

**MASS INTENTIONS****February 3<sup>rd</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>****Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Ferial**

9:00 a.m. +John Fischer  
-Sandy Milne

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> – St. Thomas Aquinas**

9:00 a.m. +Angela Chow  
-Anne Pritchard

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> – St. Agatha**

9:00 a.m. Int. Maria Cabral  
-The Rocha Family  
+Tony Yurkin  
-Nancy Yurkin

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> – St. Paul Miki & Companions**

(First Friday)  
9:00 a.m. +Ildebrando Silveira  
-Maria Silveira

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m. Int. Maria Ferreira & Family  
+Michael Hearn  
-Mary Liz Hearn  
+Leo Duchesne  
-Victor & Collette Thibeault  
+Ellen Dietrich  
-Ruthann Fisher

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 a.m. +Claire McMahon  
-Bernard & Rose Hanley

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

**Stewardship Report**

January 24/25	\$3,591.75
2026 Total Collection	\$19,577.40

**What's Happening this Week?****Monday**

Senior Gentle Exercise (H)	2:30 pm
OEA (H)	7:00 pm

**Wednesday**

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**Thursday**

Christian Life Program (H)	6:00 pm
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**Friday**

Adoration	9:30 am
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**Sunday**

Children's Liturgy	@9am Mass
Reconciliation Mtg.	1:00 pm

**Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

Mon. Feb 2: **The Presentation of the Lord**  
(*World Day for Consecrated Life*)

Tues. Feb 3: **Rev. Allen Varlaki**  
Wed. Feb 4: **Missionaries**  
Thu. Feb 5: **Rev. Charles Jordan**  
Fri. Feb 6: **Rev. Ken Miskiewicz**  
Sat. Feb 7: **Rev. Florian Stasinski, C.R.**

**Lost and Found**

There are many items currently in our lost and found at the main entrance of the church. Please take some time after Mass this weekend to look through the items on the table to see if any belong to you. Remaining items after this weekend will be donated.

**First Reconciliation Meeting**

Next Sunday, February 8th, is the first meeting for those children preparing to receive their First Holy Communion this year. The start time is 1:00 PM and is just for students. If you have any questions, please contact Lei Ann at the parish office: 519-745-7301.

**2025 Tax Receipts**

Your 2025 Donation Tax Receipts are still available at the entrance of the church, or in the parish office during the week.

**NOTE:** In January 2025, the Canadian Government had charities issue donation tax receipts for the first two months of 2025, to accommodate the Canada Post strike. If you did NOT pick yours up at the beginning of the year, you'll have two receipts for pick-up. One is for the first two months of 2025, and the other is for the remaining months. Please ensure you grab both. Thank you for your generous support this year.

**Christian Life Program**

Sponsored by Couples For Christ and their Family Ministries.

The Christian Life program continues this Thursday, here at St. Francis Church Hall, open to all Christian married couples, singles, widows, widowers and those who are separated or divorced. Be enriched by such talks as: God's Love (presented by Fr. Paul Voisin, C.R.), Who is Jesus Christ, Transformation in Christ and more! Dinner 6 pm-- Program 7 pm to 9 pm. Child care provided for children 12 years and under. THERE IS NO FEE. If you have any questions, please contact: Ave/ Maricar Bagnes at 226 978 9933 or 416 564 2239 or Len/Marie Solomon 519 744 5198.

**Mardi Gras Pancake Supper  
Tickets on Sale NEXT Weekend**

We will be going ahead with the pancake supper this year, however will only have a limited number of tickets available for purchase. They will be on sale after Masses starting **NEXT WEEKEND**, however you may call the office throughout the week to reserve some if interested. The event is scheduled to take place on Tuesday February 17th beginning at 5:30PM, and tickets will be \$12.00 per person. If you're able to volunteer and assist, please contact the Parish Office 519-745-7301. Thank you ☺

**Valentine's Day Collection**

Starting this weekend, our children's liturgy ministry will be collecting items to donate to Forest Heights Retirement/Long Term Care home! A reminder that the long term care home also cares for adults in their 20s+, who suffer from debilitating illnesses, such as MS.

