THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

(followed by Novena to St. Anthony)

5:00 pm

+ Carmela & Giovanni Presti

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 8:00 am

+ Monica DaCosta

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10 (ST. SCHOLASTICA) 5:00 pm

(followed by Miraculous Medal Novena)

+ Ted Feret

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY II

8:00 am (8:30 - 9:30 am adoration & recitation of Divine Mercy Novena) + John & Luiza DaCosta

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12 5:00 pm

- + Antonio Machado
- + Jacinto da Costa & Maria Medeiros

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13 9:00 am

+ Teresa Moniz

11:00 am

Mass for the People - pro populo

2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES

2022 offering envelopes are now available for pick up in the narthex (including EFT consolidated boxes). Please, please, please be sure to take yours home with you after Mass today. Many thanks!

Envelope Contributions \$1,530.00 Loose Collection \$285.85 EFT Donations \$1,148.00 Total Collection - Thank you \$2,963.85



If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Sick will be offered to parishioners on **Friday**, **February 11 at the 8 am Mass**. Those suffering chronic illness or pain are welcome to receive this anointing.



THE SUPERNATURAL CHARACTER OF CATHOLIC MORALITY

The crisis of faith today is rooted in a loss of the sense of the supernatural; in theology (for example, "demythologizing" miracles and Christ's Resurrection),

in liturgy (for example, substituting the "horizontal" human community for the "vertical" divine worship), and in morality (for example, changing God's absolute commandments into man's relative values). But Christian morality is supernatural in its essences, in its origin.

The essence of Christian morality is a relationship with God and his will, not just human self-fulfillment or society or abstract ideals or values, however important these aspects of morality are. The quest for personal happiness, for social justice and peace, and for higher and deeper human values is still quite popular in modern secular civilization, fortunately. But the idea of submission to God's authority and obedience to his laws certainly is not. Just think of what immediate reaction is produced by the words "submission', "authority", "obedience", and "laws". (Adapted from Peter Kreeft's, Catholic Christianity)

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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FEBRUARY 12 & 13			
	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	I I:00 a.m.
Lectors	P. Cooper	B. Sousa	J. Frias
Communion	C. Cooper J. Kelly	J. Bui A. Sousa	J. Kelly V. Umolac

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MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia*, Pope Francis writes: "After the love that unites us to God, conjugal love is the "greatest form of friendship". It is a union possessing all the traits of a good friendship: concern for the good of the other, reciprocity, intimacy, warmth, stability and the resemblance born of a shared life." (AL #123) February is a great month to spend some time with this beautiful quote and ask yourself if your love truly reflects a great friendship, or if it is time to restore these traits to your marriage.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Children of all ages, but especially very young children, take their clues on how to respond to the world for the most part from their parents. No one will have a greater impact on your child. So, as you go about your day, know that your children are watching and listening to everything you say and do and taking lessons from you. Communicate about actions, life, the faith, on a day-to-day basis to help solidify what is important. Check your own actions and remember silence is consent, so if hear or see something that you know is wrong, speak up and tell your children why. We need goodness in our world and you have the power to teach it.

MOUNT MARY IMMACULATE RETREAT CENTRE

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre is now open and accepting group and personal retreat bookings for 2022! With a large Chapel and acres of untouched green space, Mount Mary is an ideal location for those seeking a retreat experience. Groups of all types are welcome for a day or for an overnight say. Individuals are also welcome to book out the "Cottage" for a personal retreat experience. For more information, please visit: www.mountmary.ca

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR		
Monday	Rev. Michael Anderson	
Tuesday	Rev. Robert Love	
Wednesday	Missionaries	
Thursday	Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.	
Friday	Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.	
Saturday	Rev. Ilija Petkovic	

HEARING THE CALL TO A VOCATION TO SERVE THE CHURCH?

Contact Bishop Lobsinger at: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

"Our hope is always essentially also hope for others; only thus is it truly hope for us too. As Christians we should never limit ourselves to asking: how can I save myself? We should also ask: what can I do in order that others may be saved and that for them too the star of hope may rise? Then I will have done my utmost for my own personal salvation as well."

~ Benedict XVI, Spe Salvi, 48

THE WITNESS OF FAITH IN THE HOME

The Witness of Faith in the Home is the second talk in our Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series - Join us on Wednesday, February 16 from 7-8:30 p.m. for this wonderful talk by Connie Clark. Connie is the author of numerous books, booklets and articles for parents, catechists, teens and kids. Sharing engaging personal stories, encouragement, and practical ideas, Connie helps families recognize their beautiful, vital role in the Christian community and in the family of God. She will focus on how parents/grandparents/teachers/ aunts/uncles/catechists and everyone can guide families as they grow in faith. The entire series, running once per month until lune, will be presented by zoom, so you must register for each talk, but can join in by internet or phone. Check the Diocesan website at amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/ for more information on the series and to register. For more contact Teresa Hartnett information. thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com.

"AFTER THE STORM: BUILDING THE POPE FRANCIS VILLAGE"

Join us February 24, 2022 from 7 - 9 pm for "After the Storm" - which is part of the Reel Justice Film Festival! The film documents the transformational journey of 550 families in Tacloban, Philippines following the devastation of Super Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. In the aftermath of this natural disaster, Development and Peace — Caritas Canada, supporting local organizations, transformed a piece of land into new homes, a new community, and new lives. This documentary is a celebration of the fruits of your solidarity with our brothers and sisters in the Global South. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at reeliusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/.

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:

- I. 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:

- I. 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.

