### MASS INTENTIONS

September 30th - October 5th

#### Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> - St. Jerome

9:00 a.m. + Carmen Daniels

-Marj Simon

#### Wednesday 1st - St. Therese of Child Jesus

9:00 a.m. +Eileen Cox

-St. Francis CWL

#### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> – The Holy Guardian Angels

9:00 a.m. Int. Jane Brenner

-Gene Furtado

Int. Marilyn Alston

-Anne Pritchard

## Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> - Ferial

(St. Paul's Opening Mass)

9:30 a.m. +Teresa Janiczak

-Grace, Kevin Grundy & Family

#### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 p.m. +Anne Rose & Emil Rektor

-Karen Rektor

+John & Gracinda Branco

-Andy Cardoso

Maria Ferreira & Family

## Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. +Catherine & Howard Kurt

-Shirley & Gary Bauman

11:00 a.m. For the Parishioners of St. Francis

## **Stewardship Report**

September 20/21		\$4,812.00
2025 Total Collection		\$193,962.72
2025 Total Budget		\$298,900,00

#### **PENITENTIAL RITE in CREE**

Te-pe-ni-ci-ke-van ki-ti-ma-ke-ni-ci-ke (Lord have mercy.) Chris – tos ki-ti-ma-ke-ni-ci-ke have mercy.) (Christ Te-pe-ni-ci-ke-yan ki-ti-ma-ke-ni-ci-ke (Lord have mercy.) Te-pe-ni-ci-ke-yan ki-ti-ma-ke-ni-ci-ke (Lord have mercy.)

## What's Happening this Week?

#### Monday

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Senior Gentle Exercise (H)	2:30 pm
OEA (H)	7:00 pm
Wednesday	
Senior Gentle Exercise (H)	2:30 pm
Friday	
St. Paul School Mass	9:30 am
Saturday	
Blessing of the Animals	11:00 am
Pasta Supper	6:00 pm
Sunday	
Children's Liturgy	@9am Mass

#### **Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

Mon. Sep. 29: **Rev. Ignatius Saiki, OP**Tues. Sep 30: **Rev. Emmanuel Azike, OP**Wed. Oct 1: **Felician Franciscan Sisters, C.S.S.F.** 

Thu. Oct 2: **Rev. Romelito Guillen**Fri. Oct 3: **Rev. Thomas Manninezhath, C.M.I.**Sat. Oct 4: **Rev. Grayson Hope** 

### St. Paul's School Mass this Friday!

This Friday, we welcome the staff and students of St. Paul's school to our Church to celebrate their opening Mass! This means that Mass will start at 9:30 a.m. on this day, and there will be NO First Friday Adoration. All are welcome to join us!

## Christmas Bazaar News Corner

Mark your Calendars: Saturday November 8th, 2025

## **Apples For Pies**

Do you have an apple tree on your property? Not sure what to do with all of the delicious fruit that has grown? Consider donating them to our Parish Bazaar! Our team will use the apples to bake delicious, homemade pies to sell at our annual event. These are always popular items and sell like hotcakes....except they're pies. If you're interested, call the church office and Gary will come and pick/collect them! Thank you for our consideration.

## **Pie Making Bee**

Do you like to bake? We are again holding a 'Pie Making Bee' to get one of our most popular Bazaar items ready! The 'Bee' will take place on **Tuesday, October 14**<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM in the church hall. All you need to bring is your best apple peeler and rolling pin. If you are able to help, please call Linda at 519-742-0656.

#### **Donations for Raffles**

One of the most popular attractions at our Bazaar is the high value raffle prizes! We're looking for donations for this event, in items or gift cards, valued at \$100 dollars! If you're able to contribute, please contact Linda at 519-742-0656. Thank you!

## St. Francis Feast Day Pasta Supper Next Weekend

Our annual pasta supper, in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, will take place on the ACTUAL FEAST DAY: Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. (after Mass). Your last chance to get tickets is after Masses this weekend! The cost is \$20.00 for adults and \$12.00 for children (under 12). We hope to see you there!

## **Blessing of the Animals**

In honour of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we will be offering a blessing of animals on Saturday October 4<sup>th</sup> at 11AM. Please bring your pet to the parking lot near the peace garden, in front of the rectory house for the blessing.

## **ORDER NOW-Little Books Devotionals**

We are very happy to again offer you the Little Books, a set of daily devotional booklets for Advent, Lent and Easter. Due to the rise in costs of shipping, duty and taxes, the cost is \$20.00 per set of three seasons. Please call or email the parish office by **Sept. 30**. \$20 cost will be collected when the Advent Little Books arrive.

