



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 21-22, 2023

Mass Intentions for October 23-29, 2023

Prayer Calendar

	St. Anne	St. Joseph	Diocese of Hamilton
Monday	No Mass	<u>8:00 am</u> Int of Dustin & MaryLou – family Int of Mary Rose and her family - family	Rev. Michael Anderson
Tuesday	<u>7:00 pm followed by Adoration</u> Int of Patricia Sauvé – Yvonne & family	<u>7:00 pm followed by Adoration</u> † Maria Odete Tinoco – friends of St Joseph Place	Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.
Wednesday	<u>8:00 am</u> Int of those living with cancer - friend	No Mass	Consecrated Virgins
Thursday	<u>8:00 am</u> † Ernie & Mary McGlyn – Hayek family	<u>8:00 am</u> † Holy Souls in Purgatory – Fernanda Lameira	Rev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.
Friday	<u>8:00 am</u> Int of Yvonne McGrath - Yvonne	<u>8:00 am</u> Int of Norina Morris – Tony Finoro	Fr. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.
Saturday	<u>4:00 pm</u> Int of Mestyan family - family	<u>5:00 pm</u> † Andrew & Mary Kossuth – Frank Kossuth † Teresa Viveiros - family † Neil & Anne McCrea – John McCrea † Rosemary Verzuu – John McCrea † deceased members of the Izma family – John McCrea	Rev. Ilija Petkovic
Sunday	<u>9:30 am</u> † Lorraine Rapacki – Weiler family	<u>11:00 am</u> † Orlanda Amorim - husband † Ildebrando Silveira – Maria Silveira † George & Dorothy Pore – A & A Arruda	

This Week's Liturgical Readings

PARISH INFORMATION

Confession: 6:30pm on Tuesdays before Mass & during Adoration.

Adoration: 7:30pm on Tuesdays after Mass.

Church Offering Report: once a month, in bulletin. 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 – November 15th

DIOCESAN VOCATION CORNER

"Give ... to God the things that are God's." That includes you! Is God calling you to service 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 Website: hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

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- 1) Isaiah 45:1, 4-6
- 2) 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b
- 3) Matthew 22:15-21

FOCUS: Let us build communities of peace and justice.

Christ came to restore our relationship with God and one another: *There is no God besides [Him]*. Christians cannot be content to lead prayerful lives in private. We have a right and a responsibility to build communities of peace and justice in our homes and nations.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Isaiah reveals to King Cyrus of Persia that the Lord has called him by name so all may know there is no other God. Paul gives thanks for the Thessalonians' work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope. Jesus tells the Pharisees they should repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.

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ST ANNE & ST JOSEPH: SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Families with children who are planning on receiving Sacraments are reminded of the following dates.

First Eucharist (Grade 2 and up): Reconciliation Session

- Sunday November 5, 6 pm at St Joseph
- Wednesday November 8, 6 pm at St Anne

Confirmation (Grade 7 and up): Information Session

- Sunday October 29, 7 pm at St Joseph
- Wednesday November 1, 7 pm at St Anne.



Please remember that registration for Reconciliation and First Communion is due on **Wednesday, October 25**. Please register at: bit.ly/FHC2024.

ST JOSEPH: COFFEE SUNDAY



We look forward to sharing time (and coffee) with our Church community on November 5 in the Church hall after Mass. Everyone is welcome.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN ISRAEL AND GAZA

LORD, WE ENTRUST THE HOLY LAND INTO YOUR HANDS AND SEEK YOUR INTERVENTION IN THE MIDST OF THIS CONFLICT.
TURN YOUR MERCIFUL GAZE UPON THE INNOCENT VICTIMS OF WAR.
GRANT REPOSE TO THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAVE LOST THEIR LIVES, HEAL THE INJURED AND COMFORT THE AFFLICTED.
AMEN.



