



### Mass Intentions February 13 – 19, 2023

### Prayer Calendar

	St. Anne	St. Joseph	Diocese of Hamilton
<b>Monday</b> 8:00 am	No Mass	Int of Bishop Crosby – Darlene Clausing	Rev. Francis Noronha, C.S.C.
<b>Tuesday</b> 7:00 pm	† Maria Maida Cagran – a friend	Thanksgiving for Holy Family & Anniversary of A & A Arruda – A & A Arruda Int of John & Saida Andrade – J & S Andrade	Rev. Rafal Tomon
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:00 am	Int of Mary Lou - family	No Mass	Discalced Carmelite Sisters (O.C.D.)
<b>Thursday</b> 8:00 am	† Lisa Gascho – Hayek family	Int of Parishioners	Very Rev. Tim Uniack, C.R.
<b>Friday</b> 8:00 am	† Paulino Matias – Georgina	Int of Parishioners	Rev. Pat Aiello, C.R.
<b>Saturday</b> St. Anne 4 pm St. Joseph 5 pm	† Mary Erdman – Janet † Robert Eckert – family	† Souls in Purgatory – Julia Domingues † Manuel Lameira – Fernanda Lameira Int of Mary Del Rosario – Tony Finoro	Rev. Chris Buda, C.R.
<b>Sunday</b> St. Anne 9:30 am St. Joseph 11 am	† Mark Fedy – Hayek family	† Ildebrando Silveira – Maria S † João Medeiros – Fatima Costa † Maria dos Angos Sousa – Gloria Melo & Carma Vieira † Maria Teixeira – Teixeira family	

### 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 – *February 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

“No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him.” If you feel you are being invited to spread the Good News of God's love as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
Website: [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### This Week's Liturgical Readings

#### February 12 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 1) Sirach 15:15-20
- 2) 1 Corinthians 2:6-10
- 3) Matthew 5:17-37

#### FOCUS: God's wisdom guides us to love in truth.

Human wisdom, hard as it is to come by, differs qualitatively from the wisdom of God. God's wisdom draws not only on God's knowledge of all things, but also on God's love of all things in totality and purity. When we follow Christ, we are drawn deeper into his way of love. We seek and trust his wisdom as the way of life.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, Sirach tells the people that if they choose to follow the commandments, they will be saved: Before man are life and death, good and evil. Saint Paul writes of God's wisdom, whose depth and mystery is beyond understanding. In the Gospel, Jesus proclaims his mission to fulfill the law and the Prophets, and calls for following the law of God in a new way, with totality of heart.

## SEASON OF LENT



Ash Wednesday is approaching! Lent begins on February 22. There will be TWO masses on Ash Wednesday, **February 22** at BOTH parishes: 8:00 am AND 7:00 pm. The Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday during Lent in both parishes. Lenten

Reflection booklets will be available at the entrances of the Church on Ash Wednesday (free will offering). Lent is a time for penance and repentance, for almsgiving and prayer, for working to change attitudes that are not pleasing to God.

## ST. ANNE – ROSARY GROUP GUEST SPEAKER

Come pray the Rosary at 1:00 pm on **Tuesday, February 14** and join us afterwards to meet with a special guest speaker, Rev Deacon Sean Meany. Rev Deacon Sean and his wife Amanda will talk about his transition from a career as police officer to an ordained Deacon. Bring a friend to hear about this inspirational journey. Refreshments provided.

## YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Our high school youth group (grades 9-12) meets **Friday, February 17** (7-8:30 pm) at St. Anne.

Our elementary school youth group (grades 6-8) meets **Friday, February 24** (7-8:30 pm) at St. Anne.



## 2023 WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, April 16**, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Register at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

## ST. ANNE & ST. JOSEPH - MAPLE SYRUP SALE

With the approaching Easter Season and Ash Wednesday, the Kitchener Knights of Columbus have prepared a feature that should enhance the custom of enjoying pancakes on Shrove Tuesday! NEXT WEEKEND, after masses on **February 18 and 19**, professionally and locally made syrup will be available for purchase at both parishes. Funds raised will enable the Knights to continue their charitable works for the community. Your continual support for the Kitchener Knights is appreciated.

## ST. JOSEPH – C.W.L.

CWL and ladies of St. Joseph parish are invited to a luncheon THIS Sunday, February 12 from 12-2:00 pm, in the Church Hall for a discussion of St. Joseph's CWL future and the difficulties we have faced over the past few years. CWL members know faith is important to women; members are called to grow in faith and to witness the love of God through ministry and service. Come grow with us!

## ST. ANNE/ST.MARY'S C.W.L

St. Mary's/St. Anne's Catholic Women's League - greetings and blessings dear ladies - we invite you to join us on **Sunday, February 19**, following St. Mary's 11 am Mass. We will be honouring our Blessed Mother with prayer and reflections for Her feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes. Please join us for tea, coffee, water, and a plate of sweets! Looking forward to seeing you and sharing with each of you Fellowship, Friendship and Prayer! See you on the 19th!

