St. Francis of Assisi Parish

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



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.



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Fr. Raphael Ma, C.R. 住宿:

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Miss Ruthann Fisher **Pastoral Minister:**

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Mrs. Terrianne Moulton **Music Ministry:**

Ms. Alice Soeder Admin. Assistant: Mr. Gary Howell **Building Manager:**

Parish Office

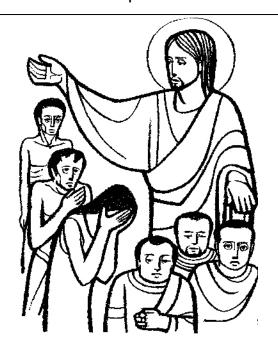
Open by Appointment Monday - Friday 8:30 am - noon & 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Vocations Information:

Hamilton Diocese Congregation of the Resurrection



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



February 13th, 2022 6th Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

"Rejoice and leap for joy; for surely your reward is great in heaven."

MASS INTENTIONS February 15 - 20, 2022

Tuesday, 15th - Weekday

9:00 am Intentions of Linda Ryan & Family – Sandy Milne

+Rosemary Clarke – Kevin Clarke & Family
+Albert MacDonald – the MacDonald Family

+Alex MacKinnon - Margaret Houston

Wednesday, 16th - Weekday

9:00 am Intentions of Randy Hepdich – Eileen Cox & Helen Shantz

Thursday, 17th - Weekday

9:00 am +Gregory Fixter – Leslie & Paul Fixter

Friday, 18th - Weekday

9:00 am +Gaetano Garasto – Angela lanni Saturday, 19th - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 pm Intentions of Tony Mancini – Ruthann Fisher

+Margaret & Wilfred Coffey - the Family

+Lorne MacDonald - Aunt Margie & Dana Marsh

+Victor Hergott – Larry & Herminia Hergott +Debbie Alamenciak – Madeline Haller

+Deceased Members of Longo & O'Grady Families - Eileen & Mary Longo

Sunday, 20th - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am +Angela Ianni – Gary & Marion Howell 11:00 am Parishioners of St. Francis of Assisi

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

February 5/6 Collection \$5,000.75 **2022 Total Collection** \$24,462.50

2022 Budget & 2021 Financial Report coming soon.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday

Overeaters Anonymous (H) 7:30 pm

Tuesday

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

Thursday

Virtual Atrium (Zoom) 4:00 pm

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Feb. 14: **Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic**Tues. Feb. 15: **Rev. Pierre Caouette, LC**Wed. Feb. 16: **Discalced Carmelite Sisters (OCD)**

Thu. Feb. 17: **Rev. Louis DeVaugelas, LC**Fri. Feb. 18: **Rev. Jerek Scherber, LC**Sat. Feb. 19: **Rev. Adam Zettel, LC**

FR. MURRAY & FR. RAPHAEL'S HOMILIES ONLINE

Click picture below to listen to the current homily.



You can listen to past homilies by clicking here.

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.

Seeking greater understanding and desiring deeper solidarity with our Indigenous sisters and brothers.

Lenten Series - They Came for the Children

Wednesdays in Lent: March 9, 16, 22, 30 & April 6

They Came for the Children is a five part video series on the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, including the history of residential schools and the 94 Calls to Action. The documentary was produced by Kevin Moynihan with financial support from the Jesuits, the Sisters of St. Joseph and other groups.



Each Wednesday in Lent we will offer an afternoon Zoom gathering from 1:00 - 2:30pm, as well as an evening in-person gathering (COVID restrictions allowing) from 7:00 - 8:30pm. We encourage you to register now for either online or in person. We have space for 10 more people in the afternoon Zoom sessions and 23 more in the evening in-person sessions.

We invite you to watch the series with us and participate in Sharing Circles to help us unpack it. Guiding us on this journey will be Tammy Webster. Tammy is the daughter of a residential school survivor, a volunteer at the Anishnabeg Outreach Centre here in Kitchener and the K-12 Indigenous Education and Equity Consultant for the Waterloo Catholic District School Board.

