

Mass Intentions – October 6 th – 11 th			
Date/Time	Feast Day	Intention	Requested By
Tuesday 6 th 9:00 AM	Ferial	• +Joseph Dao & Anna Pham	•Ninh Dao
Wednesday 7 th 9:00 AM	Our Lady of the Rosary	• Int. Maria Cabral	
Thursday 8 th 9:00 AM	Ferial	• +Ildenbrando Silveira	•Maria Silveira
Friday 9 th 9:00 AM	Ferial	• +Jozef Prilesnik	•Angela Prele
Saturday 10 th 5:00 PM	28 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	• +Maria Thi Dung Nguyen • Frances Hehn • Int. Lucille Vanzielegthem	• Chinh Thi Nguyen Children • Brenda & Children • Anne Darby-Watchorn
Sunday 11 th 9:00 AM		• For Parishioners of St. Francis	
11:00 AM		• Int. Justin Diamond & Sara-Margaret Westman	• Marg Voll & Colin Westman

Diocesan Prayer Calendar
Mon. October 5th: **Rev. Charles Galea**
Tues. October 6th: **Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean Pierre**
Wed. October 7th: **Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ, p.j.c.**
Thu. October 8th: **Lay and Youth Parish Ministers**
Fri. October 9th: **Rev. James Link, C.R.**
Sat. October 10th: **Rev. Dominic Thomas, C.M.I.**

Stewardship Report
September 26/27
Envelope & Loose \$3,145.00
Automatic Withdrawal \$1,145.00
Total Collection Last Week \$4,290.00
2026 Total Collection \$201,400.35

Thank you for your generosity!

What’s Happening this Week?
Monday
Senior Gentle Exercise (H) 1:15 & 2:30 pm
OEA (H) 7:00 pm
Wednesday
Senior Gentle Exercise (H) 2:30 pm
Thursday
Games Afternoon (H) 2:00 pm
Sunday
Children’s Liturgy @ 9am Mass

The Church Looks Lovely!
A big thank you to Grace Grundy for spending hours this week decorating our church with fall colours in celebration of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, as well as the upcoming Thanksgiving Holiday! It looks fantastic!



SPECIAL THINGS HAPPENING IN OCTOBER

Celebrating St. Francis of Assisi
✧ **NEW — JUST FOR OCTOBER!** ✧

🕯️ **MONDAY MASS**

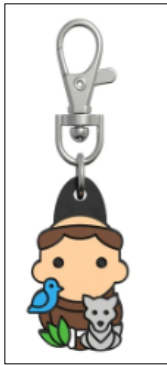
- Every Monday • 9:00 AM
- Adoration begins at 8:00 AM

Join us for Mass on Monday — a special addition for the month of October!

🕯️ **SATURDAY CONFESSIONS** - *Please note the new Saturday confession time for October.*

- Confessions begin at **3:45 PM**





Tiny Saints Keychain of St. Francis

Now Available!

In celebration of the Jubilee Year of St. Francis, we are selling Tiny Saint Keychains of St. Francis of Assisi! These 1-inch, rubber-constructed collectible charms feature a lobster claw hook that easily clips onto keychains, backpacks, or lanyard. Get your souvenir of this jubilee year while they’re available! The cost is \$10.00 each. If you’d like to purchase any, please contact the Parish Office: 519-745-7301.



It’s BACK! - Games Afternoon

The first Games Afternoon event of the fall is this coming Thursday! All are welcome to join us in the Parish Hall on Thursday October 8th from 2-4pm, to play some board games, card games, whatever you feel like playing! Bring some friends and your favourite game, or try out some of ours. There is no cost, snacks are provided. For more info contact Jane & Veikko Kuronen at 519-745-6033.

Legacy Project Update

The Plaques Have Arrived!

Back in June, we began a project to update the name of our church outside the main doors and to install two plaques commemorating the Resurrectionists, the founders and administrators of our Parish until this past June. We are happy to announce that the **plaques were installed this past week**, meaning all of the projects are now complete — just in time for the Feast of St. Francis!

