



St Joseph Church



2nd Sunday of Easter & Divine Mercy Sunday April 15-16, 2023

Mass Intentions April 17 - April 23, 2023			Prayer Calendar
Mass Times	St. Anne	St. Joseph	Diocese of Hamilton
Monday 8:00 am	No Mass	† All Holy Souls – Johny Baby	St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Protectress of Canada
Tuesday 7:00 pm	† Trinity & Ernesto Matias – Georgina † Joseph Latin – Mario & Vicky Lorello	No Mass	Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
Wednesday 8:00 am	Int of Mary Lou – family	No Mass	Jesuit Fathers (S.J.)
Thursday 8:00 am	† Juan Miguel Andrade – J & S Andrade	† Sabrina Lauchard – Darlene Clausing	Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel
Friday 8:00 am	† Fritz Hohl – Hayek family	† Albert Kuntz – Gert K	Rev. Wilson Andrade, C.S.C.
Saturday St. Anne 4:00 pm St. Joseph 5:00 pm	† Ray Koch – family † Rita Buhlman – Mary & John † Joan Schnarr – Mary & John Int of Lise Lindsay – Mary	† Wolfgang & Mary Dienst – Frank Kossuth Int of Vince Gemmiti & Family – Tony Finoro Int of John & Saida Andrade – J & S Andrade † Teresa Viveiros – family	Rev. Emmanuel Ralte, C.S.C
Sunday St. Anne 9:30 am St. Joseph 11:00 am	Int of Wayne & Lynne MacGillivary – friend Int of Confirmandi & Families – Parish	† Ildebrando Silveira – Maria Silveira	

SUNDAY MASS

Our Churches are open, and we follow public health measures. Masks are encouraged. Our weekend and weekday Masses are celebrated at the usual times.

Church Offering Report: once a month. Offertory envelopes can be dropped off in the parish mailbox. Please call the office to pick up your Church envelopes.

Pre-Authorized Giving: next withdrawal – *April 15th* More information is available on our websites.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

St. Anne: Monday - Closed, Tuesday - Friday 8:30-11:30am St. Joseph: Monday - Closed, Tuesday - Friday 12:30-3:30pm

DIOCESAN VOCATION CORNER

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Will you respond to God's call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com Website: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

This Week's Liturgical Readings

April 16 - 2nd Sunday of Easter & Divine Mercy Sunday

- 1) Acts 2:42-47
- 2) 1 Peter 1:3-9
- 3) John 20:19-31

FOCUS: The Lord invites us to touch his wounds and encounter the font of all mercy.

Jesus gives Thomas a great gift when he invites Thomas to touch his wounds. In his wounds, Christ displays his response of mercy to our sinfulness. When we doubt, we can ask the Lord for the grace to touch his wounds through prayer and to receive his mercy for us.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In Acts, we hear a description of the early Church as a community of deep faith, shared possessions, and continual growth. Saint Peter speaks of the power of faith that endures through adversity. In the Gospel, Jesus reveals himself twice to his disciples. Thomas would not believe without seeing Jesus.

SPAM/SCAM EMAILS



Recently several parishioners have received fake emails claiming to be from Parish staff. Please check carefully that anything received from us is from our email address. Many

times, someone's name will be correct, but the email address in the 'sent' field is incorrect. If you think a link looks suspicious, don't click on it! Scammers are smart and will do their best to trick you. No one from the parish office will ever contact you asking for cash or gift cards. If you are in doubt, please contact us to check if an email is legitimate.

PRAY FOR OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Please pray for all those preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the end of April. They will be gathering for their retreat this Saturday, April 15, including joining St Anne Parish for 4 pm Mass. Come, Holy Spirit!



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Families with children preparing for First Communion need to be reminded of the following:

> First Communion Retreat: The first retreat will be from 1-3:30 pm, Saturday, April 29 at St Anne Church. This retreat is for children celebrating on April 30 and May 7. The second retreat will be from 1-3:30 pm, Saturday, May 13 at St Joseph Church. This retreat is for children from St Anne Parish celebrating on May 14 and May 28, as well as children from St Joseph.

ST. ANNE - CWL

St. Mary's/St. Anne's Catholic Women's League invites you to join us on Sunday, April 16, following St. Mary's 11 am Mass. This is the Second Sunday of Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday! In honour of this special day, there will be a special Liturgy, giving Glory and Honour to Our Risen Lord. Please join us for beverages, and a plate of savoury buns. Looking forward to seeing you and sharing with each of you Fellowship, Friendship and Prayer! See you on the 16th!

CELEBRATION OF PRIESTHOOD

The Serra Club of Hamilton is hosting the annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on May 2 at LiUNA Station (Hamilton). This event will celebrate the four Deacons who will be ordained Priests for the Diocese, as well as a Candidate for the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate. As well, Priests and Religious Sisters and Brothers who have reached a milestone anniversary will be recognized and celebrated. Please let the Parish office know if you are interested in attending.

ST. ANNE - COFFEE SUNDAY

The next Coffee Sunday for St. Anne is on Sunday, May 21.

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY!

