St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Administered by the Congregation of the Resurrection: <u>www.resurrectionists.ca</u>

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)

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(rma@hamiltondiocese.com)

Pastoral Minister: Miss Ruthann Fisher

(rfisher@hamiltondiocese.com)

Music Ministry: Mrs. Terrianne 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."

November 14th, 2021 33rd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

"Be alert at all times, praying that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man."



MASS INTENTIONS November 16 - 21, 2021

Tuesday, 16th - Weekday

9:00 am Intentions of Eileen Fischer – Sandy Milne

Wednesday, 17th
9:00 am +Alice Hinschberger – Marge Hummel

Thursday, 18th - Weekday

9:00 am +Mary Elizabeth Gunn – Anne Pritchard

Friday, 19th - Weekday

9:00 am Intentions of Anne Charters-Klaver – Michelle Krulicki

+Donna Renaud - Helen Shantz

+Sr. Anne Rektor, SSND – Marj Simon +All Souls in Purgatory – Leonor Fonseca

Saturday, 20th - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

5:00 pm + Margaret & Wilfred Coffey - the Family

+André Vanzieleghem – Lucille & Cathy Vanzieleghem +Peter Tam & Teresa Xuyen Nguyen – the Nguyen Family +Josephene & Hipolito Fernandes – Francis & Remy D'Souza

+Deceased Members of Degilio & Bergamin Families - Alvina Bergamin

Sunday, 21st - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

9:00 am +Oliverio Rodrigues – Maria Rodrigues & Family

11:00 am Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

November 6/7 Collection \$4,447.79

2021 Total Collection \$207,140.60

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

Wednesday

Parish Team Meeting (Office Closed) 10am - noon

Thursday

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

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Nov. 15: Rev. Ambroise Tshiaba Ntumba Tues. Nov. 16: Rev. Andrew Quarshie Wed. Nov. 17: Deceased Brothers and Sisters Thu. Nov. 18: Rev. Drago Gacnik, SDB Fri. Nov. 19: Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk Sat. Nov. 20: Rev. James Link, CR

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

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



You can listen to past homilies by clicking here.

NOVEMBER - BOOK OF LIFE

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 them during all Masses in the month of November. You can write names in the book yourself (it is just in front of the sanctuary on the Sacred Heart side of the church) or contact the parish office and we will write them in for you. An online Book of Life will be updated each Monday so all our parishioners at home can also remember our faithful departed in their prayers.



THE POPE'S DREAM

Your bold and honest input is needed.

Our Holy Father has initiated a Synod (Council) to which every member of the Church, the Holy Spirit and the Bishops are invited. Pope Francis wants your bold and honest input about your experience of Church. In walking together, listening to one another and discerning, the Holy Father trusts that the Synodal Process will lead us to proclaim the Gospel in a powerful new way.

As members of St. Francis of Assisi Parish, we are invited into this process. Bishop Crosby wants us to give our input, our observations, our experience, our insights and our concerns. All our input must be submitted by Dec. 15, 2021. There are three ways you can give input:

- Online Group Meetings We are offering three evening online meetings, Nov. 23, 24 and 25 at 7pm, with a possible afternoon meeting if required. These groups would be no more than 15 people each so everyone has time to share, and meetings will run for no more than 90 minutes.
- In Person Group Meetings If people prefer to meet in person rather than on zoom we will arrange this, following all COVID protocols, hopefully also from Nov. 23 25.
- **Diocesan Survey** If you prefer to give input individually you can fill out a survey from the Diocese online, or by calling the parish office for a printed copy. <u>Access the online survey by clicking here.</u>

THE WORKING QUESTIONS FOR THE SYNOD THAT WE WILL DISCUSS ARE: LISTENING

- 1) How is God speaking to me?
- 2) What helps or hinders my listening?
- 3) How does the Church listen to my voice?

SPEAKING OUT/ SHARING

- 1) What helps or hinders me to speak?
- 2) How does the church dialogue and learn from other sectors in society? E.g., Government, other religions, local service agencies.