Let us all pray for peace, for the families who have lost loved ones, and for all lives to be saved on all sides.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: THIS WEEKEND

World mission Sunday is a day set aside for the Catholic Church throughout the world to publicly renew its commitment to the missionary movement. The distribution of the proceeds of this collection is overseen by the Pontifical Mission Societies, the money being used for the missionary work of the Church in the neediest areas of the world. Thank you for your generous support.

ST ANNE & ST JOSEPH – Pre-Authorized Giving

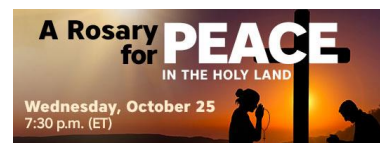
Pre-Authorized Giving Due forms are due by **October 31**. The forms have been mailed out to our parishioners. We THANK everyone who is a part of our Automatic Debit. Anyone still interested in joining can do so. Brochures are available at the entrances of the Church with information. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to your parish intentionally and faithfully through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: INVITATION

Virtual meeting on **Tuesday, October 24**, 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Come and learn about this year's Fall Action campaign **Stand for the Land**. Since January 2023, three land defenders from the Guapinol region in Honduras have been murdered for defending their land from mining companies, adding to the 135 land defenders murdered since 2014. Visit www.devp.org to register for this ZOOM event.

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE: ROSARY FOR PEACE

Please join our national multilingual **Rosary for Peace in the Holy Land** (at 7:30 p.m. ET on **Wednesday, October 25**. You are also



invited to make a donation to help the people of Palestine. Our local partners are there to provide emergency aid, essential goods, food, shelter, healthcare and psychosocial support to the besieged people, but they need all the help they can get. Thank you for your generosity, solidarity, compassion and prayers. Visit www.devp.org for more information.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: PRAY TO END ABORTION

From now to November 5, we invite you to join to get involved in Prayer & Fasting for an end to abortion, as well as attending a Peaceful Vigil outside of Freeport Hospital, for an allocated hour between 7:00 am-7:00 pm, seven days a week. You can either sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by emailing Ewelina at 40DaysKW@gmail.com. Thank you and God bless.



FROM THE DIOCESE: GRIEF SUPPORT IN WATERLOO

Has someone you cared about died? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. There is a six-week program beginning **October 25**, that will cover the theory behind grief, with time to share and socialize. There is also an informal monthly grief support group, which meets on the 2nd Wednesday of every month, which started October 11. Find out more at St Michael church, email: parish@stmichaelw.ca or call 519-884-9311 or see the bulletin boards at the Church entrances.

ST AGATHA: CONCERT

Heart Cry Ensemble is a local seventeen voice ensemble that seeks to preserve sacred choral music and encourage other believers. They will be sharing their program, "And Send Thee Help: Themes from Psalm 20", at **St. Agatha Parish** (1839 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha, ON) at 3:00 pm on **Sunday, November 5**. Free Admission. Everyone welcome!

OCTOBER IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY ROSARY

It only takes about 20 minutes to pray the rosary. This powerful prayer allows you to meditate on Scripture and the key moments during Jesus' life. We use the rosary to pray to God through the intercession of Mary. The Rosary group at St Anne's Church meets every Tuesday to pray the Rosary, at 1:00 pm. All are invited to come and pray the Rosary in the Church.

FROM BISHOP CROSBY

The long-anticipated synod on synodality is underway in the Paul VI Audience Hall in Rome. The Holy Father, Pope Francis, invites us all to pray for those participating in the Synod that they may be attentive to the promptings of the Holy Spirit at every moment. With the participants, we pray the ADSUMUS prayer daily for God's blessing on the event. Prayer cards are in the front of the Catholic Book of Worship.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen

CHRISTMAS BAZAARS

**** St Francis of Assisi Parish** Christmas Bazaar is back! Join us on **Saturday November 11** from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm, and enjoy some baking, pies, crafts, raffles, treasures, and famous Hungarian Crepes! The Church is located at 49 Blueridge Ave. Kitchener. We hope to see you there!

