The Epiphany of the Lord - January 7, 2024 - YEAR B



8:00am Tuesday, January 9, 2024 Intentions of Debbie Mazzaferro

8:00am Wednesday, January 10, 2024
Intentions of Barbara Pautler
8:00am Thursday, January 11, 2024
† Bronslawa & Stanislawa Golonka

8:00am Friday, January 12, 2024
Intentions of Anthony Perini
5:00pm Saturday, January 13, 2024
Intentions of Mildred MacDonald
Intentions of Barbara Pautler

- † Carolyn Facca
- † Maria del Carmen
- † Maria Szot

9:00am Sunday, January 14, 2024 Intentions of the People -

of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

11:30am Sunday, January 14, 2024

† Vincenzo Piccolotto



THE POWER OF 1 Foodbank Collection



If you are able, please consider donating **ONE item, every week** at Sunday Mass. The CWL is collecting weekly for the local Waterdown and Flamborough Foodbanks. Donations are greatly appreciated.

Upcoming CWL Events

The CWL is hosting their General meeting on **Tuesday**, **January 9**th **beginning at 7pm**.

On **Tuesday, February 13th starting at 7pm**, we will be hosting:

- The CWL Elections
- Presentation of Pins followed by Merriment.

All Members are kindly invited to attend!



<u>First Communion</u> <u>Final Meeting Notice</u>

Weekend of Jan 13 & 14 following <u>every</u> Mass.

The Church extends an invitation to children of Grade 2 to prepare for and celebrate the <u>Sacraments of Reconciliation</u> and <u>Eucharist</u>. It is the child's parents who will decide when the proper time has arrived to celebrate these Sacraments. This is an important decision, as it will shape your child's faith journey throughout his/her life.

I invite both <u>parents and children</u> to join us after any Mass (5pm Saturday, 9 or 11:30am Sunday) on the weekend of January 13/14, 2024. During this meeting I will walk you through the preparation process for your child's upcoming Sacraments. *All registration paperwork & payment is to be submitted to the office. Remember, only cash/cheque accepted & Copy of the Baptism Certificate.*



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

The council is overwhelmed by the generosity of the parishioners who supported the Angel Wish Tree from December 3-18. We supported 5 families with food cards and gifts. We provided the 55 residents of Waterdown manor with pillows, towels, waterproof pillowcases and mattress pads, Tim's cards, hats, scarfs, and gloves. We provided Good Shepard's and St Martha's house with toys, diapers, and formula and St. Mary's Catholic School with \$400 in Food Basic's cards. We maintain a balance of food cards for any individual or family in need for the rest of the year. We also provided the DeMazenod door with non-perishable food items. On January 20, 2024, we will be cooking and serving Chili to over 600 homeless individuals that visit the DeMazenod Door. The Legion of Mary will be assisting us, as we will also be providing some hats, gloves, scarfs, and warm winter clothing. The ground beef for the Chilli is generously donated by Donna and Chris Amell.

Thank you once again for your generous support in 2023.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - January 14, 2024 - YEAR B



8:00am Tuesday, January 16, 2024 Intentions of Thecla Barretto

8:00am Wednesday, January 17, 2024

† Bronslawa & Kazimierz Oblac

8:00am Thursday, January 18, 2024

- † Stefano Serec
- † Nikodem Lesniak

8:00am Friday, January 19, 2024

† Augusta Corrin Intentions of Nora O'Donnell

5:00pm Saturday, January 20, 2024

Intentions of Amanda Freeman Intentions of Nora O'Donnell 60th Wedding of Anniversary of Julian & Pauline Mendonca † Carol Larsen

9:00am Sunday, January 21, 2024
Intentions of the People -

of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

11:30am Sunday, January 21, 2024

† Arthur Boyd



The Knights of Columbus will be hosting Pancake Breakfast on **Sunday, February** 11th in lieu of Shrove Tuesday on Feb 13th.

Tickets will be available shortly. Connect with the Knights to reserve your spot!



Mark your Calendars

First Come, First Served until we sell out!



Courtesy Knights of Columbus, the travelling icon of our Lady of Guadalupe and the Silver Rose will be on display at the church Saturday, **Jan. 13**^{th.} A special prayer service will commence at 4:00 pm, lasting about 35 minutes, before the 5:00 pm mass.



Baptism Information... please stop into the Parish Office to pick up a Baptism Package to start the Sacramental process.

Requirements for parents: 1 group meeting held in the Parish on the last Sunday of the month following the 11:30am Mass and one private meeting prior to Baptism. Registration is required to attend. Meetings will resume after Lent.

Upcoming Dates for Baptism: January 21st and February 4th.



DIOCESE BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS JANUARY 2024

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (January 21, 2024) marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for youth and adults in celebration of Bible Sunday 2024. Visit our website: https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/.

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is now available online at hamiltondiocese.com.