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Feast of the Holy Family

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

MASSES FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 30TH

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| Tuesday, December 31, 5:00 pm + Jim Kieswetter ; Marianne Kieswetter |
| Wednesday, January 1, 10:00 am Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Our Parish Community |
| Thursday, January 2, 12:05 pm + Leonard Yutronkie ; Rita Lorbetski <i>He who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love. – St. Basil</i> |
| Friday, January 3, 9:00 am Intentions of Elaine Forler & Family ; Louise Roe & Family No Adoration <i>It is a better thing to save souls for the Lord than to save treasures. – St. Ambrose</i> |
| Saturday, January 4, 5:00 pm + Frank Walter ; Mike & Marlene Brenner + Deceased Members of the Morrissey, Basler & Ruth Families ; John & Alice Basler |
| Sunday, January 5, Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord 9:30 am Our Parish Community |

Altar Servers

5pm Patsy Pond
 9:30am Katelyn Grosz, Evan Grosz, Rachel Grosz, Luke Cassidy

Lectors

5pm Sheila Forler-Bauman
 9:30am Iris Miltenburg
 Leona Weishar

Commentator

Colleen Weber
 Alex Glofcheskie

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Jan 5 Stewart Logan

Sign Ministry

Dec 30 Larry Knarr

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Jan 8 Stewart Logan

***THANK YOU** for your prayers, cards and thoughtfulness over the Christmas Season. May God continue to grow and be more alive in your lives, families and other activities.*

Fr. Peter

READINGS FOR January 4/5

First Reading: Is 60:1-6
 Second Reading: Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6
 Gospel Reading: Mt 2:1-12

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON - FRI Office Closed

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

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| Mon., December 30 | Rev. Mark Morley |
| Tues., December 31 | Rev. Jason Kuntz |
| Wed., January 1 | Diocesan Priests |
| Thurs., January 2 | Rev. Mark Sullivan |
| Fri., January 3 | Very Rev. Wayne Lobsinger |
| Sat., January 4 | Rev. Gregory Merkley |

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Juice and Canned Fruit (not pineapple)

MINISTRIES for January 4/5

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kathy Ziegler, Peggy Kelly-Kulaga, Phil Milan
 9:30am Sandi Hutchinson, Agnes Downey, Barb Vodicka

Hospitality

5pm Marianne Kieswetter, Jodi Sereres, Greg & Brent Goetz
 9:30am Ray Denomme, Sharon Both, Paul & Diane Shuttsa

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Confirmation: A Parent Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, January 9th at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Teresa of Avila Church. If your child attends a public school and is in Grade 7 please contact the Parish Office.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

– Please pick up your box of Offertory Envelopes for the Year 2020, which are available in the hallway. For those who are donating electronically please also pick up your set of envelopes as they have only the envelopes for special collections. If you wish to receive a box of envelopes place your name and address in the collection basket.

The next **PRAYER VIGIL** is **Thursday, January 2, 2020** from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in front of Freeport Hospital, 3570 King Street East, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy at kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com.

The next **NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM** for Zoomers, Boomers and Seniors is on **Thursday, January 9, 2020** at the Maryhill Community Centre, 58 Charles Street East, Maryhill from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Admission is \$2 per person. Tony Dowling of The Bridge Keepers will talk about “The West Montrose Bridge Through Seven Generations”. For information contact Joan Haid at jehaid@netflash.net or 519-648-2742.

SENIOR ADULT STUDY SESSION, "THE BIBLE & THE SACRAMENTS" is a deeper look at the mystery of the sacraments as illuminated by Sacred Scripture. Examining the rich relationship between the Old and New Testaments, the sacraments are more than mere earthly rituals! This DVD presentation & discussion format is based on the work of Dr. Scott Hahn. David Dayler, Director for the Office of Discipleship & Parish Life will facilitate this 10 session program on Wednesday afternoons, **beginning January 22, 2020** from 1 – 3 p.m. at the Chancery Office in Hamilton. The cost is \$50 and includes the book, "Swear to God" by Dr. Scott Hahn. Please register by January 13th with Monica by email, mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or telephone, 905-528-7988 ext. 2238.

You're invited to hear the **WATOTO CHILDREN'S CHOIR** from Uganda performing a free concert of their new album, "We Will Go" on **Thursday, January 23, 2020** at 6:30 p.m. at Gale Presbyterian Church, 10 Barnswallow Drive, Elmira.

HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS SHARE COMMON SKILLS – COME AND LEARN MORE! "Keys to Loving Relationships" is a ten week video-based program that all people (married, dating, or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program is offered in both Kitchener and Hamilton as follows:

In Kitchener: At St. Mark's Parish, 55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener (519-571-9200) on **Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. January 28 - March 24, 2020**

In Hamilton: At the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. W., Hamilton on **Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. March 26 – June 4, 2020**

The cost is \$45.00. For more information or to register, call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or register at: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

CCYMN HOPE COMES HOME CONFERENCE - The Canadian Youth Ministry Conference is being hosted **Friday, February 21st to Sunday, February 23rd, 2020** in Hamilton. Through keynote addresses, workshops and prayerful collaboration with one another, we look forward to unpacking the fruits of the Synod, and finding ways of applying the Apostolic Exhortation - *Christus Vivit* to day-to-day ministerial and Parish life. We invite anyone working alongside young people to join us, including priests, religious, youth ministers, youth ministry volunteers, teachers, chaplaincy leaders and teams, and individuals working

for Catholic service agencies. There are bursaries available for those wishing to attend but may not be able to due to financial constraint. For info about the conference, to register, or apply for a bursary please visit www.hopecomeshome.com. If you have any questions please contact Nicole McCowell, Interim Director of Youth Ministry, at 905-528-7988 ext. 2245 or nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com.

VOCATION SEEDS – By Baptism we are God's holy family today. Pray for the grace to live faithfully your vocation. If God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

KW BIRTHRIGHT ITEMS NEEDED UPDATE - could use NB undershirts, gently used size 0 – 24 months winter wear, indoor and outer wear.

HEALING AFTER AN ABORTION: IT IS POSSIBLE - Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. At Project Rachel we offer a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

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