# 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. Morning Coffee follows Mass

**Thursday** – 10:00 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 call the office.

#### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:**

By appointment - Please call the office 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 blessed-sacrament.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.

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SCAN QR CODE TO GIVE

# 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR WEEK OF Monday, October 16, 2023

# Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

† Augusto & Jose Neves – Lucia Neves

† Dec'd Relatives of Catherine Espino

† Joseph Nguyen Van My - Family

Special Intention – Bernie & Rosemary White

Int. of Cecile Koziak - Mary Effinger

# Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

 $In \ Thanksgiving-Manuel \ \& \ Otilia \ Pinto$ 

# Thursday 10:00 a.m.

**†** George VanderZanden – Ivy VanderZanden

† Kunjammammai George – Joy Kuncheria

# Friday 9:00 a.m.

For the People of Blessed

Sacrament Parish

# Saturday 7:00 p.m.

† Antonio DaGraca – Gracinda & Family In Thanksgiving – Kuncheria Family

# **Sunday**

**8:15 a.m.** † Frank Peragine - Family **10:00 a.m.** Int. of Bajac Family

– Marko & Irene Bajac

**11:45 a.m.** † John Dsa & Dec'd Members of D'Costa & Gomes Families – Jennifer Dsa

# **Blessed Sacrament Church**

October 8, 2023 Offertory \$ 5,791.86



# Thank you for your generosity!

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

# **EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

# **Tuesday**

Legion of Mary 7:45p.m. Parish Centre Men's Ministry 7:45 p.m. Music Rm

## Wednesday

CWL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Parish Centre

# **Thursday**

St. Josephine Bakhita School Liturgy

# **Friday**

Potluck 6:00 p.m. Parish Centre

# **Saturday**

Confirmation Class 6:00 p.m. Parish Centre.

#### PARISH WEBSITE

Our parish website got a freshen-up and new design. The new design is to help with the navigation and keeping information up to date. Unfortunately, when connecting the new website to our old domain (blessed-sacrament.ca), we encountered problems. We apologize to everyone who couldn't access our parish website during the last few days. We have established a new website address www.bskchurch.ca and we hope it is a temporary solution until the problem is solved. Once the old domain (blessed-sacrament.ca) is active again, we will also point it to the new website. We thank Sean Sage for managing our website for so many years. "He said to them, go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation"- (Mark 16:15) So, we do!

#### **JUNIOR CHOIR NEWS**

If you are in grade 4-12 and love to sing then you are invited to join our Junior Choir. Rehearsals are on Wednesday's from 6-7. We sing at the 10:00 mass once a month, as well as Christmas Eve and Easter Sunday. Please email Shannon Smith at juniorchoir@blessedsacrament.ca or come out for our first rehearsal at 6:00 on Wednesday, October 18.

# WORLD ON THE TABLE Our Parish Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner



Join us for a celebration! Bring your favorite homemade dish from your country to share. The potluck will take place on **Friday, October 20 at 6 p.m.** in our Parish Center.

## **CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION**

For students Grade 7 and up that attend our Catholic Schools, Public Schools, or Home schooled, please register online by emailing Anna at: agravesande@hamiltondiocese.com.

Confirmation is on November 25, 2023.

Six Confirmation Preparation Sessions begin this Saturday, October 14 at 6:00 PM-8:00 PM in the Parish Centre.

### **CWL NEWS**

You are invited to our next CWL meeting to be held in the Parish Center on **Oct. 18 at 7:00p.m**. Angela Charles, author of Christian fiction novels will be our guest speaker. You will have the opportunity to purchase her books at \$15 each or 2 for \$25. We look forward to you joining us!



October is the month of the Rosary. In honour of our dear Blessed Mother Mary and the Rosary, the CWL will be selling small bouquets of flowers as a fundraiser for \$10 each, after all

masses on the weekend of Oct. 21/22. Thank you for your support and God bless!

**CWL President & Executive** 

## WIDOW AND WIDOWERS

The widow and widowers will meet for Lunch October 20<sup>th</sup>, 12 noon at Swiss Chalet 525 Highlasnd Rd. W. unit 1. Everyone welcome!!

### MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Join us in praying the Rosary before daily Mass
Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.
First Tuesday of the Month at 6:15 p.m.
(Scriptural Rosary)
Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.
Thursday at 9:30 a.m.
Friday at 8:30 a.m.

