

St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Administered by the Congregation of the Resurrection: www.resurrectionists.ca

Lord's Day Masses – with distancing

Saturday at 5:00 pm

Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekday Masses – with distancing

Tuesday – Friday at 9:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 – 4:30 pm

or by appointment.

Sunday Children's Liturgy

No Children's Liturgy at this time

Prayer Network

Call parish office to request prayers

Funerals

Please call the parish office.

Baptism

Please call the parish office.

Marriages

Please call the parish office.

Pastor:

Fr. Murray McDermott, C.R.
(mmcdermott@hamiltondiocese.com)

Wikariusz:

Fr. Stanislaw Zaryczny, C.R.
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住宿:

Fr. Raphael Ma, C.R.
(rma@hamiltondiocese.com)

Pastoral Minister:

Miss Ruthann Fisher
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Music Ministry:

Mrs. Terrienne Moulton

Admin. Assistant:

Ms. Alice Soeder

Building Manager:

Mr. Gary Howell

Parish Office

Open by Appointment Monday – Friday

8:30 am – noon & 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Vocations Information:

[Hamilton Diocese](#)

[Congregation of the Resurrection](#)



*"We are a Christ-centred faith
community seeking to be
instruments of God's peace."*

October 31st, 2021
31st SUNDAY in
ORDINARY TIME

**"Whoever loves me will keep my word,
and my Father will love him, and we will come to him."**

~ John 14: 23



MASS INTENTIONS November 2 - 7, 2021

Tuesday, 2nd	- Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
9:00 am	+George Kramer – Sandy Milne +Maria Sarkany – Joan Ferraccioli
7:00 pm	All Souls Memorial Mass
Wednesday, 3rd	- Weekday
9:00 am	Intentions of Maria Cabral
Thursday, 4th	- Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop
9:00 am	+Donna Renaud – Betty Corrigan & Family
Friday, 5th	- Weekday
9:00 am	+Deceased Members of St. Francis of Assisi Parish – Leonor & Carlos Fonseca
Saturday, 6th	- 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 pm	Intentions of Maria Ferreira & Family Intentions of Erika Strauss & Family – Lucille & Cathy Vanzielegem +Sr. Anne Rektor, SSND – Lillian Hildebrandt +Roger Farwell – Michelle Krulicki +Deceased Members of the Boyle Family – the Family
Sunday, 7th	- 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 am	+Anne Prudnikowicz – Stan Prudnikowicz
11:00 am	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

October 23/24 Collection	\$4,001.40
2021 Total Collection	\$194,908.41
2021 Total Collection BUDGET	\$294,500.00

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday

Overeaters Anonymous (H) 7:30 pm

Tuesday

Virtual Atrium (Zoom) 4:00 & 4:30 pm

All Souls Memorial Mass (C) 7:00 pm

Wednesday

Parish Team Meeting (Office Closed) 10am – noon

Thursday

Virtual Atrium (Zoom) 4:00 & 4:30 pm

Saturday/Sunday

Development & Peace Petition to Sign All Masses

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Nov. 1: **Feast of All Saints**

Tues. Nov. 2: **Commemoration of All Souls**

Wed. Nov. 3: **Deceased Priests of the
Diocese of Hamilton**

Thu. Nov. 4: **Rev. Aurimas Paulius Rudinskas**

Fri. Nov. 5: **Rev. Adam Voisin**

Sat. Nov. 6: **Rev. David Wilhelm**

FR. MURRAY, FR. STAN & FR. RAPHAEL'S HOMILIES ONLINE

Click the picture below for this Sunday's homily.



[You can listen to past homilies by clicking here.](#)

CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS!

Don't forget next weekend Daylight Savings Time ends, so before you go to bed on Sat. Nov. 6 turn your clocks back one hour. If you don't you will be a whole hour early for church, and Father might ask you to preach! ☺





Together, let's act for the planet and its defenders!

Development and Peace's annual **People and Planet First** campaign is inspired by the words of Pope Francis, who says that "a true ecological approach *always* becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear *both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor*" (*Laudato Si'*, 49). These cries are too often silenced by powerful companies that plunder resources in countries of the Global South, without regard for people's fundamental human and environmental rights. Many such companies are Canadian.

Act to end their impunity now! [Sign the petition](#) asking the federal government to enact laws that will compel Canadian companies to conduct due diligence across their overseas operations and that will give the victims of their abuses access to justice in Canadian courts. Visit <https://devp.org/en>

CAMPAIGN @ ST FRANCIS Next weekend we will have a speaker about *People & Planet First* at the end of Mass, and we will have paper copies of the petition for you to sign either before or after Mass. Learn more now on [our St. Francis website by clicking here](#), and you can sign the petition online on that page now.

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL MASS



Please join us this Tuesday November 2nd at 7pm for our annual All Souls Memorial Mass, in memory of our loved ones who have passed away in the last year. Please remember to follow all COVID protocols.

