

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 8, 2018

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Mass Intentions this week



April 10 – 15, 2018

Please Note: Weekday Masses are Celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.

Tuesday 6:30 pm †Deceased Members of the Pietrobon family

Wednesday 9:15 am (at St. Basil School)

Thursday 9:15 am (at St. Gabriel School)

Friday 12:noon †Giacinto DiDomenico

Saturday 10:00 am †Teresa Walsh (funeral)

Saturday 5:00 pm †Anna Maria Janos, Cathy Grimwood, and Fernando Dicresce and deceased family



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of: Mark Spencer and repose of his soul. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, April 9	Rev. Aleksander Mazur, S.A.C.
Tuesday, April 10	Rev. George Stortz
Wednesday, April 11	Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate (S.O.L.I.)
Thursday, April 12	Rev. Rafal Tomon
Friday, April 13	Rev. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R.
Saturday, April 14	Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.

OFFERTORY: Thank you!

Easter Sunday Envelopes	\$5,545.00
Loose Collections:	\$1,594.00
Average Weekly Preauthorized	\$ 485.00
Total Weekly Offering April 1	\$7,624.00
Budget expenses for the week	\$4,265.00

For the Church in the Holy Land \$2,430.65

Second Sunday of Easter

Easter! Resurrection and new life; a new life shared from an earthen tomb. This has been the meaning of life for Christian people for two thousand years. There is nothing more secure, nothing more lasting. Come and share the thrill of proclaiming this truth through your life as a priest, religious or deacon. Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director,

Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 x 2246. E-mail: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

MEDITATION

One cold, grey Argentine morning, amidst rubbish piles, a small, scruffy child bent over a small fire trying to mend the strap on one of his plastic sandals. This is only one of a thousand mental images I have, will always have, of the poverty and brokenness in our world today. Aren't we called to something better?

Thomas felt the mercy and forgiveness of Jesus whom he had followed so eagerly but doubted so quickly. We all need the comfort of knowing we can be forgiven over and over again when we fail to take to heart "his commandments" which we know deep in our hearts "are not burdensome."

Yet still we doubt. We vainly try to tightly hold on to what earthly riches we have, knowing full well that material possessions will not bring us closer to our ultimate goal. Simple lessons like the more we give, the more we will receive just do not seem to stick and need to be re-learned over and over again.

The early Christian community recognized the path. "There was not a needy person among them," because they shared their wealth. "It was distributed to each as any had need."

The risen Jesus entered the locked room and said, "Peace be with you." Can we hear his voice today? "This is the victory that conquers the world, our faith."

Michael Dougherty, Whitehorse, Yt
Novalis, Living with Christ

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Retreat day is Saturday May 5th – 2 – 4:45 p.m.

We continue to pray for you as you prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit on *Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 7:00 pm.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

RETREAT:

Your child's First Communion prayer and practice will be *Saturday, April 21 or Saturday April 28th*, from 9:30 am to 11:00 a.m., in the Church.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be:

- The weekend of: April 21, 22, 2018 OR
- The weekend of April 28, 29, 2018 at all weekend Masses.

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARIES:

Archbishop James MacDonald will be with us next weekend (*April 14-15th*.) He is celebrating three special events:

- 40 years as a Bishop (April 17th)
- 65 years as a priest (June 28th)
- His birthday (April 28th) – no number given, but you can do the math!

Please sign the large card after Mass (main entrance of Church.)

You are also *invited to Coffee Sunday (with cake!)* following the 9:30 am Mass on **Sunday, April 15th**. Thank you.

C.W.L. NEWS

CWL LUNCHEON, Sunday April 22: We are trying something new, one luncheon for all councils in the Brant region. St. Mary's council will be hosting this year. Mass at 11 am followed by the luncheon in their hall at 12:30 pm. Guest speaker Anne Jamieson, Director of Catechesis for the Hamilton Diocese, will speak on the Recipe for Faith. All women are invited to attend. Tickets are \$20 and available by phoning 519-752-1331 and after all Masses on April 7 & 8th.

C.W.L. Membership 2018 reminder – The Catholic Women's League is still accepting new Memberships and renewals for 2018.

Please use a plain envelope labelled C.W.L., include your name, phone no., home and e-mail addresses, \$21.00 cash or cheque made out to St. Basil C.W.L. Put envelope in Sunday's collection basket (or drop off at the Rectory) Thank you.

Knights of Columbus

St Basil Council #13442

Meeting Tuesday April 10, 2018
in the Rectory at 7:00 PM after

Mass at 6:30 PM

Guest Speaker- Joyce Young
Grand Knight, Bill Kane
Tel # 519-756-2111

E-mail: william.r.kane@gmail.com

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2018? You are cordially invited to the Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 10, 2018** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. Please refer to the poster in the church for more info or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Formed in Faith

Are you a grandparent or senior looking to know more about your faith and wondering about how best to share it with others? Join David Dayler and Dr. Anne Jamieson in April at one of two locations for: Formed in Faith: Practical-Prayerful-Ready for Sharing. This 3 week course for seniors and grandparents will explore strengthening the foundation for sharing our faith. Choose Mondays (*April 16, 23, 30th*) in Kitchener – St. Anthony Daniel Parish – or Tuesdays (*April 17, 24, May 1st*) in Ancaster – St. Ann Parish. 1:30 – 3:30 pm. Cost: \$25 includes resources. For more information or to register, contact Monica at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

The Saint John's Bible Reception

Sing for Joy! A concert of music inspired by the illuminations of The Saint John's Bible takes place on Sunday, April 29 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. Music will be performed by the Diocesan Choir, the combined choirs of the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate and the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, and the Grand Philharmonic Choir. A highlight of the evening will be excerpts from Bernstein's Chichester Psalms. All are welcome!

Parenting Tip

Our children are treasures and bring us much joy! They are however, from a very young age, in need of our leadership to help them grow into competent and capable adults. When a child is two their behaviors and temper tantrums may seem funny and even cute, but by four those behaviors are no longer funny, by ten they are causing family tensions and by the teenage years may make it very difficult to parent. Praise your children, spend time with your children and model good behaviors, but remember to teach them self-control, manners and good behaviors from a very early age, which will make all the other parenting years less stressful.

AMORIS LAETITIA: "The Joy of Love"

An overview of the document will be explored by the Diocesan Family Ministry Office in each Deanery of the Diocese. We invite, ask and encourage people to attend. People can register for any one of the presentation registering with Lena at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or on line by clicking on Upcoming Events at www.hamiltondiocese.com

The events will take place from 7-9 p.m. at the following location:

April 24 (Tuesday) – St. Pius X Parish, 9 Waverly Street, Brantford.