#### **MEN'S MINISTRY**

Join us on Tuesday, October 17 at 7:45pm in the music room following Mass for our next meeting. We will explore how God calls us to trust Him by looking at the life of Abraham. The principle of believing God anyway; how God makes a Man's Faith stronger. Abraham is the first of ten common men that we will look at who God molded into Biblical heroes because of their willingness to follow Him. As a theme for this year, we will be

exploring what biblical manhood really means, and how to live it out in a culture opposed to authentic Catholic men. All men are welcome. God asks Christian men to be witnesses and role models for our families by living the faith. Ministry to Men seeks to equip us for this challenge.

For more information, contact Roy Smith at 519-656-3291 or Ian Mendes at 289-253-9592.

### PARISH VACCINATION INVITATION

During flu season, let's get vaccinated to protect ourselves and our loved ones from getting infections and complications. Now, you do not need to wait in long lines or book an appointment at your pharmacy/clinic. In cooperation with Rexall Pharmacy, we will be offering flu and upto-date COVID-19 vaccine shots in our Parish Center on November 2nd from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and November 5th from 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. Vaccines will be offered to people five years and older. Please ensure you are feeling well and have your health card with you. We thank Rania Ayoub, our parishioner and pharmacist, for arranging this convenient opportunity.

#### **GARDENING**

The Parish Finance Committee approved hiring a professional gardener/company to look after our property's green areas and flower beds. It requires more time and effort than our volunteers can commit. We are grateful to Jim Kinzie and all volunteers for all their hard work during this ending season. We are always proud of our church surroundings' beauty. There will always be space and time

for every volunteer who wants to help. "He has made everything beautiful in its time." (Ecclesiastes 3:11)

#### **CARETAKER**

We are also looking to hire a person to help us with daily maintenance care and emergencies. This position would require the ability to perform repairs and conduct maintenance tasks, inspecting interior and exterior utilities and setting up for church functions. It is a part-time job with flexible hours. We would welcome recommendations. If you are interested, please get in touch with the office.

# RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

If you would like to learn more about our Catholic faith and traditions or you are considering taking the next steps towards becoming Catholic, check out our RCIA program.. Attendees meet in a casual environment with others who are exploring Catholic faith to understand more about the basic message of Christ and the mission of his Church. The RCIA program is an easy and welcoming way to take a look at the bigger picture about God, Jesus, the Bible, the Christian story and the Catholic Church. If you have questions and would like to speak with someone about the program, or would like to register, please contact Bonnie Schroth at: bonniegschroth@gmail.com or phone 226-929-4893.

# ARE YOU LOOKING TO GET INVOLVED?

If you have been feeling the Holy Spirit's calling to become involved in the parish by joining one of our ministries or groups, then now is the perfect opportunity for you! We are hosting our annual membership drive ending next weekend, so check out the lobby to find out more.

#### REMEMBERING DECEASED.

Cemetery Holy Mass, **November 4 at 4 p.m.**, at Williamsburg Cemetery chapel. Begins with the rosary for the deceased.

### 2023 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

Have you just come back to Mass and are looking for your offertory envelopes?? Please email the office and Keri will help you. **If you have older envelopes** we ask that you toss them out and only use the **2023** envelopes as some numbers have changed. Anyone who does not have envelopes and wishes to, please complete the Registration Form (found online at www.bskchurch.ca)

# **DIOCESAN FUNCTIONS**

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

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40 Days for Life **September 27<sup>th</sup>** to **November 5<sup>th</sup>**, **2023**. Daily between 7am and 7pm, seven days a week. Please consider **Adopting-an-Hour** a week. You can either sign up for prayer hours online at www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener or by calling Ewelina 519-904-2620.

### MARRIAGE SUPPORT

Your marriage doesn't have to feel like it is more trouble than joy, that it feels stagnant or disconnected and/or that it is causing you constant stress. The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is Oct. 20-22. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

# **OTHER FUNCTIONS**

# THE ANNULMENT PROCESS ... THE FACTS AND MYTHS

Presented by Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, Diocese of Hamilton

Date: Thursday November 23 at 7pm

Place: St. Michael Parish, 80 University Ave W, Waterloo - Parish Centre (basement)

Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, the Administrative Officer and Auditor of the Marriage Tribunal for the Hamilton Diocese will present an overview of the Annulment process. He will clarify the steps, dispel the myths, share facts and answer your questions.

To reserve your spot, please register by emailing - parish@stmichaelw.ca, or phone 519-884-9311.