

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.
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Wikariusz:

Fr. Stanislaw Zaryczny, C.R.
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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

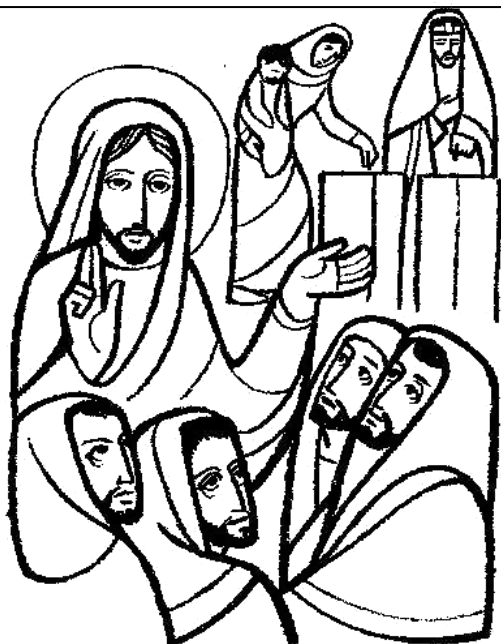
Vocations Information:

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



November 7th, 2021

32nd SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

**"Blessed are the poor in spirit;
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven!"**

~ Matthew 5: 3

MASS INTENTIONS November 9 - 14, 2021

Tuesday, 9th	- <i>Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>
9:00 am	Intentions of Gese Aguiar – Maria Cabral
Wednesday, 10th	- <i>Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church</i>
9:00 am	Intentions of Max & Madeline – Sandy Milne
	+Anne Shoniker – Tom Shoniker & Family
	+Pat Schiebel – the Carmelite Guild
	+Lorne MacDonald – Dorothy MacDonald
	+Deceased Members of the Our Lady of Victory Community - OCDS
Thursday, 11th	- <i>Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>
9:00 am	+Carl & Helen Bender – Bonnie & Chris, Ron & Jane & Grandchildren
Friday, 12th	- <i>Saint Josephat, Bishop & Martyr</i>
9:00 am	+Albert MacDonald – Dorothy MacDonald
Saturday, 13th	- <i>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
5:00 pm	Intentions of Cathy Vanzielegghem – Helen Shantz
	+Edna & Frank Munro – Barb & Donna Munro
	+Kay Warner – Morris Lobsinger & Sherry Pedersen
	+Peter Tam & Teresa Xuyen Nguyen – the Nguyen Family
	+David Joseph – Don & Linda MacDonald & Family
	+Deceased Members of the Longo & O'Grady Families – Eileen & Mary Longo
Sunday, 14th	- <i>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00 am	+David Milne – St. Francis Choir Community
11:00 am	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

October 30/31 Collection	\$7,779.40
2021 Total Collection	\$202,692.81
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

OCDS (ER) 9:30 am

Thursday

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

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Nov. 8: **Rev. Jeffery Oehring**

Tues. Nov. 9: **Rev. Francesco Cucchi**

Wed. Nov. 10: **Deceased Members of our Parish Community**

Thu. Nov. 11: **Rev. Mark Gatto**

Fri. Nov. 12: **Rev. Paul Patrick, OMI**

Sat. Nov. 13: **Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.**

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.



Let's spread the word about putting *People and Planet* first!

Development and Peace's 2021-2022 campaign, ***People and Planet First***, is calling for Canada and Canadian corporations not to be complicit in violations against the planet and its inhabitants. **The easiest way to take action is to [sign the petition](#)** calling on the government to implement a due diligence law that would require its companies to respect human and environmental rights in their overseas operations. This weekend you can sign the petition in person at St. Francis before or after Mass.

If you have already signed and want to continue your commitment, help us spread the word! You can follow the latest campaign news on the Development & Peace [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) pages and even [update your profile](#) to show the campaign colors. If you'd like to delve into the subject deeper, take the time to read the printable [backgrounder](#). And what about sharing [the campaign video](#) with your friends and family? Whatever you choose to do, thank you for helping to spread solidarity! <https://devp.org/en>



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. The Pope's dream is that among the People of God this process will plant

dreams, draw forth prophecy and vision, inspire trust, bind up wounds, weave relationships together, awaken the dawn of hope, learn from one another and create bright resources that will enlighten our minds. It is not about changing teachings or doctrines of the Church.

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 and we will get you a printed copy. [Access the online survey by clicking here.](#)

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.

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.

PICKUP IN THE PARISH OFFICE

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 –Automatic Givers also have 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.

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 - 17th** 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!

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 regionofwaterloo.ca for details about booster shots and to book appointments, or call 519-514-1499