## The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Masses this Week

#### Tuesday, January 26 - Sts. Timothy & Titus

5:00 p.m. + Eugene Kerry - Dick & Lorene Wildeman

- + Maria Moniz & Luis Medeiros Jason & Arminda Galvao
- + Kevin George Margaret & Joe
- + Phyllis & James Cummings The Family

#### Wednesday, January 27

8:00 a.m. + Manuel & Gloria Sousa - Maria Sousa

#### Thursday, January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas

5:00 p.m. + George Oram - Joan Bedford

Friday, January 29

8:00 a.m. + Larry Tremblett - The Family

Saturday, January 30

**5:00 p.m.** - Sung Mass

- + Francisco & Maria Chaves Mike Chaves
- + Rachel Sousa Maria Sousa
- + Catherine Williams George & Sheila Basha
- + Tammy & Tom Little Mary, Joe & Family
- + Jim McBarron Ann Sims

#### Sunday, January 31 - 4th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 a.m. - Said Mass at the Altar of Our Lady

9:00 & 11:00 a.m. - Sung Mass

12:15 p.m. - Baptisms

#### This Week In Our Parish

#### Monday, January 25

7:30 p.m. - Knights of Columbus Meeting (Parish Hall)

#### Tuesday, January 26

**5:30 p.m.** - Holy Spirit Prayer Community (Church)

7:00 p.m. - SVDP Meeting (Parish Hall)

#### Saturday, January 30

10:00 a.m. - Baptismal Preparation (Church)

4:00 - 4:30 p.m. - Confessions

# There will be no adoration or benediction on Friday, January 29th.



Offertory		
Envelope Contributions Last Week	\$3,861.45	
Loose Collection	\$ 569.15	
Total Collection – Thank you	\$4,430.60	

## Liturgical Ministers - January 30th & 31st

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	I I:00 a.m.
Greeters	G. Thompson	P. O'Donnell	H. France
Greeters	R. Bevan	Vol Needed	R. France
Lectors LI	J. Kelly	D. Wylie	P. Ronzio
L2	A. Kelly	B. McIsaac	L. Jenkins
Communion	B. Seguin	B. Koopmans	J. Bui
	A. Miller	B. Sousa	T. Cabral

"They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority."

(Mark I: 22)

If you are visiting today,

### St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

Please take your bulletins home with you. We request that you do not leave bulletins and other items in the pews.

Many thanks.

#### **Blessing of Candles**

On Tuesday, February 2nd at the 5 pm mass we will bless candles to be used in our liturgical celebrations during the coming year. Additional candles will be blessed and made available for home use. These candles will be available to parishioners at a cost of \$5 per candle.

### **Blessing of Throats**

For centuries it has been a tradition for Catholics to have their throats blessed on or about the Feast of St. Blaise, the patron saint against throat ailments. The Blessing of Throats will take place at St. Patrick's Parish during the 8 am mass on Wednesday, February 3.

## Anointing of the Sick

The Anointing of the Sick will take place at St. Patrick's Parish on the weekend of February 6 & 7 during all masses. All those suffering chronic pain, illness or the burden of years are welcome to receive this sacrament.

## St. Patrick's Supper & Movie Night

Date: Saturday, February 13

Time: 6:00 p.m. Place: Parish Hall

A light supper will follow the 5 p.m. Mass. The movie, "The Good Earth," will begin at 6:45 p.m.

Based on Donald Davis and Owen Davis' stage-adaptation of Pearl S. Buck's sprawling novel, Sidney Franklin's *The Good Earth* is the story of a Chinese farming couple whose lives are torn apart by poverty, greed, and nature. Paul Muni stars as Wang Lung, a hardworking but poor farmer who weds freed slave O-Lan (Luise Rainer). It's an engaging story of love and perseverance. Please plan to join us.

