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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

MASSES FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 5TH

<p>Tuesday, January 7, 7:05 pm +Sharon Soeder; Maurice Downey <i>It is with the smallest brushes that the artist paints the best paintings. – St. André Bessette</i></p>
<p>Wednesday, January 8, 10:30 am – St. Jacobs Place +Kazimiera Poczatek; Estate <i>May the God of love and peace set your hearts at rest and speed you on your journey – St. Raymond of Penyafort</i></p>
<p>Thursday, January 9, 12:05 pm Intentions of Phil & Debra Milan; Armand & Lucy Bertin <i>Act as if every day were the last of your life, and each action the last you perform. – St. Alphonsus Liguori</i></p>
<p>Friday, January 10, 9:00 am +Ursula Hahn; Emmeline Runstedler & John DeWildt 9:30 am – 12:30 pm Adoration <i>Each one of them is Jesus in disguise. – St. Teresa of Calcutta</i></p>
<p>Saturday, January 11 5:00 pm +Giovanni Bellissima; The Family +Ron Weber; Carol Storz</p>
<p>Sunday, January 12, Feast of the Baptism of the Lord 9:30 am Our Parish Community After Mass Installation of the C.W.L. Executive</p>

READINGS FOR January 11/12

First Reading: Is 42:1-4, 6-7
 Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38
 Gospel Reading: Mt 3:13-17

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MON Office Closed
TUE 7:35pm Parish Pastoral Council - Library
WED 7:00pm 9:30 a.m. Choir Practice – Church

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Mon., January 6 Rev. Piotr Golinski
 Tues., January 7 Rev. Andrew Czarny
 Wed., January 8 Sisters of St. John the Baptist, C.S.J.B.
 Thurs., January 9 Rev. John Redmond
 Fri., January 10 Rev. Phillip Cook
 Sat., January 11 Very Rev. Lukasz Kopaniak, S.A.C.

LIVING ROSARY INTENTION

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

FOODBANK NEEDS

Canned Salmon and Toothpaste

MINISTRIES for January 11/12

Eucharistic Ministers
 5pm Steve & Patsy Pond, Erl Andersen
 9:30am Ken Gallipeau, Ray Denomme, Sharon Both

Hospitality

5pm Mike & Doris Snelling, Kieran & Geoff Kelly
 9:30am Rick & Leona Weishar, John Bruder, Ron Stemmler

Altar Servers

5pm Phil Milan
 9:30am Allyson Cassidy, Caleb Antonello, Rachel Lidster, Charlotte Stockie

Lectors

5pm Armand Bertin
 9:30am Tom O'Marra
 Joan Coutu

Commentator

Judy Furlong
 Iris Miltenburg

Sunday External Eucharistic Minister (to Elmira)

Jan 12 Debbie Yutzi

Sign Ministry

Jan 6 Pat Ditner

Wednesday External Eucharistic Minister

Jan 8 Stewart Logan



Today is the **FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST**, one of the oldest Christian feasts, throughout the centuries. It has celebrated a variety of things. *Epiphany* comes from a Greek verb meaning "to reveal," and all of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man.

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 **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.

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, January 20, 2020**. Register by 10 a.m. on the Thursday morning before the lunch. Cost of the lunch is \$7.00. Cancellations are to be made by 2 p.m. the Thursday before the lunch. Lunch is served at 12 noon. Call Community Care Concepts at 519-664-1900 to register.

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 and 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 – "On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? 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.

PARENTING TIP – Colder days in January can mean more time indoors, a perfect time to connect as a family. Board games, puzzles, movie night, sharing a decade of the Rosary, baking or cooking a meal together – these are all great ways to interact and learn about each other. The more time we spend with each other, the greater the connection we feel for the other. Children need to feel they are valued and nothing speaks to their hearts more compared to time spent together!

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