## ST. ANNE – COFFEE SUNDAY BAKE SALE!



CALLING ALL BAKERS! St. Anne Church will be having a bake sale NEXT WEEKEND, Sunday, February 19, after mass. Would you consider sharing a sweet treat or dessert with us? We are asking our generous bakers to please have their donations in the church kitchen prior to the 9:30 am mass on Sunday morning.

## "Beyond The Pew" SPEAKER SERIES

Come join us as insightful speakers with "boots on the ground" experience share stories on Homelessness, Addictions, Mental Health, & Youth in our community. A wonderful opportunity to learn what is going on, followed by discussion. All sessions run from 7:00–8:30 pm. Free will offerings accepted. See the bulletin boards for speaker information. Sessions will take place on **February 21, and March 21**. Register at the parish office of St. Clements: 519-653-6123; [stclements@rogers.com](mailto:stclements@rogers.com) or at 745 Duke Street, Cambridge.

## GOSPEL OF JOHN BIBLE STUDY GROUP



This study group, of the Gospel of John, is your guide to a personal encounter with Christ. Each session invites us to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Jesus through study, prayer, & lively group discussion. Bring your questions, we'll explore and learn together! We meet on **Tuesdays, February 14 through to April 11** (9:45 am - 11:45 am or 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm). Cost: \$10.00. Location: Blessed Sacrament Parish, Kitchener. For more information call parish office: 519-742-5061.

### ST. JOSEPH FISH FRY – HELP WANTED

The Social Committee at St. Joseph Church is planning a parish Fish Fry for Good Friday, April 7. Would you like to help? You are invited to a planning meeting on **Sunday, February 19** after the 11:00 mass in the rectory meeting room. You could also talk with a member of the social committee or contact the church office about helping. "Teamwork divides the task and multiplies the success"! Thank you!



### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION



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

**First Communion:** **Sunday, March 5** at St. Anne (6-7pm) OR **Monday, March 6** at St. Joseph (6-7pm).

**Confirmation:** **Sunday, February 26** at St. Joseph (7-8:30pm) OR **Monday, February 27** at St. Anne (7-8:30pm).

### FILM FESTIVAL – REEL JUSTICE

Join the Reel Justice Film Festival **Thursday, February 23**, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm for two short films. ***A Better Tent City*** follows a group of dedicated individuals working together to create a self-organized housing community in Kitchener, ON. ***Safe*** explores the housing and opioid crises through the stories of tenants that live in Indwell affordable housing units in southern Ontario. Both films focus on the necessity for low barrier housing, community building, and respect for our shared home.

Special discussion following the screening with **Fr. Toby Collins, C.R., Pastor at St. Mary Church**, Kitchener speaking about his work and **Jess Brand**, Indwell regional manager for Hamilton. *The screening and discussion will be hosted online. R.S.V.P. and view our full schedule of events at: [reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/](http://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/)*

### RETREAT AT LOYOLA HOUSE

Are you looking to break away and spend some time in silence? See our website at [loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) for information on upcoming retreats & programs:

- **Finding Your Way: Weekend of Discernment** - February 17-19
- **Silent Spring in Dead of Winter: A Weekend Retreat** - February 17-19
- **Knowing the Heart of Jesus** - February 24-26

Register online at [loyolahouse.com](http://loyolahouse.com) or contact [registration@ignatiusguelph.ca](mailto:registration@ignatiusguelph.ca) or by calling 519 824 1250 ext 266.

### YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT - WATERLOO

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) on **Saturday, March 4** at St. Michael's Catholic Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

### EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

Bishop Wayne 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 7pm - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith.

### EDUCATION CAFÉ – "TRUSTING GOD IN THE STORM"

On **Sunday March 5**, at 2:00 pm, St. Agnes Church, (75 Bluevale St. N., Waterloo) welcomes everyone to come and listen to our guest speaker, Fr. Vivek Trindade. Life's circumstances can sometimes feel overwhelming. This event will focus on trusting in God, relying on Him to calm our internal storms of fear, doubt, and uncertainty. More details are on our bulletin board or at: [www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org/events](http://www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org/events)

### 2023 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICES

The Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada ([www.wicc.org](http://www.wicc.org)) annual World Day of Prayer will be celebrated in Kitchener on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. The theme is, "I Have Heard About Your Faith". There are four ways that you can participate:

- Watch the video on Rogers Cable channel 20 on Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Join a Zoom viewing session, followed by a discussion and prayer session hosted by St Andrew's Presbyterian Church
- Attend the in-person service at St George's of Forest Hill Anglican Church - Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Go directly to [www.wicc.org](http://www.wicc.org) and view the video at any time.

For more information, please contact: Shirley Gosselin, Chair World Day of Prayer (Kitchener Region): 519-742-3248 or [Csgosselin17@gmail.com](mailto:Csgosselin17@gmail.com).

### OLO LOURDES BUS TRIP TO MONTREAL

Our Lady of Lourdes Church is organizing a bus trip to Montreal, July 7-9. Spend two nights at a downtown hotel, located within walking distance of Ste. Catherine Street. A guided city tour is included during our stay. For information, send an email to Patrycja at [lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com](mailto:lourdeswaterloo@rogers.com).