Be sure to take a moment to see all of the additions around the front of the church: the full name of our church outside the doors, the Resurrectionist plaque in the foyer, and the plaque on the statue of St. Francis in Exaltation along the walkway.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone for your generosity, support, and encouragement. We are grateful to have these beautiful additions to our Parish as we honour our history and look forward to the future.

Happy Feast of St. Francis!



On the weekend of 10th/11th we invite you to bring donations of non-perishable food items to be donated to the House of Friendship. Carts will be available Thank you for sharing with our neighbours in need. Please consider bringing your donation in a box or reusable bag.

Mark your Calendars

Our upcoming **Christmas Bazaar** is scheduled to take place on **Saturday November 14th** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. More details will be provided after Thanksgiving so keep an eye on the bulletin!

Christmas Bazaar Request!

DRAW PRIZES are needed for the main raffle in our Christmas Bazaar. Our Bazaar Committee is looking for new raffle prizes for our main draw that are a value of \$100.00 or higher. Gift cards and other donations that can be combined into a larger prize are also appreciated. If you or your business have anything to donate, please contact the church office or Linda Carmichael at carmichaellinda7@gmail.com or (519) 742-0656. Thank you so much for your generosity!

October: A Month of Prayer for Vocations

Fr. John Ha, our Vocations Director, invites all the faithful in the Diocese of Hamilton to pray for vocations throughout October. As children of God, let us pray together for those discerning a call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, consecrated life, and marriage.

May they have the courage to listen to God's voice and respond with generous hearts.

Since it is also the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, you are encouraged to offer the Rosary, in particular, the Luminous Mysteries, for vocations. For more information, visit hamiltondiocese.com/vocations.

Preparing for World Mission Sunday "One in Christ"

This year's celebration on October 18th holds particular significance as the Church marks the **100th anniversary of World Mission Sunday**, established by Pope Pius XI in 1926.

Today Jesus speaks of a vineyard entrusted to tenants (Mt 21:33-43). The Church is that vineyard. Pope Leo XIV's theme for World Mission Sunday, two weeks away, begins here: we are one in Christ before we are sent. The Alleluia verse says, "I have chosen you from the world to go and bear fruit that will remain." This week, pray for the unity of our parish and of the whole Church. Mission begins when Christ lives in us.

The Holy Father's message for the 100th World Mission Day, "**One in Christ, united in mission**," is available on the Vatican website: <https://tinyurl.com/8tx73k66>

Around Town

St. Agnes Education Cafe: It is easy to see the growing presence of evil today. War, crime, the growth in "us versus them", attacks on religious institutions, the family & the sacredness of human life. The bible refers to the devil by many names: the Accuser, the Scatterer & the father of lies, who seeks to deceive & divide us. We need not be afraid! Jesus' Resurrection brought victory over evil. With prayer & participation in the Sacraments, we are equipped for the spiritual battles in life. Attend "**The Many Faces of Evil ~ Wounded by Sin, Saved by the Sacraments**" with **Fr. Michael King. Sunday October 18th 2-3:30pm, St. Agnes, Waterloo.**

Blessed Sacrament Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale - Sat. Nov. 7th: 10 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., 305 Laurentian Drive, Kitchener.

Handmade crafts, unique holiday gifts, seasonal decorations and holiday decor handcrafted by our talented vendors. Wonderful Christmas Baked goods, cookies, holiday loaves and festive treats. Free admission. Join us for a festive Day of holiday cheer, community fellowship and seasonal shopping.

FALL BOOK CLUB: Into the Heart of Middle-Earth Step into the rich world of J.R.R. Tolkien and discover how his stories illuminate timeless truths about faith, hope, virtue, and the Christian life. Join us for a book club exploring *Into the Heart of Middle-earth* by Kaitlyn Facista, where together we'll uncover the spiritual themes woven throughout Tolkien's beloved works and reflect on what they can teach us about following Christ today. More information and to register, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/5hbnr6ez>

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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.

— OUR PARISH TEAM —



Pastor: Fr. Stephen Gilbert
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Admin. Assistant: Mrs. Amanda Michaels



Building 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."



October 4th, 2026

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi