

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Tuesday, 6:00 p.m. December 6**  
 +James McGowan, *Marie Hishon*  
 CWL Potluck Mass

**Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. December 7**  
 +For the People

**Thursday, 8:30 a.m. December 8**  
 +David Livingstone, *Mary Collins*  
 School Advent Mass 10:30 a.m.

**Friday, 8:30 a.m. December 9**  
 +Andy Psutka, *Joan & Harry Psutka*

**Saturday, 5:00 p.m., December 10**  
 + Mervin Valad, *Pat Wilkins*  
 + Camilla Paleczny, *Joyce Stemmler*

**Sunday, December 11**  
 9:00 a.m. +For the People  
 11:00 a.m. +For the People

**HOSPITALS AND PRIVACY LAWS:** Because of privacy laws, hospitals do not notify us when our parishioners are admitted. If someone in your family is admitted to hospital and you want the Parish Office to know, please call and tell us. Many hospitals, Catholic or not, have a priest assigned to visit the Catholic patients and bring them Communion, but the family must tell the admittance office of their wish for a clergy visit.

**PRAYER NETWORK** - A reminder to all that our prayer network will pray for your intentions. Please call the parish office, 519-743-4525 or Pam, 519-576-9610 with your prayer requests.



**HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR**

**Please Pray for:**  
 Monday, December 5 - Fr. Angus Smith  
 Tuesday, December 6 - Fr. Mike Myroniuk  
 Wednesday, December 7 - Our Parish Community  
 Thursday, December 8 - Fr. James Boudreau.  
 Friday, December 9 - Fr. Stephen Csiszar  
 Saturday, December 10 - Fr. Timothy Higgins

**MINISTRIES FOR DECEMBER 10/11**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**5pm:** Mary Henhoeffler, Joan Wismer  
**9am:** Donna Eckert, Marilyn Scherrer,  
**11am:** Theresa Hammar, Francis Weiss, Iona Hill

**Lectors**

**5pm (R)** Pat Wilkins, (P) Maureen Flynn  
**9am (1)** Maggie Daly, (2) Bill Zister, (P) Mary Alice Zister  
**11am (1)** Ken Fields, (2) Olga Pickett, (P) Don Pickett

**Altar Servers**

**5pm** Brandon A., Matt L.,  
**9am** Elijah W., Isaac W., Sam W.,  
**11am** Keith L., Austin J., Eric J.,

STEWARDSHIP REPORT	
Weekly donation needed to cover budgeted costs:	\$ 4,100.00
November 27th (Envelopes)	\$ 3,761.00
Loose Change:	\$ 218.13
Below Average:	\$ -120.87
Building Fund:	\$ 45.00

*Thank you for your continued Support*

Let's make our altar beautiful for baby Jesus! This year we are offering an opportunity to honour your loved ones living or deceased by sponsoring a Christmas Poinsettia. Envelopes will be available to collect \$5 person being remembered and used towards Christmas flowers. These envelopes will be available at the entrances to the Church. Please put completed envelopes in the collection basket at any of the Masses

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:**



We are still in need of a person to pick up messages from our neighbours who need our help. You can do this from your home. Perhaps taking one hour every 2 or 3 weeks to retrieve messages from our St Vincent de Paul phone number. If you have one hour every 3 weeks to deliver hampers to those same people in need, you too can help. Please call 519-749-1501 and leave your name and # so that we may talk with you in detail about these gratifying and necessary volunteer position. Thank you for helping us to help others.

**St Teresa Parish Children's Christmas Party** will be held in the Parish Centre on **Saturday December 17th** following the 5 pm Mass. Tickets will be available the weekends of November 26/27, December 3/4 and December 10/11. A hot turkey dinner with all the trimmings will be served and there will be crafts for the kids as well as a visit by a 'very special guy in a red suit! Cost is \$7.00 per adult, \$5.00 for children 10-15 and \$3.00 for children under 10 or \$25.00 for the family. **Families with their last name starting with A-M are asked to bring a salad and families with their last name ending in N-Z are asked to bring a dessert.** There are a limited amount of tickets available on a first come first served basis.

