

THE 5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 5, 2017

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Mass Intentions this week

February 7 – February 12

Please note: Weekday Masses are celebrated in the Rectory Chapel unless otherwise indicated.

Tuesday 6:30 pm †Mario Nardone

Wednesday 12: noon † Molly Lefebvre

Thursday 12: noon †Souls in Purgatory, Intentions of Dalbert & Aldona Dawson

Friday 12 :00 noon †Intentions of Mary

Saturday 5:00 pm †Bob Balazs, Frances , John & Carmina Risi, Cecil & Anne Fulcher, Mario Oseguera Leal, Intentions of Josie McKinnon and Joanne



Sanctuary Lamp this week

Intentions of: the Holy Souls in Purgatory and repose of their souls. Requests accepted by placing an envelope with the name of loved one and a donation of \$10 in the collection basket.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

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| Monday, February 6 | Rev. Raymond Peter |
| Tuesday, February 7 | Rev. Gary Palangio, C.R., RIP |
| Wednesday, February 8 | Disalced Carmelite Fathers (O.C.D.) |
| Thursday, February 9 | Rev. George Nowak, C.R. |
| Friday, February 10 | Rev. Pawel Szymanowski, C.R. |
| Saturday, February 11 | Rev. Lech Wycichowski, C.R. |

OFFERTORY: Thank you!

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| Sunday, Envelopes | \$2,650.00 |
| Loose Collections: | \$ 543.25 |
| Average Weekly Preauthorized | <u>\$ 485.00</u> |

Total Weekly Offering Jan 29, 2017 \$3,678.25

Budget expenses for the week \$4,265.00

BULLETIN TRIVIA:

In 1626, Fr. Joseph de la Roche Daillon, a Franciscan missionary, was the first known Roman Catholic to come to the Brantford area. His mission was to evangelize the native people. Their village, “Kandoucho” was the largest in the whole Neutral nation, Fr. Joseph renamed the village “Notre Dame des Anges” (Our “Lady of the Anges” (Our “Lady of the Angels”). It and the mission were located where the city of Brantford now lies.

MEDITATION

As Christians, we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We must keep our fervor in spreading the good news of the gospel. Unfortunately, there are many forces trying to suppress our faith. Our own culture would prefer that we hush up about it. Sadly, there is even a growing attitude among Christians that we should keep our faith to ourselves.

What could be further from our vocation?

A relationship with Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is our source of happiness and fulfillment. It is the only path to eternal life. In a world starved of true joy, how can we not spread the message of God’s love? If you found the cure for cancer, would you keep it to yourself?

Let us not shy away from proclaiming our faith.

This does not mean shouting on street corners, but rather witnessing within the context of a relationship. Pray for the opportunity, and always be an example of holiness. When the right time comes, have that crucial conversation with your friend, co-worker or family member. Remind them that Jesus loves them and wants a relationship with them more than anything. Be not afraid; the Holy Spirit is with you. May we go forward as faithful Christians to enlighten the world with our faith!

Connor Brownrigg, Ottawa, ON
Novalis, Living with Christ

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Welcome to our session in our parish hall today (Sunday) and *also Sunday, March 5th at 10:30 am – 11:25 a.m.*

We continue to pray for you as your prepare to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit on Thursday, May 25th.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Parents of children who will celebrate First Reconciliation in March and First Holy Communion in April are reminded of the important meeting on:

- **Thursday, Feb. 16th at 7:00 pm** in our parish hall

You are to choose which evening your child will celebrate First Reconciliation: either

- **Wednesday, March 8th OR**
- **Thursday, March 9th at 7:00 pm** in our Church.

Adults will also be offered the opportunity to receive Reconciliation – three priests will be present each evening : two for the children and one for adults.

WELCOME

Today at the 9:30 am Mass we welcome the Junior Worship Band from St. John's College, under the direction of Mr. Andrew Hall, Chaplain of S.J.C. Thank you for "making a joyful noise unto the Lord."

RCIA

It is very encouraging to witness our RCIA team walking the path of Faith with those who will be fully initiated into our Roman Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil.

To this point, there are nine Candidates to be received.

Please continue to pray for them and the RCIA team.

Also, set aside **April 15th at 8:00 pm** to Celebrate the First Mass of Easter: it is a beautiful and inspiring Liturgy!

SAVE THE DATE!

Our parish Mission will be held this coming **May 28th – 31st**. Our speaker's "bio" follows:

Father Eugene O'Reilly, C.Ss.R., affectionately known as "Red". Fr. O'Reilly was born in Monaghan, Ireland in 1944. He came to Canada with his family and later joined the Redemptorists. Upon graduating with a B.A. from the University of Windsor, he pursued his theological studies in France and Montreal and was ordained in 1972. Since 1983 he has preached Missions and retreats to Parishes, teachers, School Boards, Clergy and Religious throughout Canada and the U.S. He has also served in St. John's, Newfoundland as Pastor of a large Parish. He has been Vocation Director for the Redemptorists in the Eastern Province. Father Red completed a sabbatical year, part of which was spent at the School of Applied Theology, Berkely, California. He has a particular interest in music, and has composed a number of religious songs. Some of his music is in the Catholic Book of Worship and the Grade four and five Religion Programme in Canada. He has teamed up with other Redemptorists, and together they have produced four recordings.

Mission Preaching is Fr. Red's full time ministry and he brings to it a ready smile, a wonderful sense of humour and a compassionate understanding of people and the complex world in which we live.

ALSO, that week the beautiful St. John's Bible will be on display in our Church!

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You are the light of the world." Are you willing to let your light shine as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: mking@hamiltondiocese.com

BOOK OF CONDOLENCES

Please sign your name to the book of prayers and Condolences which we will send to the Mosque in Quebec as a symbol of our Solidarity.

Let us commit to continue praying and working for peace.

BRANT COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE SYSTEM -

This past Fall the BCHS initiated a hospital wide refresh of privacy policies. The goal of this initiative was to protect the privacy of patients. One result of this initiative was taking a closer look at clergy access to patient information. Up to now, clergy have been able to access the patient list with religious identifier. This has offered a convenient way for clergy to scan the database to discover parishioners. Spiritual care providers from the community know that hospitalization sometimes happens quickly, that patients may not be able to contact their spiritual care providers, and that visits are most often wonderful experiences that promote health and healing. The importance of our patient first mission became a guiding light. Because of our privacy legislation we cannot assume that every patient wants their community faith provider to know of their hospitalization. As a result we are recommending that faith leaders can access patient information if the patient or family expresses consent and wishes to see their clergy. This change became effective Wednesday, January 18th, 2017.

This means that you our parishioners need to advise us if someone from your family would like a visit. Thanks, Fr. Earl.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60 + Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 25, 2017** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster on the bulletin board of our church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com

Knights of Columbus

St Basil Council #13442 - **Meeting** Tuesday Feb. 14, 2017 in the Rectory at 7:00 PM after

6:30 PM Mass in the Chapel. Grand Knight, Bill Kane, Tel # 519-752-1331

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