MOVING FORWARD

1) How can we as people of God work together in communion and participate in the Church's life and mission?

(Feel free to think over your answers ahead of the meeting and bring your preparation notes with you.)

I invite you to watch the introductory video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k9lrQjLo-4Y and learn more on the Diocesan webpage by clicking here.

Please let us know as soon as possible if you are willing to participate and which dates work for you so we can put a plan into action.

Blessings and Best Wishes to all! ~ Fr. Murray C.R.

ADVENT CELEBRATING THE WORD

We invite you to join us for Scripture sharing using the Celebrating the Word resource produced by the Resurrectionists on the Sunday readings. See past editions on their website. We will meet Tuesday evenings from Nov. 23 to Dec. 14 at 7pm, either in person or online. If you are interested in joining us please contact the parish office and tell us which option you would prefer.

2022 Parish Envelope Boxes can now be picked up in the parish office. This is also a great time to consider switching to **Automatic Giving**, as it saves a lot of paper and time for our volunteers and staff. You can donate weekly or monthly and you change the amount very easily if your situation changes. For more information call Alice in the parish office.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR



This weekend we celebrate the 5th World Day of the Poor, and this year's theme is "The poor you always have with you." See the insert for this week's bulletin for more information about how you can mark this important day, and read

Pope Francis' message by clicking here.

THANK YOU to our volunteer cleaners for all your work keeping us safe through the pandemic. Although COVID is still with us our understanding of how it spreads continues to evolve, and the Diocese has indicated we no longer need to disinfect the pews between Masses. Our Building Manager will continue to keep our church clean and disinfected each week, and our volunteer cleaners can have a much deserved rest. Thank you for helping us reopen, and stay open, safely!

DEVELOPMENT & PEACE

You can still sign the petition for Development and Peace this weekend before or after Mass, or online through our website, www.stfranciskw.ca.

AROUND TOWN

Elmira Knights of Columbus Council 8192 is hosting a **TAKE-OUT FISH FRY** on **Fri. Nov. 19.** Pick up of orders will be at the St. Teresa of Avila Parish Hall Entrance, Elmira. Cost is Adults \$20; Children (12 & under) \$10. Orders will be available for pick up from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. When you order your food please indicate when you will pick it up. **Tickets available November 6 - 17**th at the St. Teresa of Avila Parish Office between 9:00 am and 1 pm or call (519) 669-3387. Proceeds support the KofC Charities.

Arise and bear witness: A Young Adult Celebration of Diocesan World Youth Day 2021 Join the young adults of Hamilton Diocese as we gather to celebrate the Diocesan Day of Prayer for Young People on the Feast of Christ the King.

- When: Sunday, November 21, 6pm to 8pm
- Where: St. Margaret Mary Parish 20 Idlewood Ave, Hamilton
- What: Evening Mass with reflection by Msgr. Murray Kroetsch, PH, VG

This is an in-person and virtual event – for more details and registration please go to: https://bit.ly/DOHyoungadults.

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!

St. Mary Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows, Kitchener, Furnace Fundraising Take-out Dinner Sun. November 21st. Enjoy Pork Schnitzel, Braised Red Cabbage, Warm Potato Salad and Green Beans. (Gluten-free and Vegan options also available). The dinner is \$25 each or 4 for \$90. A fresh Apple Crisp Dessert is also available for \$5. Reserve your dinners by November 17th by calling or emailing the parish office, 519-576-3860 or stmarys@rogers.com. Pick up will be from 5 – 6:30 in the Hall. Cash, cheque or e-transfer accepted. All proceeds to upgrade our HVAC system.

VACCINE Information

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

1st Doses –walk in to any vaccination clinic 2nd Doses – make an appointment

3rd Doses – anyone 70 or older, or who received two shots of AstraZeneca or one of J&J, or if you qualify for medical or other specific reasons, can book an **appointment** for a booster shot 6 months after your final vaccination. Learn more here.

Please see the regional website <u>regionofwaterloo.ca</u> for details about booster shots and to book appointments, or call 519-514-1499