**EUCHRE RESULTS:** (November 25th) High Score – Albert Bruckhardt; Most Lone Hands –Ron Cash, Low Score - Helga Winkelholz, Draw 1 – Bernard Brohman; Draw 2 - Sally Lammert. **Next Euchre: Friday, December 9th at 7:30 p.m.** Any questions call Harry Psutka 519-743-6489



**THE RESURRECTION CHOIR:**

The Resurrection Choir will rehearse on Thursday, December 15th and Thursday, December 22nd at 1 p.m. in the Choir Loft.



**BINGO** will be held **Saturday, December 17th at 9:30 p.m. Late Night Bingo and Saturday, December 31st at 12:30 p.m. Matinee Bingo** at the Charities Bingo Hall, 510 Krug Street, Kitchener. To assist with this fund raiser, please call the office.

**Church Bulletin Advertising** Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin beginning December 2, 2011. The advertisements make our bulletin possible. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

**33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL ADVENT NOVENA - AN INVITATION TO PREPARE WELL FOR CHRISTMAS:** Nine daily Masses at 6:30am at St. Michael's Church, University Ave. West at Hemlock, Waterloo, **Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> to Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.** Note exception: **Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> Mass** is at 9:00am. You are welcome to attend your own church on this day. Make this Advent a special time of preparation for Christmas by joining your Twin-City friends who have been keeping this Advent tradition for many years. Bring along a friend! Everyone is welcome! Plenty of time to get to work afterwards!

**Advent Retreat at the Cathedral of Christ the King** The Catholic Women's League at the Cathedral of Christ the King (Hamilton) is hosting an Advent Retreat in its Auditorium on **Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm. Most Reverend Douglas D. Crosby, Bishop of Hamilton,** will be our guest speaker. The topic of his talk will be 'Journeying with Mary through Advent'. Everyone – men, women and children alike – are invited to attend. Light refreshments will follow a 'question & answer' period after the Bishop's talk. If you require further information, please contact Georgina Minnes at cwl\_ckt@yahoo.ca or the parish office at 905-522-5744.

**ADVENT RETREAT St Anne's Parish** (268 East Ave. Kitchener) On **Friday December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011** from 9:00 to 3:00 pm. (following 8:00 Mass, muffins & coffee). Bring a bag lunch, coffee & tea provided. Suggested Offering -\$20.00 To Register: call or e-mail St. Anne's 519-745-5302 or [stannesfamily@gmail.com](mailto:stannesfamily@gmail.com)

This Christmas, **Menno Singers** are telling the Christmas story on two consecutive Sundays in two very different ways. On **December 11th at 3:00pm at St Peters Lutheran Church Christmas and Other Tales** (40 Queen St. N, Kitchener), Menno Singers present a concert entitled **Brother Heinrich's. Brother Heinrich's Christmas** is a delightful and humorous Christmas fable set to music by John Rutter in 1982 with narrator (Dale Mieske), choir and small orchestra. It tells the story of a humble and reclusive 14<sup>th</sup> century Dominican Monk, Heinrich Suso and his musically gifted donkey Sigismund. Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$5 for children and students. Tickets are available at Music Plus, Mennonite Credit Unions, Choir Members and at the door.

Our lives have all been touched by those in healthcare, so please join us for the sixth annual **WHITE MASS** which will be celebrated by **Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk, chaplain of St. Joseph's Healthcare Hamilton,** on Monday, **December 12th at 7:00 p.m.,** at Sacred Heart Church, 19 Viewpoint Ave., Hamilton. Everyone is welcome.

**LESSONS and CAROLS** Come celebrate the coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ as we resurrect this venerable old English Tradition at Blessed Sacrament Parish on the last Sunday of Advent, December 18 at 7:00 p.m. The lessons recall all of salvation history from the beginning of time until the coming of Our Saviour. Join in hailing His coming as the angels did through the singing of carols in candlelit vigil and savour the musical ecstasy of Handel's Messiah and other magnificent works for the glory of God. This is no better way to look to the coming of the Lord than in this time-honoured tradition.

