

# St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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Administered by the Congregation of the Resurrection: [www.resurrectionists.ca](http://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:**

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**住宿:**

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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."*



## January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022

# 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**"The Lord sent me to bring good news to the poor,  
to proclaim release to the captives."**

~ Luke 4: 18-19

## MASS INTENTIONS    February 1 - 6, 2022

<b>Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup></b>	- <b>Weekday</b>
9:00 am	Intentions of Elsie Millerd & Family – Sandy Milne +Luann Mahn – Bryan Mahn & Family +Hugh McMahon – Bernard & Rose Hanley
<b>Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	- <b>Presentation of the Lord</b>
NO MASS	Mass is cancelled due to funeral for +Fr. Lech Wycichowski, CR
<b>Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	- <b>Weekday</b>
9:00 am	+Norma Hanley – Bernard & Rose Hanley
<b>Friday, 4<sup>th</sup></b>	- <b>Weekday</b> <b>First Friday</b>
9:00 am	+Donna Renaud – Anne Pritchard
9:30 am	Adoration & Benediction
<b>Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup></b>	- <b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
5:00 pm	Intentions of Maria Ferreira & Family +Katalin Dobo – the Kostyan Family +Maria Kostyan – the Kostyan Family +Catherine Martin – Cecil & Doris Kavanaugh +Sr. Doreen Lackenbauer, SSND – Peter & Terrienne Moulton & Family +Mario & Doris Degilio – Alvina Bergamin +Felixsa Pelc – Grace & Kevin Grundy
<b>Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup></b>	- <b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
9:00 am	Intentions of Gene Furtado – Loretta Fulep
11:00 am	Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

January 22/23 Collection                      \$4,827.40  
**2022 Total Collection                      \$15,168.15**  
 2022 Budget & 2021 Financial Report coming soon.

### TAX RECEIPTS AVAILABLE

2021 Tax Receipts are now ready for pickup, for donations made to St. Francis Parish and our St. Vincent de Paul Conference. They will be available at the entrance of the church this weekend before or after Mass, please respect social distancing. You can also pick them up at the office during the week, or if you need us to mail yours to you please let us know. Any receipts that are not picked up by Feb. 20 will be mailed, thank you for helping us save stamps! If you have any questions about your receipt please contact Alice in the parish office, thank you again for your support!

### LENT LITTLE BOOKS

For those who ordered Little Books, Lent copies are ready for pickup. They will be available with the tax receipts, so look for your last name alphabetically.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

#### **Monday**

Overeaters Anonymous (H)                      7:30 pm

#### **Tuesday**

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

#### **Wednesday**

Parish Team Mtg (Office Closed)                      10am - noon

#### **Thursday**

Virtual Atrium (Zoom)                      4:00 pm

#### **First Friday**

Adoration & Benediction (C)                      9:30 am

#### **Saturday**

Pollinator Garden Webinar (Zoom)                      1:30 pm

### DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Jan. 31: **Rev. Duy Van Nguyen**

Tues. Feb. 1: **Rev. John Van Hees**

Wed. Feb. 2: **Hospitaller Order of  
St. John of God (OH)**

Thu. Feb. 3: **Rev. Hayden Starczala**

Fri. Feb. 4: **Very Rev. James Petrie, EV**

Sat. Feb. 5: **Rev. Gerald Mulhall**

## SPECIAL ONLINE HOMILY

This weekend Fr. Murray is sharing his homily with not only our congregation but also all the churches in the Ecumenical Churches of Forest Hill group. The video below includes Fr. Murray's homily as well as the second reading, psalm and gospel for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time. Click the picture below!



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

**Another Update from our Ecumenical Churches:** Rev. Ellen Baynton-Walker, Assistant Pastor at Forest Hill United Church, has retired as of January 1 of this year. Rev. Gary Clark and the congregation will miss her care and insight.

## ATTENTION Children, Ages 9-12!

Would you be interested in a Bible study about Abraham? Why is he called the father of our faith? What does he have to do with us? We will meet for about 8 weeks on Thursdays at 4:30 pm (~30-45 minutes duration) online in our Virtual Atrium beginning **February 3** and ending before Easter. Contact the Parish Office for more information or to register, [stfranciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stfranciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com).

## YARN FOR PRAYER SHAWLS

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry continues to produce beautiful shawls and blankets to support our parishioners, family and friends in times of need and times of celebration. If you or a loved one could use the comfort and peace of a prayer shawl please contact the parish office and we would be happy to share these blessings with you. Also, if you have any yarn that you are not using, perhaps you bought too much for a project, or perhaps you have a large stockpile that you just aren't going through, please consider donating your excess yarn to this ministry. We would love to put your extra yarn to use in this important outreach ministry! Just contact the parish office to set up a time to drop it off. Thank you!

