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Established on the Second Sunday of Easter, 1851.

Pastor: Rev. David Lewis

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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 loved ones 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

Andrea Visneskie Barb Vodicka Frank McGuire Fr. David Lewis Leona Weishar Lisa Denomme Marty Merlihan Peggy Kelly Phil Milan

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Vocations

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.

February 11, 2018 Sixth Sunday in **Ordinary Time**



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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



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASSES FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12TH

Tuesday, February 13, 7:05 p.m.

+Frances Lewis; Marcella & Judy Furlong

We must fast with our whole heart, that is to say, willingly, wholeheartedly, universally and entirely. – St. Francis de Sales

Wednesday, February 14,

10:00 a.m. - School Ash Wednesday Mass

+Laura Logel; Maurice Downey

7:00 p.m.

Intentions of Michael & Sal Bertin; Armand & Lucy Bertin

Thursday, February 15, 12:05 p.m.

Intentions of Marie McCarron; Colleen Weber Patience is adjusting your time to God's time. – Mother Angelica

Friday, February 16,

9:00 a.m. Intentions of Owen & Celia McCollum;

Louise Roe & Family

9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Adoration

To pray and love, that is the happiness of a person living on earth. – St. John Mary Vianney

Saturday, February 17, 5 p.m.

- **+Douglas Furlong**; The Family
- +Mary Kelly; The Family
- +Vincent Snelling; Marie Snelling & Family

Sunday, February 18, 9:30 a.m., First Sunday of Lent Our Parish Community

READINGS FOR February 17/18

First Reading: Gn 9:8-15 Second Reading: 1 Pt 3:18-22 Gospel Reading: Mk 1:12-15

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON	& TUE	Office Closed
TUE	7:35 pm	C.W.L. Executive Meeting – Library
	7:35 pm	First Communion Parent Mtg - Church
WED	7:45 pm	5 p.m. Choir Practice – Church
	7:45 pm	9:30 a.m. Choir Practice – Seminar
THU		1:45 am Scripture Study - Rectory
	6:45 pm	Knights of Columbus Executive Mtg
	7:00 pm	Medieval Art & Architecture Talk

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

7:30 pm Knights of Columbus General Meeting

Mon., February 12	Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic
Tues., February 13	Rev. Felix Nwatu
Wed., February 14	Ash Wednesday
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Thurs., February 15 Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony

Fri., February 16 Rev. Peter Watters

Sat., February 17 Rev.Czeslaw Kolasa, S.A.C.

MINISTRIES for February 17/18

Eucharistic Ministers

5pm Kathy Ziegler, Peggy Kelly, Erl Andersen 9:30am Peter & Laura Antonello, Ken Gallipeau

Hospitality

5pm Kieran & Geoff Kelly, Mike & Doris Snelling 9:30am Linus & Pat Ditner, Rick & Leona Weishar

Altar Servers

5pm Phil Milan

9:30am Caleb Antonello, Ellen Siebel-Achenbach, Michèle

Siebel-Achenbach, Joseph Ditner

Lectors Commentator

5pm Kevin Dupuis Ann Staines

9:30am Maria Diemert Barry Glofcheskie

Iris Miltenburg

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Feb 18 Mary Mercey

Sign Ministry

Feb 12 Marty Merlihan

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Feb 21 Stewart Logan

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Juice Boxes and Canned Fruit (not pineapple)

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: There is an insert in our bulletin today. It is the Share Lent **SOLIDARITY CALENDAR.** It has daily suggestions for us to do for our own Lenten journey. Please check out the suggestions for February 14th – 24th. Our Share Lent collection will take place on Sunday, March 18th on Solidarity Sunday. Donations received that day will provide vital support to the poorest populations of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Today, Development and Peace supports 170 partners and 202 projects in 36 countries around the world. This is our 50th anniversary of service to the world.

SPECIAL LENTEN PROJECT – St. Teresa Parish, Elmira will be offering a series of talks on Medieval Art and Architecture during the season of Lent on Thursday evenings, **February 15**th, **February 22**nd, **March 1**st and **March 8**th at 7 p.m. in the church. The talks with power point visual display will be given by Dr. Joan Coutu, Professor of Art History at the University of Waterloo. Please join us.

The **LENTEN SCRIPTURE STUDY** will begin on **Thursday**, **February 15**th from 10:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. in the rectory. We reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings with application to our daily lives. All are welcome.

The Catholic Women's League will be leading the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Wednesday of Lent at Chartwell at 3:15 p.m. in the Activity Room. Please join us.

