

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY: (NO MASS)

9 am Tuesday: † *Marlene Kieswetter*
– By Gerald Kieswetter

9 am Wednesday: + *Anthony Nguyen*
– By the Nguyen Family

6 pm HOLY HOUR
7 pm Thursday: *Blessings for Sarah & Jonathan Mendonsa*
– By Ronnie & Jennifer Mendonsa

7 pm Friday: + *Linda Kennedy*
– By Pat & Loreto Doyle

9 am Saturday: *MASS CANCELLED*
due to First Communion at 11 am

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

5 pm Saturday: *Blessings for Deacon Ed, Debbie and Family*
– By the Kennedy Family

9 am Sunday: In Honour of St. Jude Thaddeus
– By Zrinka Turalija

11 am Sunday: + *Francis Hehn*
– By Doug & Marg Weber

7 pm Sunday: + *Zofia Jarzab*
– By Wioletta

ADDITIONAL LITURGIES THIS WEEK

Saturday, April 13, 11:00 am:
First Holy Communion
St. Agnes School

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING

March 31, 2024 (Easter Sunday)	
Baskets:	4,001.00
Easter Envelopes	4,037.00
Share Lent	325.00
Good Friday (Holy Land)	1,014.00
Pallottine Missions	70.00
Pallottine Seminary	5.00
Building Renovations	355.00

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2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday April 7, 2024

FOCUS: We are called to live out God's mercy.
Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31

In today's Gospel, Jesus confers his divine power to forgive sins on the Apostles through the Holy Spirit. This forgiveness is still available to us in the sacraments. The gift of God's mercy calls us to also perform acts of mercy to ensure that, as in the earliest communities of believers, no one among us is in need.

PARISH NEWS



TODAY – THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER IS DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
Please join us at 3 pm for Exposition & Benediction with the singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.



FIRST COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS
Congratulations to the young people from St. Luke and St. Matthew School who celebrated their 1st Communion this weekend - Saturday, April 6.

30 young people from St. Agnes School will celebrate their 1st Communion next weekend - Saturday, April 13 at 11 am.



CONFIRMATION will be celebrated on:
SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 1:00 pm
for students from St. Agnes, St. Luke, St. Matthew, & Public Schools with Bishop Douglas Crosby as our celebrant.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) IS BACK
Monday, July 8 to Friday, July 12
9:00 am to 12 noon

Age Range "Going into" SK to Gr. 5
Born 2014 to 2019
Are you an older youth or Adult?
Volunteers are needed to help as Camp counselors. Please contact:
vbs.stagnes@gmail.com

IN YOUR CHARITY, please pray for the Repose of the Soul of Joanna Spencer, a long-time member of St. Agnes Parish. Joanna was a member when the first Masses here at St. Agnes were celebrated in the school gym. ***Joanna's Funeral will be celebrated on Monday, April 8, 11:00 am. Our condolences to the family.***

REGIONAL and DIOCESAN NEWS



STEP/BLENDED FAMILY: SMART STEPS FOR BUILDING FAMILY

Are you a parent or stepparent adjusting to blended family life? Smart Steps offers practical insights and suggestions on how to make the relationships work well for all. The next session will be held at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, 28

Norfolk Street. Saturday, April 20 9:15am-3:30pm. Price: \$50 per person (including lunch).

Register online at hamiltondiocese.com and look under Upcoming Events. For more information, contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH:

When we marry, we gain a spouse and his or her family. It is essential that we agree to ensure that we, as a couple, have the most important connection and that we remain united as a family unit when stresses with extended family arise. This means coming to agreement with each other on items such as how to celebrate Holidays and traditions, the raising of children and other areas that directly impact us as a couple, even when family wants to have input. Our families can provide wonderful support to our marriage, but we must remember that the essential relationship is between our spouse and ourselves.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH: Parents are the most influential people in their children's lives. Even in the teen years, when peers become so important, parents are still influencing their children in almost every way. As their role model, it is important to ask yourself if what your children are seeing and hearing from you is how you would like them to act and speak. Do you speak kindly to family, friends and strangers? Do you limit the amount of time you engage on your phone and/or tablet/computer? Do you show them that you rely on God through prayer, attending Mass and talking about times God has helped you through? Your children are watching you to know how to act and behave, so look inward at how you act and speak and be sure you are the person you want your child to become.

HOW TO RECITE THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET



- 1. Make the Sign of the Cross**
- 2. Optional Opening Prayers:**

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Font of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. (Repeat 3 times)
O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You

- 3. Our Father**
- 4. Hail Mary**
- 5. The Apostle's Creed**
- 6. The Eternal Father**

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

- 7. On the Ten Small Beads of Each Decade**

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

- 8. Repeat for the remaining decades**
Saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father" bead and then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

- 9. Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times)**

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

- 10. Optional Closing Prayer**

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion - inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.