**LAST CHANCE  
TO REGISTER!**

## GROW A POLLINATOR GARDEN!

Our Laudato Si' Environmental Team invites you to learn how to create your own Pollinator Garden at home! Even if you live in an apartment or have next to no yard, you can be part of providing life-giving food for our bees, butterflies and other local pollinators. Join us for an online teaching from Tom Woodcock, Planning Ecologist at *rare Charitable Research Reserve* on **Saturday February 5 at 1:30 pm** for around 45min. Call or email the parish office to register to receive the Zoom link for the webinar. Tom will make a presentation and then take all your questions so you can start planning your garden!

If you are looking for inspiration check out our parish website to take a virtual tour of our parish's Pollinator Gardens:

[www.stfranciskw.ca](http://www.stfranciskw.ca).



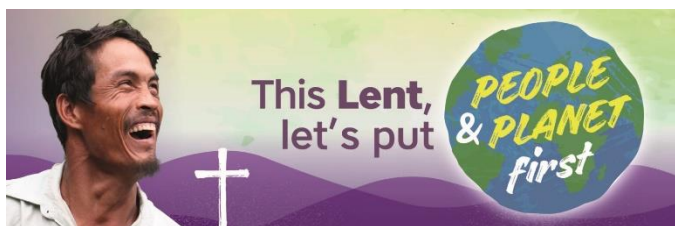
## CREATION CARE TIP

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – January 30, 2022**

*"If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing."*

—1 Corinthians 13:1-3

Sometimes environmentalists can be accused of being downright rigid and judgmental in their manner of living a "green life" and trying to persuade others to do the same. Spend some time this week remembering the reason(s) behind your efforts to tread more lightly on the earth. It's probably because you love and cherish this marvelous, stunning world which God created. Enjoy a film from the Environmental Film Festival in the Nation's Capital (DCEFF) this week, as a reaffirmation of your love for God's creation. <https://dceff.org/watchnow>



## SHARE LENT WORKSHOP

You are invited to this online workshop on **Wed. Feb. 16 from 7-8:30 pm**. Join us for a night of prayer, music, fellowship and fun as we “see-judge-act” our way to a more just world. Celebrate the impact of your solidarity in Madagascar, Honduras and Cambodia and plan for the Share Lent campaign. If this date doesn’t work for you, you can see a full list of the workshops at [www.devp.org/en/events/](http://www.devp.org/en/events/). To register for the Hamilton Diocese workshop [click here](#) or at the link above.

## AROUND TOWN



**WE ARE HIRING!** The Waterloo Catholic District School Board is currently **accepting applications for Occasional Teachers**. Please visit our website for job details and application criteria: [WCDSB.ca](http://WCDSB.ca)

**Prayer Vigil** Thurs. Feb. 3 from 10 – 11am in front of Freeport Hospital 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, please contact Cathy at [kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com](mailto:kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com)

**Waterloo Knights of Columbus, Friday Knight Fish Fry** Take out only, pick up time 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. 1 pc \$15.00, 2 pc \$18.00, call Derek at 226 748 8378 by 4:15 p.m.

**Wednesday Knight**, single order **Spaghetti and Meatball dinner**, complete with an order of garlic bread, \$13.50. Take out only, pick up time 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Call Martin at 519-884-2060 to order, by 3:00 p.m.

**Youth ministry online learning** Spaces are open for new learners in the upcoming cycles of the Youth Ministry Certification program. If you are interested in participating in Vision for Catholic Youth Ministry – A Canadian Perspective, or Relational Ministry with Youth - A Canadian Perspective, email: [nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:nmccowell@hamiltondiocese.com)

## Fog and Light 2021-2022 Lecture Series

### **What the Taliban and QAnon Have in Common: The Global Rise of Religious Nationalism**

Wednesday, February 16, 2:00 P.M. EST | Online  
Presented by Mark Juergensmeyer, professor emeritus, University of California, Santa Barbara, and author. Co-sponsored by St. Jerome’s Lectures in Catholic Experience and Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security and Society (TSAS) at the University of Waterloo. Learn more [here](#).

## **VACCINE Information**

Anyone **Age 5 or older**  
can be vaccinated for COVID-19.

**BOOSTER** doses are now available for  
anyone age 18 or older

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> doses are available throughout the region at Doctor’s Offices, Pharmacies and Public Health Clinics. Please see the regional website [regionofwaterloo.ca](http://regionofwaterloo.ca) for details and to book appointments, or call 519-514-1499