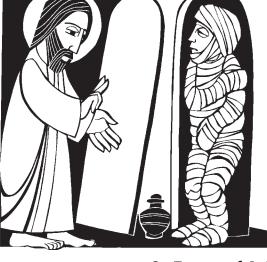
Contact www.vocationinfo.ca or www.resurrectionist.net

New Parishioners

New parishioners, welcome! Please register at the office or pick up registration package in the church foyer.

Bulletin Deadline

Written submissions by Monday noon.



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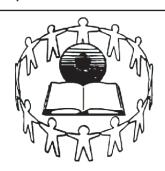
Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth, but yours.

Yours are the eyes through which he moves compassion on this world.

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.

Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.

Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila



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MASSES FOR WEEK OF APRIL 10TH

Tuesday, April 11, 7:05 pm

+Henry Donkers; Annie Donkers & Family Although the life of a person is in a land full of thorns and weeds, there is always a space in which the good seed can grow. You have to trust God. – Pope Francis

Wednesday, April 12, 12:05 pm

+John Lavictorie; Danielle Pilon

Thursday, April 13, Holy Thursday

10:00 am Dramatization of the Passion7:00 pm For the Clergy of the DioceseAdoration until 10 pm

Friday, April 14. Good Friday

11:00 am Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 15, Easter Vigil

8:00 pm For All Those Received Into the Church

Sunday, April 16,

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

10:00 am Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR April 15/16

First Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Second Reading: Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8
Gospel Reading: Jn 20:1-18 or Lk 24:13-35

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

TUE	7:35 pm	C.W.L. General Meeting - Hall
WED	7:00 pm	Choir Practice (5 pm) – Church
	7:00 pm	Choir Practice (9:30 am) – Seminar
THU	10:45 am	Quest Scripture Study - Library
SAT	10:30 am	R.C.I.A. – Rectory
SUN	7:00 pm	St. Teresa of Avila Ministry for New
	-	Canadians Lead Team Mtg - Library

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR:

Mon., April 10	Rev. Wojciech Kuzma
Tues April 11	Rev. Michael Bennett

Wed., April 12 Holy Ghost Congregation (Spiritans)

Thurs., April 13 Holy Thursday Fri., April 14 Good Friday

Sat., April 15 Very Rev. Franjo Sprajc

FOODBANK NEEDS

Chunky Beef Soup and Canned Meats

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE and Caritas Canada wish to thank everyone who donated to Share Lent last week. In our parish, we collected \$3,880. Thank you so very much for your generosity. This money will go towards meeting the needs of our sisters and brothers in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. If you did not have a chance to make a donation last week, there is still time to place your Share Lent envelope in the offertory today or bring it to Donna in the office. Please pray for us at Development and Peace, as we work to build a world of justice and peace in

this 50th year of our founding by the Catholic bishops of Canada in 1967.

The CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE GENERAL MEETING is on Tuesday, April 11th after the 7:05 p.m. Mass in the church hall. We will have a guest speaker from Monica House. She will also collect all our items that have been collected during Lent.

We will have a **FOOD DRIVE** to support our local Food Bank. Food may be dropped off any time throughout Holy Week. On **Holy Week**, bins will be placed in the narthex and a basket of food will be brought forward during the offertory on **Holy Thursday** to represent all the food donated for the hungry of our community.

WILLS & POWER OF ATTORNEY INFORMATION

NIGHT: The Catholic Women's League is hosting an information night on **Wednesday, April 26**th at 7:00 p.m. in the library. All parishioners are welcome.

The Holy Rosary chapter of the Catholic Grandparents Association invites all present and future grandparents to join them for an informative presentation by Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry for the Diocese of Hamilton, titled: **GRANDPARENTING TREASURES: SHARING YOUR FAITH WITH LOVE!** This session will provide practical tips for providing moments to share faith with your children and grandchildren, while respecting your boundaries as a grandparent. Join us on **Tuesday, April 11, 2017** from 1 – 3 p.m. at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 175 Emma St., Guelph in the "Our Lady of the Rosary" Community Room. All are welcome to attend and bring a friend!

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors, is on **Thursday, April 13, 2017** from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 Charles Street East, Maryhill. Admission is \$2 per person. Scott Gallagher, Certified Athletic Therapist will speak on "Is Your Body Keeping Up With You?" For information contact Joan Haid at jehaid@xplornet.ca.

The next **COMMUNITY CAN DINE** is on **Friday, April 14**th at Trinity United Church Fellowship Hall, 21 Arthur St. N., Elmira with roast pork from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Pay what you can. Free children and youth drop in programs are now being offered during these events. For more information contact 519-669-5560 or Kelly from WCS at 519-669-5139.

GOOD FRIDAY FISH & CHIPS on April 14, 2017 at the Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre, 58 Charles St., Maryhill from 12 Noon to 7 p.m. Eat in or take out. No reserved seating. First Come, First Served. Haddock with fresh cut fries served and coleslaw. 1 piece - \$13, 2 pieces \$15. Dessert and refreshments available. Cash only. For more information phone (519) 648-2939.