Beginning in the New Year we will be offering SESSIONS COVERING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH for those who would like to explore the possibility of being Baptized and/or Confirmed in the Catholic faith. These sessions would be especially helpful to those who often attend Mass with their families and would like to

receive Communion with them. No commitment is called for to begin. The sessions are offered as an opportunity to explore. All of the teachings are summaries of the essentials of our new Catechism. If you are interested please speak to Father David or pick up a registration form from Donna in the parish office.

Join the "CALL FOR CONSCIENCE" in the Hamilton Diocese - The Government of Canada passed legislation in June 2016, legalizing euthanasia/assisted suicide. The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario is forcing health care workers to participate in ending the lives of their patients. The Diocese of Hamilton wants to protect the rights of all healthcare workers. Visit

www.CanadiansforConscience.ca to learn more, write a letter to your Provincial Member of Parliament and consider adding your e-mail address to the Conscience Coalitions network to receive future information. We all need to join the "Call for Conscience" taking place between February 6th and March 31st. This week a letter is in the bulletin for you to sign and send to our MPP, Mr. Michael Harris for Kitchener-Conestoga.

MEDICALLY ASSISTED SUICIDE AND EUTHANASIA IN CANADA: WHERE ARE WE NOW? WHERE ARE WE GOING? Join us on February 11, 2018 from 2 - 4 p.m. at St. Michael's, Waterloo. Ever wonder what is happening in Canada with respect to medical assistance in dying (MAID) and euthanasia in Canada from a faith-based Christian perspective? And what does the medical community have to say about this newly adopted practice? How are we to respond and talk about medically assisted suicide and euthanasia since it has become legal in Canada just over a year ago? Find out the facts. This interactive workshop (lots of time for questions and comments) will present the current laws and medical practices, as well as future proposed developments, so that we are able to understand better the issues at stake from a Christian faith-based perspective. Presenters: Father David B. Perrin, Ph.D., Professor at St. Jerome's University, Waterloo and teaches courses in Christian Ethics and Spirituality and Dr. Donna Ward, M.D., a physician with expertise in Palliative Care and End-of-Life medical issues.

PANCAKE DINNER – Join us on Tuesday, February 13th from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. at Maryhill Heritage Park Community Centre. Free will offering. Menu of pancakes, syrup, sausage, dessert, coffee or juice. Everyone welcome.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT WEEKEND at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga from **February 16th to 18th**. This retreat will be preached by the Centre team – Oblate Father Powel Ratajczak and Mrs. Anne Hales. What a beautiful way to begin the season of Lent. For information or registration please call 905-278-5229.

2018 FEBRUARY POTATO BLITZ in support of the House of Friendship - the **COMMUNITY POTATO LUNCH** is on **Friday, February 23, 2018** at 12 noon at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kitchener. Join us for this annual

treat of delicious potato dishes and our 8th Annual Soup Idol; donations accepted.

The next **ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE WITH TAIZE SONGS** is on **Sunday, February 25**th at 7:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Memorial Anglican Church, 275 Mill Street, Kitchener.

WOOLWICH TOWNSHIP SENIORS LUNCH CLUB – Join us for a hot light lunch and fellowship with old and new friends at the Woolwich Memorial Centre, 24 Snyder Avenue, Elmira on Monday, February 26, 2018. Register by 10 a.m. on the Thursday morning before the lunch. Cancellations are to be made by 2 p.m. the Thursday before the lunch. Lunch is served at 12 noon. The cost is \$6. Call Community Care Concepts at 519-664-1900 to register.

CURSILLO WEEKENDS FOR 2018 - The Secretariat for Hamilton Diocese has approved the following dates for Cursillo Weekends. There will be one series in Spring and one in the Fall. The Spring weekends are April 12-15 for the Men's Weekend and April 26-29 for the Women's Weekend. The Fall Weekends are September 27-30 for the Men's Weekend and October 11-14 for the Women's Weekend. Cursillo is a great opportunity to share and enrich your faith and have a lot of fun doing it. If you would like more information please contact Danielle Pilon at 519-669-2606 or e-mail at malida@rogers.com.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday**, **June 10**, **2018** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster on the bulletin board for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

VOCATION SEEDS – Today's Gospel says that "Jesus was moved with pity when He saw a leper". Are you moved with love and compassion when you see the outcasts of today's society? Today Jesus continues to call forward men and women to minister as he did. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext 2246 or email mking@hamiltondiocese.com.

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