BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



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MASS TIMES:

Saturday – 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:15 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday- 9:00 a.m.

Thursday – 9:00 a.m.

Friday – 9:00 a.m. Holy Hour follows Mass

ADORATION:

First Friday of the Month all day, Benediction at 9:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays - 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and during Friday's Holy hour when available

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please see our Parish Website for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please see our Parish Website for information and to fill out the Preliminary Form at least 9 months in advance.

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you are new to our community or just visiting, welcome to Blessed Sacrament Parish. We encourage all new parishioners to register with the parish. Registration forms can be found on our website **bskchurch.ca**

We are most happy to have you join our Parish Family.

LEGACIES AND BEQUEST

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Blessed Sacrament Parish in your will and when suggesting expressions of sympathy. If you wish to make such a bequest in your will please contact the Parish office.



SCAN OR CODE TO GIVE

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ASCENSION OF THE LORD

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF Monday, May 13, 2024

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

- **†** Maria Peixoto Children
- † Dec'd Zeman & Willish Family Members
 - Christiana Zeman
- † Philip Brunelle Family
- † Waldemar Nieczyporowicz Agata N.

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

† Bridie Clarke – Gus Clarke

Thursday 9:00 a.m.

† Joseph Dao & Anna Pham - Family

Friday 9:00 a.m.

† Bernie Poechman

- Rosemary & Bernie White

Saturday 7:00 p.m.

†George & Joseph Sutej

- Sister Anna & Family

† Walter Couto – Maria Couto

Sunday

8:15 a.m.

† Ivan Svazic - Marie & Frank Baril Special Intention

10:00 a.m.

Special Intention

11:45 a.m.

For the People of Blessed Sacrament Parish

Blessed Sacrament Church

May 5 – Offertory \$ **7638.95**



Thank you for your generosity!

Your gift and attendance truly matters. It is the life and future of our parish!

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday

Legion of Mary 7:45 p.m. Music Rm

Wednesday

Choir Practice 7:15 p.m. Music Rm

Friday

Office is closed today.

PARISH PROJECTS HELP NEEDED

We are in the process of planning a significant project to paint the interior of the church. Our goal is to begin and complete this project over the summer. Also, essential electrical work is needed in the parish hall and is waiting for attention. We're looking for recommendations for individuals or companies who could help us with these projects. If you know anyone trustworthy who could help, please speak with the pastor or contact the office.

THANK YOU FROM FR. LUKE

Thank you all for celebrating my 35th Priestly Anniversary with me. There's no better company to share such a meaningful day with than my faith family. Your prayers, kind wishes, gifts, and heartfelt notes touched me deeply. A special shoutout to Cecilia Condren, The Legion of Mary, The Men's Group, C.W.L and RCIA who ensured coffee and treats were available after each Mass; your tireless service is truly appreciated. All praise and glory to God. You are always in my thoughts and prayers. Fr. Luke

NATIONAL FAMILY & LIFE WEEK MAY 13-19

Across Canada, the Catholic faithful are celebrating in a special way a whole Week to honour and support families. The theme for this year is "Love hopes all things," which is taken from Saint Paul's hymn on love in 1 Corinthians 13.7: "[Love] bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." This description of love is also at the heart of Pope Francis's reflection on the dynamics of spousal and family love in the Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Amoris Laetitia, chapter 4. Through this theme, families are encouraged to cultivate, deepen, and renew Christian hope by drawing on

scriptural reflection, family prayer, and the Sacraments.

ROSE SUNDAY



The Knights of Columbus are here this weekend to distribute and sell Roses for Life. Net proceeds are used to help support Pro Life causes in the

K-W area.

COMMUNITY & FUN DAY!! JUNE 1st 11 A.M. – 3 P.M.

Join us for a Day in celebration of Corpus Christi on June 1st from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Living Rosary * Bubbles * Tug of War * Face Painting * Family Games * Candy Floss Machine * BBQ Hot Dogs & Hamburgers * Fun for the whole family!! Tickets will be available in the lobby over the next 3 weeks. ** We are looking to borrow 2 BBQ's if you are able to help please contact Wendy at 519-897-5598.

THANK YOU!!

During the last few weeks we collected monies for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. Because of your Generosity we raised a total of \$ 420.16 from Blessed Sacrament Parish. Thank you for being part of this important step towards building relationships, healing and reconciliation.

