



Mass Intentions February 22 – 28, 2021

Prayer Calendar

St. Anne

St. Joseph

Diocese of Hamilton

Monday 8:00 am	No Mass	Int. of Elouisa Cainoy - Cainoy Family	Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I.
Tuesday 7:00 pm	+ Ed & Demerise Lafleur - Kevin and Jo Ann Schmalz	+ Kathleen Clementi - Tony Finoro	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Wednesday 8:00 am	Int. of Bernie & Nan Farwell - Friends	No Mass	Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (S.J.C.)
Thursday 8:00 am	Parish Family - Patricia Fermi	+ Dec'd members of the Kohanosky Family	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Friday 8:00 am	+ Jeanne Held - The Estate	+ Nicholas - Maria & Joseph Samson	Rev. Romelito Guillen.
Saturday St. Anne 4 pm St. Joseph 5 pm	+ Mark Fedy - Shannon Hayek & Family	+ Souls in Purgatory - Julia Domingues	Rev. Grayson Hope
Sunday St. Anne 9:30 pm St. Joseph 11 am	Parishioners of St Anne + Jeanne Held – The Estate	Parishioners of St. Joseph + Paulina & Luis Da Rosa - Antonia & Antonio Arruda + Orlanda Amorim - Carlos & Children	

10: 00 AM SUNDAY LIVE-STREAMED MASS

Live-streamed this week from St. Joseph, next week St. Anne.

Church Offering Report: once a month. Offertory envelopes can be dropped off in the parish mailbox.

Pre-Authorized Giving: *next withdrawal – March 15th*
More information about our Pre-authorized Giving Plan is available on our websites. Please call the office to pick up your **Church envelopes**.

2020 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

This year because of the pandemic income tax receipts were mailed.

PREPARATION AND REGISTRATION FOR SACRAMENTS

First Communion Next Online Session: February 28, 6:30 pm
OR Wednesday, March 3, 6:30 pm.

Confirmation Registration forms are now due: they are available on each parish website. Next Online Session Feb. 21st OR 24th

This Week's Liturgical Readings

February 21, 2021 – First Sunday of Lent

- 1) Genesis 9:8-15
- 2) 1 Peter 3:18-22
- 3) Mark 1:12-15

LITURGY OF THE WORD

In the first reading, God establishes a covenant with Noah and his sons, promising never to flood the earth again. In the second reading, Peter writes to his community about those *in the days of Noah who were saved through water. This prefigured baptism*, which is what save them now. In the Gospel, Jesus is tempted by Satan in the desert. He then goes to Galilee to begin his public ministry.

OUR CHURCHES HAVE RE-OPENED

With the welcome announcement of Premier Ford on Friday moving the Province from lockdown to the colour-coded system, Waterloo Region enters the "red zone" on Feb. 16. The Diocese now permits us to gather once again for Mass, weddings and funerals but we are restricted to 30% capacity, as we were before Christmas. All previous rules and restrictions remain in place, such as mandatory mask wearing, maintaining social distancing, hand-sanitizing and disinfecting.

OUR PARISHES HAVE RE-OPENED

Parish in-person meetings should be held only when alternative arrangements cannot be made.

Parish offices are open by appointment only and with very limited public access, following strict guidelines.

ONLINE FAITH FORMATION FOR LENT

1. CCCB PASTORAL OFFICES have prepared a video series called Journey through Lent: Video Series for Lent 2021. Bishop Gerard Bergie, Bishop of St. Catharines, and Archbishop Marcel Dampousse, Archbishop of Ottawa-Cornwall, will offer reflections on the Sunday readings which are available each Monday prior to the Sundays of Lent. The links for the series in English and in French are available on the CCCB website. It is a safe way to reflect during the Lenten journey this year.

2. FATHER SCOTT LEWIS, S.J., Jesuit Scripture Scholar, will present a series on New Interpretations of the Holy Week Stories, in light of recent theological trends and issues. Topics such as How to Read the Bible, difficult passages, violence, and the meaning of the Resurrection will be explored. When: Tuesday nights at 7:00 pm, Feb. 23rd, March 2nd, and March 9th. Call the parish to register. Another good Lenten exercise!

DIOCESAN OFFICE FOR FAMILY MINISTRY

...is offering sessions on "Diving Deeper into *Fratelli Tutti*" (Pope Francis' most recent Encyclical). The sessions are offered twice on the Mondays of March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th at 1:30 to 3:00 pm and 7:00 to 8:30 pm. The sessions will look into the writings of the Pope and his statements conveying how we are created to be relational, to be in communion with God and one another. For more information check the Diocesan website: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

ONE HEART, ONE SOUL CAMPAIGN BEGINS MARCH 6-7 (changed from Feb. 21!)

The start of our CAMPAIGN has been pushed back 2 weeks. We will begin with the official "kick-off" the weekend of March 6-7. We are part of the third and final wave, together with a very largest number of parishes. During the coming weeks you will hear more about it and have a chance to participate in it. This successful campaign has not only raised millions of dollars for long-awaited parish projects, but has also stimulated parish life in those parishes of the Diocese that have completed the campaign – even during COVID-19. Our Parish teams have been prepared. Soon they will be making

their phone calls to parishioners. Please be open and welcoming to them. The generosity of our parishioners is well-known, and it is heart-warming! God's blessings upon on all us as together we build up our Parish.

Are you ready for kickoff?

If you want to learn more about our parish projects and view the beautiful campaign video, you can go to the diocesan website: or to get a sneak peek at the video, go to oneheartonesoul.ca/watch. Soon these videos and Fr. Brian's message, introducing the campaign, will be on our website.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Two kinds of love were on display this month – one on Valentine's Day celebrating romantic love and one on Feb. 17th, Ash Wednesday, celebrating the infinite love of a merciful God. When we recognize the depth of God's love, so powerful that nothing can separate us from it, we feel secure that God is always with us. Both these loves are important and this is a great month to help children understand that God is responsible for both. Talk to them about how He created us to want to be in relationships, care about others and love important people in our lives. Help them to understand that the six weeks of Lent ends with the celebration Easter. Easter, the day we rejoice over Christ's resurrection and through his love, our ability to spend eternity in Heaven.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

In February we celebrate Valentine's Day, a day created to celebrate love and a great month to think back to the days of dating we experienced with our spouses! Days when we flirted, complimented, spent endless hours talking, hated to be apart and planned and went on dates! Now compare it to your time together today – have you given up all or most of these actions? Marriages that continue to have relationships that reflect their dating days feel connected, vitalized and loved. Why not consider making February a month of renewal for your marriage? Purposely create a relationship with your spouse where you give them your time and attention by making them your number one priority and ignite that same spark of love you felt in those early days of dating.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE

Development and Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library and Archives at the Diocese of Hamilton are co-sponsoring a Reel Justice Film Festival, online screening. To join the film, R.S.V.P. at <https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/contact-us/> in advance.

Feb. 25, 7 pm – *The True Cost* - fast fashion industry

Mar. 25, 6:30 pm – *To The Arctic* – climate change

Apr. 22, 7 pm – *Life On Our Planet* – celebrate Earth Day

May 27, 7 pm – *End Of Immigration* – temporary foreign workers

June 24, 7 pm – *Get In The Way* - Political action and civil rights