The snow is gone, the robins are back, the umpire hollers "Play Ball" and the return of the very popular Kitchener Knights of Columbus Annual Great Big Spring Clean-up. Set to go on Saturday May 6, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, bring your discarded and unwanted to the St. Anthony Daniel parking lot at Ottawa and Franklin. We will be collecting all your old electronics, outdated televisions, computers, laptops and Bring your scrap metal, including copper, cellphones. stainless steel, and brass. The Kitchener and area Girl Guides will be on hand selling their renowned cookies. Also, pick up a bottle of the delicious Knights of Columbus locally produced maple syrup. A cash donation or non-perishable food for the Waterloo Region Foodbank is welcomed. Aid the Knights by helping to raise the necessary funds for local charities. For further information contact:

Dave Hudder: 519-575-3614---hudderconnie3@gmail.com Reinhart Schreiter: 519-570-3469---rkschreiter@hotmail.com

BEST FRIENDS of BIG SISTERS CARD PARTY

Ladies, mark your calendars for Wednesday, May 17 from 12:00 - 4:00 pm. Get a group together and join us at the Polish Legion, 601 Wellington St. N., Kitchener. Tickets will be remaining at \$25. Enjoy an afternoon of cards, draws, and lots of prizes including a light lunch and refreshments. ALL proceeds go to support our local youth in the Little Sisters Program. For more information, please contact Diane 648-2432 or dstrickler@continuum.org

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Heartache to Healing - Grief Support Group. Grief support provides companionship on the long journey through the grief process. Our six-week grief support program follows the process developed by Dr. Bill Webster, an experienced leader in grief counselling. All who have suffered a loss are welcome, regardless of how much time has passed since your loss. Online six-week course: coordinated by the Diocese of Hamilton - Thursday's from 7:00-8:30 pm, April 13 - May 18. Register with Teresa 905-528-7988 ext. 2250 or at: https://crm.hamiltondiocese.com/register/workshops.aspx.

In-person six-week course: you can register now. Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 pm, May 17 to June 21 at St. Michael Parish. Register with Kathy Shaw 519-886-2117 or email: shawbing@rogers.com information: For more https://stmichaelw.ca/grief-support.

VBS

VBS - Save the date! Half-day camp for ages 5-11 will run mornings from August 21-25. More information coming soon!

RETREAT AT LOYOLA HOUSE

COME RETREAT WITH LOYOLA HOUSE! Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? Interested in learning something new? See our website at loyolahouse.com (under "Events") for more information on these upcoming retreats & programs:

- The Call of the Land Weekend Retreat April 28-30
- Birds Weekend Retreat May 19-21
- Directed Prayer Weekend June 9-11
- Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment June 9-11
- Teilhard de Chardin 8-Day Retreat June 15-23
- 8-Day Directed Silent Retreat May 23-31; June 15-23 Register online: loyolahouse.com or call 519-824-1250 ext 266.

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

Bishop Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency". This is an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month, at 7:00 - 8:30 pm. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: KW TRIVIA CHALLENGE

The 6th Annual KW Trivia Challenge, in support of Tiny Home Takeout, presented by the Kitchener Knights of Columbus and Heffner Toyota, will be on **Friday, April 28**, at Double Tree by Hilton in Kitchener, 30 Fairway Road South. To register your team, visit: www.kofc1504.com or call: 519-721-7254. Doors open at 5:00 pm, Trivia starts at 6:00 pm.

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT

On Saturday, **May 6**, Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm), at Canadian Martyrs Catholic Church and Chaplaincy, 1349 Main Street West, Hamilton Ontario. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For information, contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

ST. AGNES - EDUCATION CAFE

"Loving Our Grown Children When Beliefs Collide": Sometimes our beliefs about our faith can clash with those of our grown children. We may wonder "Where did we go wrong?" When choices clash, divisions run deep & tension exists, how do we trust God's plan, keep communicatingand HOW do we love our way through this? **Sunday April 30** (2:00 to 3:30 pm) at St. Agnes Parish with guest Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, Diocese of Hamilton. For event details visit the Events section at www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org

KW RIGHT TO LIFE NEWS

- The next Adoration for Life will be May 4 and 5, as we pause this month to concentrate on Christ's death and Resurrection.
- Bus trip to Queen's Park for the March for Life in Toronto Leaves Walmart Parking Lot Fairway Park Mall 10:30 am, May 12. Be there by 10:00 am. Returns to Kitchener by 6pm. Reserve your bus seat \$30 (Bus has washroom). Students ride free. Sponsor a seat for someone who would like to attend. Parents, bring your children and grandchildren or friends. Contact 519.746.5433 jane@kwrtl.ca

INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND

The Indigenous Reconciliation Fund collection will take place in our Parish next weekend, **April 22 & 23**. This collection supports the Diocese of Hamilton's participation in the Canadawide \$30 million commitment. Please find attached to this bulletin a letter from



His Excellency, Bishop Crosby regarding this special collection. Please find special WHITE envelopes in the pews this weekend to take home and return next weekend for the collection. Your generous support is greatly appreciated.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK



Catholic Education Week is held each year in May in our 29 Ontario Catholic School Boards. Catholic Education

Week 2023 is scheduled to take place during the week of April 30 – May 5. It is our pleasure to announce the theme for Catholic Education Week 2023: We are Many, We are One. Inspired by the Gospel, the Ontario Catholic School Trustees' Association provides the provincial voice, leadership and service for elected Catholic school trustees to promote and protect publicly funded Catholic education in Ontario.