St. Clement's Parish, St. Clements will be hosting a SPRING CARD PARTY at the St. Clement's Parish Hall,

3619 Lobsinger Line, St. Clements on **Wednesday**, **April 19, 2017**. Doors open at 6 p.m. Lunch will be served at 6:30 p.m. There will be lots of prizes, share the wealth and quilt raffle. Admission is \$8.00. Wheelchair Accessible. This event is sponsored by the St. Clement's Christian Mothers' Society. Everyone is welcome!

DEMENTIAL UNDERSTOOD: Canadian statistics (2015) indicate that 564,000 people are currently living with dementia and within 15 years this number is projected to increase to 937,000. This represents 1.1 million Canadians affected directly or indirectly by the disease. Join us for a WORKSHOP that aims to demystify dementia by clarifying the causes and manifestations of the disease. The presentation will also support care givers by offering practical tips for working with the person who has dementia. This workshop is well suited for both professionals and any individual who works with or has family members with dementia. Join us on Thursday, April 20th from 7-9:30 p.m. at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. West, Hamilton. For more information, or to register (walk-ins that evening are welcome) contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or look on our website at www.hamiltondiocese.com. The event is free and all are welcome, so bring a neighbor or friend.

SPRING SOCIAL hosted by St. Joseph's CWL, 1025 Wallace Ave. N., Listowel on **Thursday, April 20th.** Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Program starts at 7 p.m. Humourous Speaker – Wayne Stoltz/Uncle Willy. Lunch provided, free admission, penny table, main draw, and grocery hamper draw.

Discover your unique pattern of fertility and infertility. Take the guesswork out of preventing pregnancy or achieving pregnancy by learning how to identify your natural signals of fertility and infertility. NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP) helps couple become aware of their own fertility and helps them to understand how the body's natural processes can be used to plan children. Join us on Saturday, April 22nd from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West, Hamilton and learn more about what is effective and what is not when it comes to NFP. Learn more about the scientific data that supports NFP as a viable method of family planning, how it can help you with irregular cycles and also help you to achieve pregnancy when that time comes. This session is meant to inform you about NFP and is not a teaching of a specific method, although information on where to get couple-to-couple instruction will be provided. Rose Heron, our presenter, is the Program Director for the Natural Family Planning Association in Toronto. No charge to attend: couples, individuals, parents and adolescent daughters are all welcome. Please let us know if you are coming at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or register on line at http://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/familyministry/natural-family-planning/.

ANNUAL MASS WITH NEW CATHOLICS - Each year, the bishop invites those who are baptized or received into the full communion of the Catholic Church to a celebration of

the Eucharist at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. This year's celebration takes place on **Saturday**, **April 22**nd during the 5:00 p.m. Mass. All are invited to participate in this special liturgy as a sign of welcome to the newest members of Christ's Body in the Diocese of Hamilton.

Gale Presbyterian Church, 10 Barnswallow Drive, Elmira presents **BLESSED THROUGH HIS BROKENNESS**, an Easter Musical Sermon, with Rev. Mark Curtis on **Sunday**, **April 23, 2017** at 7:00 p.m. Free will offering.

St. Francis of Assisi C.W.L. invites everyone to a **CARD PARTY** on **Tuesday, April 25th.** Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Lunch is served at 1:00 p.m. Proceeds are in support of Waterloo Region Hospice. Tickets are \$15. Purchase tickets in advance. For tickets call St. Francis at 519-745-7301 or 519-576-6587.

TREES FOR WOOLWICH – CHURCH CHALLENGE CELEBRATES CANADA'S 150TH! On Saturday, April 29th from 8:30 a.m. to noon, members from Elmira churches are gathering to plant trees. This is the sixth year for the challenge. Meet at 6055 Middlebrook Road, near West Montrose (this is the parking lot and access point for the Kissing Bridge Trailway). Bring work gloves, round mouth shovel and wear appropriate work clothes including closed-toed shoes. Tree planters are invited to stay afterward for pulled pork on a bun. We are encouraging our youth and their families and members of our parish to sign up for this challenge. Sign up sheets are in the narthex. For more info contact Ann Roberts at aroberts@woolwich.ca or 519-669-6027.

Pornography continues to be a growing crisis in our society and the link to human trafficking has been documented. Children as young as 8 years of age through to all ages of adults are being negatively impacted by the porn culture in which we live. The Waterdown STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING Committee is hosting its ANNUAL CONFERENCE on Saturday, April 29th from 9 – 1 p.m. The speakers, Michelle Brock and Glendyne Gerrard, will offer practical ways for all to respond to this crisis. You will also have a chance to view a powerful documentary on the impact of pornography titled Over 18. The conference is being held at Notre Dame Centre, Emmaus Room, 1921 Snake Road, Burlington. To register call 289-813-0703, or e-mail stophumantraffickingwaterdown@gmail.com. Cost is \$10 per adult to be paid at the door.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Lk 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you... For the measure you give will be measured back to you."

Offertory collection for April 1/2: \$3,003.65 Average per envelope: \$24.43

\$1,141.25

Electronic funds for the week: (based on 4 Sundays per month)

Weekly parish operating expenses: \$4,632.00

Thank you!



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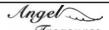
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