

The Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Masses this Week

Tuesday, February 6 - St. Paul Miki

5:00 p.m. + Rosemary & Lloyd Schnarr - Stan & Marjorie Bolger
+ Souls in Purgatory - Antonio & Maria C. DaCosta

Wednesday, February 7

8:00 a.m. + Gerald Fitzgerald - Sheila & Doug Konrad

Thursday, February 8

5:00 p.m. + Carmela Presti - The Family

Friday, February 9

8:00 a.m. + Roger O'Toole - Pat & Ruth Hammond

Saturday, February 10

5:00 p.m. - Sung Mass
+ Maria Soares - Maria Resendes & Family
+ Antonio Machado - The Moreira Family
+ Carlos Nicolau & Family - The Family
+ Richard & Renee - Harriet Davidson
+ Angela Rocco - The Family

Sunday, February 11 – 6th SUNDAY IN OT

8:00 a.m. - Said Mass at the Altar of Our Lady
9:00 a.m. - Sung Mass + Luigi & Luigia Renna & Family - The Family
11:00 a.m. - Sung Mass - Pro populo



If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

Please observe a reverent silence -
talk to God before Mass and to each other after Mass -
and please ensure that all mobile devices are switched off or silenced
to avoid distracting others in prayer.



St. Patrick's Supper & Movie Night

Date: Saturday, February 17
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Parish Hall

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

On Feb. 18, 1952, a massive storm splits the SS Pendleton in two, trapping more than 30 crew inside the tanker's sinking stern. Engineer Ray Sybert bravely takes charge to organize a strategy for his fellow survivors. As word of the disaster reaches the Coast Guard in Chatham, Mass., Chief Warrant Officer Daniel Cluff orders a daring rescue mission. Despite the ferocious weather, coxswain Bernie Webber takes three men on a lifeboat to try and save the crew against seemingly impossible odds. Please plan to join us.

This Week In Our Parish

Tuesday, February 6

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

Wednesday, February 7

8:30 a.m. – Confessions, *immed. following mass until finished* (Church)

7:00 pm - Choir Practice (Church)

Saturday, February 10

3:45 - 4:30 p.m. – Confessions (Church)



Preparing For Next Week

Leviticus 13 : 1 - 2, 45 - 46 ; Psalm 32;
I Corinthians 10: 31 - 11:1 ; Mark 1: 40 - 45

Offertory

Envelope Contributions Last Week	\$4,193.75
Loose Collection	\$ 576.15
Total Collection – Thank you	\$4,769.90

Liturgical Ministers - February 10 & 11

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeters	C. Camara G. Thompson	E. Normore <i>Vol. Needed</i>	C. Gregorasz M. Bertoni
Lectors L1 L2	N. Applebee M. Applebee	A. Sousa J. Streppel	R. St. Cartier J. St. Cartier
Communion	J. Madruga A. Miller	B. Sousa S. Braga	H. France R. France

Please note: there will be no adoration or Benediction on Friday, February 9.

Please note that the 8 am Mass on Sunday, February 4 and Sunday, February 11 will be celebrated at the main Altar.

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Mon. Feb 5	Rev. Jozo Grubisic, O.F.M.
Tues. Feb 6	Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.
Wed. Feb 7	Discalced Carmelite Fathers (O.C.D.)
Thurs. Feb 8	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Fri. Feb 9	Very Rev. John Van Hees
Sat. Feb 10	Rev. Ilija Petkovic

For information about diocesan workshops and events, please visit:
<https://hamiltondiocese.com>



Rembrandt van Rijn
The Return of the Prodigal Son, c. 1661–1669

Lenten Study Series - In Four Sessions

This year the Lenten study will focus on Fr. Henri Nouwen's book, *The Return of the Prodigal Son - A Story of Homecoming*. Fr. Nouwen's insightful reflections centre on the different characters of Rembrandt's famous painting, *The Return of the Prodigal Son*, while also paying close attention to the biblical parable from which Rembrandt drew his inspiration. The book is divided, thematically, into three parts or movements: The Younger Son, The

Elder Son and The Father.

We'll begin our study and reflection with a description of Rembrandt's painting from which we will endeavour to follow Fr. Nouwen's description - and then, to interpret for ourselves the well-known and well-loved parable of Jesus about the prodigal son, so fitting a subject for contemplation during the Lenten season.

Please join us on 4 consecutive Thursday evenings in Lent - February 22 and March 1, 8 & 15 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Books have been ordered and will be provided. Participants in the four week study series are invited, but in no way are obligated, to assist in defraying the expense of \$20 per book. Kindly notify the office prior to **Wednesday, February 7** if you are planning to attend so that a book may be ordered and set aside for you. Should you choose to do so, you may order your own hard copy through Amazon.ca where you will find the book is also available on Kindle.

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 (samples available on their website) 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 6 and March 31.

Love, as distinct from "being in love," is not merely a feeling. It is a deep unity, maintained by the will and deliberately strengthened by habit; it is reinforced by (in Christian marriages) the grace which both partners ask for and receive from God.

~ C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

Welcome to Our Christian Community

For all the baptized, children or adults, faith must grow *after* Baptism. For the grace of Baptism to unfold, the parents' help is important. So too is the role of the *godfather* and *godmother*, who must be firm believers, able and ready to help the newly baptized - child or adult - on the road of Christian life. The whole ecclesial community bears some responsibility for the development and safeguarding of the grace given at Baptism (CCC 1253 - 1255).

We welcome the following children to the household of faith through the waters of Baptism: *Owen Downey, Chloe McDermott, Daniel Moura, Aviena Johnson, Charleigh Gomes, Aria Lapointe-Silva and Blake Vandergeld*. Let us pray that they will continue to grow in faith, bearing witness to Christ by a life of holiness and service.

Reflecting on Mercy

The works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbour in his spiritual and bodily necessities. When we attend to the needs of those in want, we give them what is theirs, not ours. More than performing works of mercy, we are paying a debt of justice (CCC 2446-2447).

The seven corporal works of mercy:

1. Feed the hungry.
2. Give drink to the thirsty.
3. Clothe the naked.
4. Shelter the homeless.
5. Visit the sick.
6. Visit the imprisoned.
7. Bury the dead.

The seven spiritual works of mercy:

1. Counsel the doubtful.
2. Instruct the ignorant.
3. Admonish sinners.
4. Comfort the afflicted.
5. Forgive offences.
6. Bear wrongs patiently.
7. Pray for the living and the dead.



Convalidation

Church law requires baptized Roman Catholics to marry before a bishop, priest, or deacon and two witnesses. Catholics who have married outside of the Catholic Church are encouraged to have their civil marriage recognized by the Church. This is called **convalidation**. The process does not cost anything, is often not very difficult and always helps the couple live their faith more fully. Please contact the parish office for more information or to arrange an appointment to begin the process of convalidating your civil union.

Canadian Food for Children



Throughout the month of **February** the CWL will be collecting canned meat and fish for Canadian Food for Children. All donations may be placed in the Canadian Food for Children box located in the narthex of the church.