The children will also be making Valentine's Day cards that will accompany the items. The collections will take place after Masses this weekend as well as February 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>. Items can be left in the entrance of the church where the St. Francis Statue used to be.

Items that the home has asked for this year include: Kleenex (The residents LOVE Kleenex!), LARGE print crosswords and word searches (no Sudoku please), ADULT colouring books and colouring pencils and chapstick. Thank you for your generosity.

**Knights of Columbus****Maple Syrup Fundraiser**

The weekend of February 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup>, the Kitchener Knights of Columbus, council 1504, will be selling fresh, local Maple Syrup, to raise funds to aid them in their charitable work. The cost is \$15.00 for a 500 mL bottle. This is a great chance to get stocked up and get ready for Shrove Tuesday!

**Resurrectionist Vocation Minute**

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

We rarely get a glimpse of the whole path ahead of us, but we can always see the choices that are in front of us. And by reflecting on whether the choices we are making are resulting in the Beatitudes being more or less present in our lives – we can have a good indicator if we are on the right path, if we are pursuing our vocation.

Fr. Raphael Ma,  
CR; [resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com](mailto:resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com)

## Around Town

**Serra Club** - is glad to resume meetings at **St. Agnes Parish, Waterloo** on the second Thursday of the month. Join us at St. Agnes for a Holy Hour, Rosary and Benediction at 6:00 and Mass at 7:00. There will be a brief meeting and fellowship in the parish hall following evening Mass. Serrans are lay Catholics – men and women of all ages and from all walks of life, all dedicated to promote and foster vocations. Serra International (“Serra”) is formally recognized by the Holy See as the only global lay apostolate for vocations in the Catholic Church.

Masses for 2026 are February 12, March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13, September 19, October 8, November 12, and December 10. Join us for the Rosary on ZOOM every Monday at 7:00 pm. Address: 891 4699 8295, Pass Code GvsW9U. New members are welcome! Contact [ma\\_zister@hotmail.com](mailto:ma_zister@hotmail.com).

**Erb & Good Funeral Home** - All are warmly invited to attend a **free Pre-Arrangement Information Seminar** hosted by **Erb & Good Family Funeral Home**. This informative session will explore how pre-planning funeral arrangements can help families make thoughtful, informed decisions while easing the emotional and practical burden on loved ones. A lawyer will also be in attendance to discuss **Estate and Executor responsibilities** and to provide an opportunity for questions and discussion. **Date:** Wednesday, February 4, 2026 at 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. **Location:** Erb & Good Family Funeral Home, 171 King St. S., Waterloo. **RSVP:** Call **519-745-2195** or email [contact@erbgood.com](mailto:contact@erbgood.com) to reserve your spot.

**Lift Jesus Higher Rally 2026** - Saturday, March 14th at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. For information regarding bus and tickets, please call Anna Joseph at 519-577-8519.

**World Day of Prayer 2026** - Friday, March 6th beginning with Morning Service at 10:30 a.m. at

St Mathews Lutheran Church, 54 Benton Street, Kitchener. Focus on Nigeria "I will give you rest."

## Diocesan Announcements

### SPRING BOOK CLUB: "ON LOVE OF THE POOR"

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invite you to join us for a four-week virtual book club, exploring Pope Leo XIV's first Apostolic Exhortation, **"On Love of the Poor."** Aligned with our Lenten journey, this series will explore the key themes and messages of our Holy Father's message on love and solidarity with those who experience marginalization. Registration can be made: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

**SPEAKING SYNODALITY** The [Office for Evangelization and Catechesis](#) invites you to join our three-part workshop series on Synodality and its applications in local parish settings. This seminar is encouraged for those involved in parish councils, pastoral planning, and leadership at all levels of Catholic community living. There will be 2 locations for each 3-part session series: Hamilton (with a Zoom option) and, Guelph. Registration and further details: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

**THE REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL** brings you an insightful exploration of the dangers of book banning and the loss of intellectual freedom with a screening of *The Librarians* on **February 26, 2026 7:00 – 9:00 PM**. The film is told through the personal experiences of librarians under siege as they fight for democracy alongside everyday people who join their ranks in defense of books. The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register and view our full schedule of events at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/> A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

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### 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."**

**February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026**

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

*"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven."*

*-Matthew 5:12*