<u>Visit our website to learn more about this series</u>, and to register contact the Parish Office at 519-745-7301 or stfranciskitchener@hamiltondiocese.com.

TAX RECEIPTS AVAILABLE

2021 Tax Receipts are now ready for pickup at the entrance of the church or through the parish office, for donations made to St. Francis Parish and our St. Vincent de Paul Conference. 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!

ONE HEART ONE SOUL UPDATE

We have had several inquiries from parishioners about how to make their pledged contributions to our One Heart One Soul Campaign and about tax receipts. If you elected to donate automatically through your credit card the amount which you pledged will automatically be debited from your card on the date you specified, you do not need to do anything. If you elected to donate by cheque you will receive a reminder notice from the diocese of your pledge and how to make your donation. You will receive a tax receipt for all donations to the One Heart One Soul Campaign in the mail from the diocese, it is not included in the receipt you received from the parish. Thank you again for your support.

CELEBRATING THE WORD DURING LENT

We will be offering a small group of Life and Faith Sharing based on the Sunday readings of Lent, using the Celebrating the Word Resource produced weekly by the Congregation of the Resurrection. We will meet in person on Monday at 7pm, beginning on Feb. 28. We have room for three more parishioners! Please contact the parish office to register.



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. If this date doesn't work for you, you can see a full list of the workshops at www.devp.org/en/events/ To register for the Hamilton Diocese workshop click here.

CREATION CARE TIP

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 13, 2022

"Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit." —Jeremiah 17:7-8

Many of us have a real obsession with lawns. Indeed, all the time invested in lawn care and grooming reflects this: laying down sod or seeding, removing weeds, mowing, watering, fertilizing... but do all these efforts produce a harvest? No. We can't eat grass. Here is an idea: replace your lawn with plants that are drought tolerant, native to your locale, and/or will produce food to eat (trees or vegetable gardens). Some municipalities have programs now that offer rebates for those converting their lawns to less-thirsty greenscapes. You will never have to mow again, and depending on what you replace your lawn with, you might never have to water again.

AROUND TOWN

The Witness of Faith in the Home is the second talk in our Hamilton Diocesan Speaker Series - Join us on Wed. Feb. 16th from 7-8:30 p.m. for this wonderful talk by Connie Clark. Connie is the author of numerous books, booklets and articles for parents, catechists, teens and kids. Sharing engaging personal stories, encouragement, and practical ideas, Connie helps families recognize their vital role in the Christian community and in the family of God. She will focus on how parents, grandparents, teachers, aunts, uncles, catechists and everyone can guide families as they grow in faith. The entire series, running once per month until June, will be presented by zoom, so you must register for each talk, but can join in by internet or phone. Check https://amorislaetitia.hamiltondiocese.com/ more information on the series and to register. Contact Teresa Hartnett at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250 or thartnett@hamiltondiocese.com,

The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region invites you to join in on a virtual event – "Tech Meets Parenting: A Balancing Act" on Thursday February 24th from 7:00pm-8:00pm. This family-focused event will explore our relationship with technology. We will discuss the importance of and tactics around being a good role model and setting boundaries at all ages. Space is limited, register: https://www.ccfowr.org/speaker-series

Ioin us February 24, 2022 7:00 - 9:00 PM for "After the Storm: Building the Pope Francis Village", part of the Reel Justice Film Festival! The film documents the transformational journey of 550 families in Tacloban, Philippines following the devastation of Super Typhoon Haiyan in 2013. In the aftermath of this natural disaster, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, supporting organizations, transformed a piece of land into new homes, a new community, and new lives. This documentary is a celebration of the fruits of your solidarity with our brothers and sisters in the Global South. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between Development & Peace and the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives. Visit us online at https://reeljusticefilmfestival.wordpress.com/ view our 2022 schedule or to secure your spot at any of our virtual screenings!

VACCINE Information

Anyone **Age 5 or older**

can be vaccinated for COVID-19. **BOOSTER** doses available for 18 & older

1st, 2nd and 3rd doses are available throughout the region at Doctor's Offices, Pharmacies and Public Health Clinics. Please see the regional website regionofwaterloo.ca for details and to book appointments, or call 519-514-1499