

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 3, 2025 – Year C



MASSES OF THE WEEK

8:00am Tuesday, August 5, 2025

† Victor Fitzpatrick

Intentions of Kathryn Gamble-Lerchner

8:00am Wednesday, August 6, 2025

† Victor Fitzpatrick

8:00am Thursday, August 7 2025

† Jim Bester

8:00am Friday, August 8, 2025

† Kruno Penavic

5:00pm Saturday, August 9, 2025

† Ralph Naccarato

† Catherine Carmody

† Barbara Wilson

Intentions of Camela Biundo

Intentions of Wendy Bodsworth

9:00am Sunday, August 10, 2025

† Maria Helena DeMatos

† Victor Fitzpatrick

† Vindilina DaCosta

11:30am Sunday, August 10, 2025

Intentions of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish



Vacation Bible School - T H A N K Y O U !

An enormous and heartfelt thank you to every volunteer who showed up to enrich our parish community!

Congratulations on another successful VBS week! Thank you for your time, energy and commitment to strengthening our youth's faith.

A special thank you to our phenomenal VBS organizers, Ericka Mercado & Lyanda Pugliese. Thank you for sharing your talents and passion with our community.

Thank you!



DIOCESAN BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT AUGUST 2025



YOUTH MINISTERS RETREAT!

Save the date: **September 19-21, 2025** for our annual Youth Ministers retreat! We will be at Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat centre. Registration will be out in next week's update.

WHEN LIFE CHANGES

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! The Hamilton Diocese offers two six-week grief programs for your support. Part one will be offered later in the fall and registration will be up soon. For those who have taken part one, the second part of the program will be offered from September 10 to October 15, 2025, from 7:00-8:30pm. The program runs from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in Hamilton. To register go to hamiltondiocese.com and look under upcoming events on the home page.

RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive Support Group

Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on a Friday evenings. Held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. For summer sessions or gatherings, register here: <https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home>, or contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. We look forward to seeing you!

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH #170

Our children learn from their parents and family, more than from any other source. They are watching more than listening, so be aware of your own actions so you can influence them positively. They also judge themselves according to how we treat them: love, respect and dignity should be at the base of all we say and do with them. So, spend time with them, have fun together and see how healthy and strong they will become! (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH #150

Summer is often a little less hectic, so a perfect time to have a cold drink or coffee on a deck or patio and talk with your spouse. Discuss past happy memories, future goals, what things you love and where you are challenged. Time spent together is always good for a relationship and helps us connect in deeper ways.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 10, 2025 – Year C



MASSES OF THE WEEK

8:00am Tuesday, August 12, 2025

Intentions of Domingo Barretto

8:00am Wednesday, August 13, 2025

† Rohan D'Souza

8:00am Thursday, August 14, 2025

† Guido Mancinelli

8:00am Friday, August 15, 2025

† Barry Davis

5:00pm Saturday, August 16, 2025

Intentions of Jane MacCabe-Freeman

Intentions of Trung Nguyen

9:00am Sunday, August 17, 2025

Intentions of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish

11:30am Sunday, August 17, 2025

Private Intentions

Intentions of William Chambers



AUGUST PRAYER: HEROES OF HOPE

**Lord God, by the grace of our baptism,
you have given us new life in Christ and
called us to serve as pilgrims of hope.**

**We pray in thanksgiving for those who
generously share from the abundance of
their financial resources to support the
many good works of your Church,
ensuring that our parishes and
ministries are able to make Christ
present in our world.**

**Through their varied gifts, may they
touch the hearts of all in our community
who long for the hope, born of our
Christian faith, that never disappoints.**


**We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Young Adult Pilgrimage to Midland – Jubilee of Hope


Calling all young adults! Join us for a special day pilgrimage to the **Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ontario** as we journey together in the spirit of the **Jubilee of Hope**. This is a chance to connect with others, deepen your faith, and walk in the footsteps of the Canadian martyrs.

 **Date:** Saturday, September 27, 2025

 **Departure Time:** 8:00 am

 **Departure Location:** Chancery Office, Diocese of Hamilton
(700 King Street West)

 **Cost:** \$40.00 per person

 **Includes:** Transportation, entry to the Shrine, time for prayer, reflection, fellowship, and celebration of Mass, BBQ Dinner ahead of departure.

All young adults (20's & 30's) are welcome. Space is limited, so register early! **To register or learn more, contact:** Christina Mines, Director of Evangelization and Catechesis catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND.... There are many elderly or sick parishioners who are unable to come to Sunday Mass. It is the responsibility of the entire parish community to ensure they are united with us at Sunday Mass and that they receive the Eucharist. We thank the parishioners who are willing to visit and bring them Holy Communion. If you know of someone, or if you are reading this announcement and would like to be joined with Christ and our community, please call or email Fr. Francis and let us know. We would be happy to connect with you and to make arrangements for you to receive Communion.

RCIA - Are you **interested in exploring the Catholic faith** or wishing to become a member of our Catholic community? Do you know someone who is? In October we hope to begin a series of gatherings for those interested in joining our faith community. If you wish to explore the Catholic faith or become Catholic, please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr. Francis as soon as possible.

FULLTIME POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Guardian Angels Childcare Facility will be opening after Labour Day. We are looking to staff many positions, including **multiple fulltime Early Childhood Educators.**

Kindly send resumes to Sr. Patricia at
srs.waterdowndaycare@gmail.com