**The Annual Christmas Concert of the Waterloo Regional Police Male Chorus with the Ceremonial Band of the Waterloo Regional Police Service.** The concert is on Saturday, December 17th at the Grandview Baptist Church, (250 Old Chicopee Dr. in Kitchener), starting at 7:30 p.m. Advance tickets are \$ 13.00, Children under 12-\$7.00 and tickets at the door, \$15.00 if available. Please call Andy at 519-743-4847 for tickets.

On **December 17th** at **St Mary's Parish in Kitchener, Critical Mass** is back after a one year absence. This is a **free concert** at 8:30 p.m.! Join us for some high energy praise and rock.

On **December 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm** at **St Jacobs Mennonite Church** (1310 King St. N, St Jacobs) **Menno Singers** invite the community to a **Singalong Messiah.** Handel's *Messiah* is of course the most well known musical telling of the Christmas story (part I), continuing with the rest of the story of Jesus (parts II and III). For this year, we have invited the community to a **Singalong Messiah.** Simply bring a score (we will have some loaners on hand) and your sense of humour and adventure as we sing through some of the favourite Choruses and Arias with absolutely no rehearsal whatsoever. We will sit in voice parts, with room for an audience of those who simply want to listen. We will be joined by a small orchestra and soloists. The Singalong is a fundraiser, so we invite you to bring your donations (tax receipts for donations over \$20). Come and sing the Christmas story! [www.mennosingers.com](http://www.mennosingers.com) [info@mennosingers.com](mailto:info@mennosingers.com)

On **December 22nd, Maggie Wang** will be doing a **Concert** at **St Mark's Parish** at 55 Driftwood Dr in Kitchener. The concert starts at 7:30 p.m. and admission is \$7. Mags is the 2010 Wellesley Idol and Mags' Dreaming of Christmas album is a nominee for Seasonal Album of the Year by the Canadian Gospel Music Association.

**The Social Planning Council of Kitchener Waterloo** is offering **free computer workshops to adults; seniors, new Canadians and those seeking employment** might find these workshops most helpful. These workshops will begin in November 2011 and continue until the end of Spring 2012. These workshops are currently being held at our office, 151 Frederick St, Suite 300 in Kitchener; other locations are available for those with accessibility issues or those seeking one on one training. For more information regarding these workshops, please see the bulletin board at the front doors of the Church or call 519-579-1096 or email [admin@waterlooregion.org](mailto:admin@waterlooregion.org)

**PILGRIMAGE to the LAND of JESUS, MARY and the APOSTLES** Catholic Biblical invites you on a journey of faith to the Holy Land, March 08-17, 2012. The setting of the Bible had a great effect upon the teachings found in the scriptures, for the land was Jesus' classroom. Our journey will feature daily Mass at the Holy sites, times of reflection and visiting the significant sites of Jesus' story – Nazareth, Bethlehem, Capernaum, and Galilee. Float in the Dead Sea, visit Qumran and Masada. Walk the streets of Jerusalem to the Garden of Gethsemane; carry the cross on the Via Dolorosa to the Church of the Resurrection; touch the Western Wall and much more. Then you will understand why this is "holy ground" for many pilgrims the world over. **SPECIAL MARCH BREAK DEPARTURE.** Call Sr. Jocelyn Monette (Tour Leader) 905 272 3374 or Joanne Cothran 1 866 296 3345. Register now for this journey of a lifetime!

**WOMEN OF GRACE:** This Lenten season journey with us and grow in holiness. Explore a powerful way to discover the spiritual tools God gave you to fulfill your mission in the world today. Some of the answers to the questions you will learn are, "Why did God make you a woman? Why did God send me here at this time and place? How do I know what spiritual gifts I have and how do I use them? How does the Mother of God help to change my life?" Starting Wednesday, January 4 to March 28, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the boardroom at Blessed Sacrament Church. Class size is limited; please register early by calling Yvonne 519-570-9029.