DIOCESAN FUNCTIONS

RELICS OF ST. BROTHER ANDRE BESSETTE VISIT HAMILTON DIOCESE

The major reliquary of St. Andre Bessette (Brother Andre of Montreal Oratory) will visit the Diocese of Hamilton May 17-24, 2024. The relics of Brother Andre start their tour at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King and finish at Holy Family, Hanover. See the diocesan website, Saint Brother André in the Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com) for dates and times. This is a wonderful opportunity to invoke the intercession of one of our own Canadian Saints. We are truly blessed to have the relics of St. Andre Bessette visit our Diocese.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

Join us on May 23, 7:00 – 9:00 PM for the screening of The Biggest Little Farm. The film

chronicles the eight-year quest of John and Molly Chester as they trade city living for 200 acres of barren farmland and a dream to develop a sustainable farm in harmony with nature. Guest speaker Lisa Conroy, Farm Educator from the Ignatius Jesuit Centre in Guelph will offer insight into their model of organic agriculture and the programs they provide. The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register at:

https://reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com/

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.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

The data continues to grow on the dangers the internet can pose to children and on the benefit of time spent in play, both indoors and outdoors. For younger children this means play that uses their imaginations and does not include the internet. For older children, it may include such things as playing board games, doing puzzles and hiking. Whatever the age of your children, time without the internet supports good growth. So, spend time playing as a family and you will see the positive benefits for your children!

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

The statement 'Families that pray together stay together' is not just a cliché, but also a fact that has research data to prove its impact. To those of us with faith it makes sense, but we sometimes neglect to undertake what we know will be helpful to us. So, take the time to pray as a couple: first thing in the morning, before meals, before going to bed, at Mass and/or any other time you can. It is an easy way to connect and strengthen your relationship.

THE FINE ART OF BEING HAPPILY MARRIED

In his poem, The Art of Marriage, Wilfred A. Peterson writes, "A good marriage must be created" and creating something requires time and attention. We invite you to take the time, with your spouse, to find new and creative ways to increase your connection with each other, to discover fresh techniques for being in relationship and to deepen the love you already share. Join us

on **Saturday, June 1**st **from 9:30 – 3:00 pm** at Catherine of Siena Parish in Hamilton. Cost is \$50 per couple and includes lunch. To register on the website go to hamiltondiocese.com and look under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

A Women's Cursillo Weekend will be held in Deemerton from Thursday, May 30 to Sunday, June 2nd. For information or application forms, please contact Mary Ann Kirkconnell (Weekend Coordinator) rmkirkconnell@gmail.com

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT - SATURDAY, JUNE 1ST - STONEY CREEK

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, June 1st at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church (934 Highway #8, Stoney Creek, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/ For more please information. contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

OTHER FUNCTIONS

THE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN FOR MARILLAC PLACE!

Join us as we support Marillac Place's Baby Bottle Campaign, running from Mother's Day to Father's Day! These six weeks give us a special opportunity to come together and make a tangible difference in the lives of young mothers and their children in our community. Your donations, help provide vital support to Marillac Place's offering programs. housing, education. counseling, and more to those in need. Let's embrace the spirit of giving and compassion as we uplift and empower these families towards brighter futures If you wish to donate online, scan the QR code with your smartphone camera found on the posters at the entrance of the church. OR you can mail a cheque directly to Marillac Place

at 109 Young St Kitchener ON N2H 4Z2. For more information on Marillac Place visit our website: www.marillacplace.ca Thank you for your continued support that changes lives

VACATION BIBLE & LEGO ROBOTICS CAMP 2024

To Mars and Beyond – July 15-19 at St. Louis Parish in Waterloo (53 Allen St. East). The camp will run all day (9AM - 4 PM). Campers may register for the whole day, or half a day. The mornings will be focused on the Space theme with faith intertwined through all activities. afternoon will be Lego Robotics, with the Space theme. Ages for the all day camp is 7 to 11 years old. Children 5 to 6 years old are welcome to sign up for the morning VBS only. Registration is open. Forms available from St. Louis parish website Welcome Page www.saintlouisparish.ca or by contacting Kelly Krause at St. Louis parish office at 519-743-4101, or kkrause@hamiltondiocese.com.



Thank you, Lord,

that you fill a mother's heart with love,
That you have instilled in her very being the
need to protect her children if at all possible,
Thank you for giving her the gift of
nurturing her children, of teaching them,
of comforting them,
for feeding them and making

a safe place for them.

For guiding them to be all that

God has created them to be.

Fill every mother with love, wisdom and

endurance,

with strength and patience and joy.
Give them ability to forgive again and again.
Enable her to rely on You and call upon
You, because You will give her all she
needs.

In Your precious and all powerful name, Amen