#### **October is Dicoesan Vocation Month**

Bishop Crosby has designated October as Diocesan Vocations Month. Each Sunday we will pray for vocations during Mass. You are also asked to pray for vocations throughout the month. If you know someone you think should consider a particular vocation, such as marriage, priesthood, consecrated life (religious life or consecrated virginity lived in the world) or the permanent diaconate, be sure

to tell that person. For more information about praying for vocations, visit: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/zyks2w8z">https://tinyurl.com/zyks2w8z</a>. Mary, Mother of Vocations, pray for us!

### **Resurrectionist Vocation Minute**

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As Resurrectionists, our call emphasizes that both holy attachment and self-gift first come to us from God who is love and eternally self-sacrificing. Only by first receiving the gift of God's love can we rightly attach and properly give of ourselves.

Fr. Eric Wagner, CR; resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com

#### **Around Town**

An Evening of Indigenous Culture - St. Mark's Catholic Women's League invites you to An Inspiring Evening of Indigenous Culture with Elder Wilamina McGrimmond on Tuesday, September 30 at St. Mark's RC Church (55 Driftwood Drive, Kitchener) starting with Mass at 6:30 p.m., followed by our guest speaker at 7:00 p.m. Elder Wilamina McGrimmond is a cherished child of the Creator and a proud member of the Frog Clan, Tl'az'ten Nation, working with the healing strength of the Bear Spirit. Her community leadership has been recognized through prestigious honours, including the Women Who Rock Award and the YWCA Women of the Year Spirit Award. For further information please call Anna Joseph at 519-577-8519.

Mass for Carmelite Nuns – The Committee for the Carmelite Nuns invite you to attend a special Mass celebrated by Rev. Raphael Ma, C.R. at Holy Family Croation Roman Catholic Church on Monday October 2th, 2025 at 5pm, followed by a sit-down dinner in the reception hall. Meal for 2 is a minimum donatin of \$250 (eligible for a full tax receipt) can be mailed to Carmel of St. Joseph: 1127 Carmel-Koch Rd., RR1, St. Agatha, ON or Donate Now: www.thecarmel.ca. Please include names of attendees. RSVP required by October 10<sup>th</sup>. Contact Liz Motz 519-590-4808 with questions.

## 40 Days for Life Campaign



Lives Saved since 2007: **25,695**Abortion Centers Closed: **181**Abortion Workers Quit: **274** 

From September 24th to November 2nd 2025, we invite you to be part of the annual 40 Days for **Life** campaign, a powerful global movement to pray for the end of abortion. Over these 40 Days, you are encouraged to join us in Prayer and Fasting for an end to abortion, as well as attending a Peaceful Vigil outside of Freeport Hospital for an allocated hour between 7am-7pm, seven days per week. Your prayers can make a **difference**. We encourage volunteers to consider Adopting-an-Hour a week, which is only 6 hours over the span of the campaign, and this would greatly help the campaign. It is vital to spread the message that human life is sacred, to provide hope to those in need, and have laws that protect innocent babies.

You can sign up for vigil hours online at <a href="www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener">www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener</a> or by emailing <a href="mailto:40DaysKW@gmail.com">40DaysKW@gmail.com</a> or texting/calling 519-970-0822. We are most grateful for your support and prayers! Let's save lives together!

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#### **Lord's Day Masses**

Saturday at 5:00 pm Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

#### **Weekday Masses**

Tuesday - Friday at 9:00 am

#### **Kerala Roman Catholic Mass**

Celebrated by Fr. Stephen Gilbert Sunday at 5:30 p.m.

#### Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 – 4:30 pm or by appointment.

#### **Prayer Network**

Call parish office to request prayers

## Funerals, Baptisms, Marriages

Please call the parish office.

#### **Vocations Information:**

<u>Hamilton Diocese</u> <u>Congregation of the</u> <u>Resurrection</u> **Pastor:** Fr. Paul Voisin, C.R.

(pvoisin @hamiltondiocese.com)

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

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Philip Fernandez

(pfernandez@hamiltondiocese.com)

Pastoral Minister: Lei Ann Wade

(lawade@hamiltondiocese.com)

Music Ministry:Mrs. Terrianne MoultonAdmin. Assistant:Ms. Amanda SageBuilding Manager:Mr. Lazaro Escobar

Asst. Building Mgr.: Mr. Gary Howell

#### **Parish Office**

Monday – Friday 8:30 am – noon & 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm



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

## September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2025 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Though Jesus Christ was rich, yet he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich".

2 Corinthians 8:9