NOVEMBER - BOOK OF LIFE

As we enter the month of November we invite you to write the names of your loved ones who have passed to eternal life into our Book of Life. We will pray especially for all those inscribed in our Book of Life during all Masses in the month of November. If you are attending Mass in person you can write the names in yourself, the book will be just in front of the sanctuary on the Sacred Heart side of the church. Please observe social distancing and use your own pen or the clean pens provided. If you are not yet joining us in person you can email or call the parish office and we will write your names in for you. An online Book of Life will be updated each Monday so all our parishioners at home can also remember all our faithful departed in their prayers.

PICKUP IN THE PARISH OFFICE

Several items are now ready for pickup in the parish office, Monday – Friday from 8:30 am to noon and 1 – 4:30pm. If these times do not work for you please we can make other arrangements. Thank you!

Advent Little Books – For those who ordered them, please bring your \$5 for the full set.

Christmas Cards – For those who ordered them, please bring cash or cheque.

2022 Parish Envelope Boxes – If you do not currently have envelopes and want some please call the parish office and we will get you some. Automatic Givers you also have a small box of special envelopes to pick up.

Please consider switching to **Automatic Giving**, as this saves a lot of paper and time for our volunteers and staff. You can choose to donate weekly or monthly and you can change the amount you donate very easily if your situation changes. For more information call Alice in the parish office.

2021-2022 Missals have arrived! Cost is \$4, they can be purchased before Mass on the weekend or at the office during office hours.

IN SEARCH OF A WOODWORKER

We need to replace the rose arbour in our Peace Garden here at St. Francis, and we are wondering if there are any woodworkers in the parish who would like to build one for us? We would of course cover your expenses. If you are interested please contact the parish office so you can discuss design with our Building Manager Gary. Thank you!

CELEBRATING THE WORD IN ADVENT

We invite you to join us for Small Group sharing using the Celebrating the Word resource produced weekly by the Congregation of the Resurrection. Every week the CR's publish reflections and prayers on the Sunday readings with a guide for how to pray about, discuss and apply the readings to our own lives. [You can see previous editions on their website and subscribe to receive future ones by email by clicking here.](#) Our Advent Small Group will meet every Tuesday evening from **Nov. 23 to Dec. 14 at 7pm. We are open to running this in person or online using zoom**, if you are interested in joining us please contact the parish office and tell us which option you would prefer.

AROUND TOWN

Prayer Vigil Thurs. Nov. 4 from 10 – 11 am (*Note – new time!*) in front of Freeport Hospital, Kitchener, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking - across the road, Schneider Park. Any queries, contact Cathy kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com

Employment Opportunity Breslau Mennonite Church is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant. For details, view the posting at www.breslaumc.ca/job-.posting. To apply email a cover letter, resumé and three references to Mark Epp, Council Chair at: markus.epp61@gmail.com by November 4th.



WE ARE HIRING! The Waterloo Catholic District School Board is currently **accepting applications for Registered Early Childhood Educators and the Class of 2022.**

Please visit our website for job details and application criteria: WCDSB.ca

Heartache to Healing – St. Michael Grief Support Group - Coping with Christmas

Grieving the loss of a loved one at this time of year can be very difficult and we wonder how we are going to cope without our loved one. Join us for a video and discussion of ways to reduce stress while still being able to find joy in each moment trusting that there will be brighter days ahead. **Wed. Dec. 1st - 7pm – Parish Centre (doors open at 6:30pm).** **Registration is required** by phoning or emailing our Parish office (519-884-9311 parish@stmichaelw.ca). All Covid precautionary requirements will be in place. Participants will be required to provide contact information and masks must be worn. Please register to reserve your spot by **Wed. Nov. 17th.** Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend!

VACCINE Information

Anyone born in **2009 or earlier** can be vaccinated for COVID-19.

If you need your first or second dose you can **WALK IN** to any vaccination clinic in the region, or **BOOK AN APPOINTMENT** by calling 519-514-1499 or online at regionofwaterloo.ca

Those with very specific health concerns may be eligible for a **third Booster shot**, [learn more by clicking here](#) and speak with your doctor.

COVID – 19 OCTOBER UPDATE

OPEN FOR MASS with distancing

Although we are not required to be vaccinated to attend Mass, we echo Pope Francis & Bishop Crosby in encouraging everyone who is able to get vaccinated. Please [visit the COVID-19 page on our website for all the current COVID protocols.](#)

TV & ONLINE MASSES

Televised Masses:

Vision TV daily: 8 am, Mon-Fri: 12noon

Joy TV Mon-Fri: 10:30 am, 4 pm, Sun: 10:30 am

Salt & Light Mon-Sat: 6:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am, 3:00 pm, 10:30 pm, Sun: 11 am, 10:30 pm

Faith TV Mon-Sun: 2:30 pm

YES TV Mon-Sat: 1 pm, Sun: 10:30 am