Diocesan Prayer Calendar		
Mon. Jan. 25	Rev. Mark Sullivan	
Tues., Jan. 26	Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo	
Wed., Jan. 27	Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)	
Thurs., Jan. 28	Rev. Michael Downey	
Fri., Jan. 29	Rev. Drago Gacnik, S.D.B.	
Sat., Jan 30	Rev. Allen Varlaki	

## January 24, 2016

### **SVDP Refugee Sponsorship Effort**

The Diocese of Hamilton has entered into an agreement with the federal government to act as a "Settlement Agreement Holder", to provide blanket backing to parishes or other groups in the diocese hoping to sponsor refugee families. In the fall of 2015, the St. Vincent de Paul Particular Council (made up of the presidents of five Cambridge parish SVDP Conferences, the Thrift Store Manager, and Deacon Terry Osmar) provided \$25,000 toward the sponsorship of a refugee family. The Particular Council gets its funding from the Thrift Store. No funds donated to the St. Vincent de Paul Conferences within each parish will be used for or diverted to the refugee sponsorship effort. A small steering committee, composed of members from St. Clement's, St. Ambrose and St. Patrick's parishes, has been working since October to meet the requirements of both the diocese and the government, and we're almost there. Within the next two weeks our application to sponsor a family of 4-5 people will be submitted to the Diocesan Office of Refugees. When approved it will be forwarded to Ottawa, after which we will be allowed to choose the profile of "our family". The committee has received extremely generous support, both cultural and monetary, from the Arabic Social Club, Sham Rose, and the Cambridge Muslim Society of Cambridge.

Many from our parish communities as well have expressed interest in helping with "time, talent or treasure". As soon as our application has been accepted, more information on how parishioners can become involved will be forthcoming. In the meantime, the committee requests your prayers for wisdom as we participate in this decision that will change the lives of one family forever.

## The Gospel Of Luke Study Sessions

The first of seven study sessions for adults both young and old will be held on Tuesday, January 26 from 7 - 8:30 pm at St. Pius X Parish, Brantford. Facilitated by Dr. Josephine Lombardi, the theme for the session will be "The Presence of Joy in the Gospel of Luke." For more information or to register, please contact Monica Verin at: mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or at 905.528.7988 x 2238.

# First Holy Communion Parent Information Meeting

This meeting will take place at St. Patrick's Parish on

Thursday, February 18 from 7 – 8 pm for students of our four parish schools who are expecting to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion during this academic year. At this meeting, the process for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be outlined and registration forms will be distributed and explained. Please note that the meeting takes place in the church. No food or drinks please. Grade 2 students are not required to attend.

## **Catholic Teaching on Cremated Remains**

If you or a loved one is interested in cremation at some future date, please see the pamphlet from the Diocese of Hamilton located at all three church doors.

## Hearing The Call To A Vocation To Serve The Church

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? If you feel God's call to the priesthood or consecrated life, please visit www.HamiltonVocations.com.

#### Reverence

"Eucharistic amazement" is expressed in reverence and in the dignity and care brought to every celebration of Mass. These are attitudes that befit not only the priest and other sacred ministers, but all the baptized. Through Baptism and Confirmation, God has prepared his children to stand in his presence and offer him worship. "Christian," says Saint Leo the Great, "know your dignity" (Sermon I on the Birth of the Lord).

The first school of reverence is the home. Children can learn from their earliest years to make the sign of the cross slowly and deliberately, to kneel in adoration, to listen quietly, to stand in attention, and to treat holy things with respect. Adults can show by their example that the church is the house of God and the Mass the holiest of mysteries. In true reverence there is nothing constrained or artificial. Reverence is a joyful and gracious thing, akin to the wonder of one who finds himself face to face with a great beauty, or heart to heart with a great love. To every word and gesture of the Mass give the imprint of reverence. "I bow down before your holy temple," says the psalmist, "filled with awe" (Psalm 5:8). Taken from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

## Please Observe a Reverent Silence in Church

Talk to God before Mass – and talk to each other after Mass – and please ensure that all mobile devices are switched off to avoid distracting others who are in prayer. Children are most welcome. The narthex or the parish hall should be used as a crying room if needed. *Thank you*.

## C.W.L. Membership Dues

All C.W.L. members are asked to please pay their 2016 C.W.L. membership dues of \$20 by Sunday, February 7th in order that they may be forwarded to the C.W.L. National Office in a timely fashion. Please remember to write your name on the envelope. If paying by cheque, make it payable to "St. Patrick's CWL." Thank you.

### **Canadian Food for Children**

Throughout the months of **January and February** the CWL will be collecting rice and canned meats for Canadian Food for Children. All donations may be placed in the Canadian Food for Children box located in the narthex of the church.

"We may ignore, but we can nowhere evade the presence of God. The world is crowded with Him. He walks everywhere incognito."

— C.S. Lewis