****St. Joseph's Listowel CWL** is hosting their Annual Christmas Bazaar on **Saturday November 18** from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm at the Parish Centre. Free Admission. Bake Sale, Lunch, Evergreen Arrangements, & Grocery Hamper Draw. Everyone Welcome! The Parish Centre is located at 1025 Wallace Avenue North, Listowel.

ST ANTHONY DANIEL: SEMINAR

St. Anthony's will be offering a "Flame of Love" Seminar in the parish beginning **November 8** and running 4 consecutive weeks. During these difficult times, especially for families, Our Lady promises that: "By my Flame of Love, a new era of grace, never before known on the earth will begin." (Flame of Love Diary 1962). 7 – 8:30 pm. There is a cost of \$10 to cover course materials. Everyone is welcome! Please see bulletin boards for more information or email: flameoflove29@gmail.com.

ST AGNES: EDUCATION CAFE

The experience of suffering may have us wrestling with common questions: Why would God allow suffering? Does He hear my plea for help? Once again, these "storms" in life invite us into that place of "trust" where sometimes God allows a suffering to bring about a good that we cannot see. Attend the next St. Agnes Education Cafe event: **"The Struggle to Find Meaning in Suffering"** with speaker Fr. Chris Tracey, Chaplain of Hospitals, Prisons, & Palliative Centres in the Diocese of Hamilton. **Sunday November 12**, 2:00 pm at St. Agnes, Waterloo, 75 Bluevale Street North.

FROM THE DIOCESE: SYNOD RESOURCES

The Diocese of Hamilton is pleased to offer a variety of resources to inform our various communities of the work of the 16th Ordinary Assembly of the Synod of Bishops taking place in Rome during the month of October. The Office for Evangelization & Catechesis has produced a series of short, informative videos on a series of topics/themes that have been highlighted in the Instrumentum Laboris, rooting the work of the Assembly of Bishops. Each video is less than 4 minutes & features a variety of voices including our very own Bishop Crosby, expert theologians, religious, young people, educators & the laity. Each video comes alongside questions for reflection and consideration. All the full-length videos can be found here:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod-21-24/diocesan-resources/>. Trailer length summaries for each of the videos can be found for download here: <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/ssdlswn0fr63bgtk391er/h?rlkey=78buyyz1bl5nnkdq0p74azw06&dl=0>.

ST ANNE: CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

We are looking for volunteers to help lead our Children's Liturgy of the Word. During Mass, children from JK-grade 2 are invited downstairs to hear & discuss scripture, pray, & share their faith. We need teens & adults who can help our little ones as they experience the Liturgy. A guide is provided each week, & leaders will be scheduled approximately once per month. If you are interested in this ministry, please speak with Mary Forcier or Father Brian.

FROM THE DIOCESE: FAMILY MINISTRY OFFICE

October is the month we celebrate Thanksgiving, a time to reflect on all God has blessed us with in our world. The harvest is evident at this time of year; remind your children of the intricate way God created the world so humans could live. Remind them that they are part of his creative plan, & their gifts & talents are like food allowing the world to thrive. Remind them that God ensured they would have faith & family to support them throughout their lives. There is so much to be thankful for, & an attitude of gratitude can provide a positive impact on our emotional & mental health, so help your children give thanks for all they have been given! (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

FROM THE DIOCESE: ANNULMENT PROCESS INFO

On **Thursday, November 23** at 7:00 pm, at St Michael Parish in Waterloo, the diocese will present an overview of the Annulment process. This session, presented by Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, the Administrative Officer & Auditor of the Marriage Tribunal of Hamilton Diocese, will be of interest to parishioners who are separated/divorced & have not yet initiated the annulment process. There are many myths out there preventing people from pursuing an annulment. We are hoping that this session will allow for the facts to be heard, the myths to be dispelled & for the many questions to be answered. This session may also be of interest to those wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith. To reserve your spot, please register at parish@stmichaelw.ca.

RCIA PROGRAM

If you or someone you know wishes to become a Catholic or to explore the Catholic faith and possibly join the Church, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the program for you. Please call the Office for more information.