

Fourth Sunday of Easter

COMMONLY KNOWN as “Good Shepherd Sunday” because the Gospel is taken from Jesus’ teaching in John’s gospel about himself as the Good Shepherd. It is also known as Vocation Sunday because on this day we pray especially that more may answer the call to serve the Church in a special way, particularly as pastors and religious. The first thing we need to say on this day is that every single person here has a vocation, every single person here has been and is being called by God through the Holy Spirit to offer their special gifts to the rest of the community. What is your vocation? What is your special gift? What contribution are you making to the life of this parish – inside the Church and outside it? In our parish we might ask, “Are all priests? Are all sisters? Are all Scripture readers? Are all choir directors or choir members?” But we can also ask each one here: “What is your charism? What have you been given so that you can make a personal contribution to the life of this community?” Maybe it is as a parent forming children; maybe it is as a teacher educating young people, not just to know mathematics and geography but to become constructive members of our society and Church; maybe it is as a civil servant, a policeman, a fireman, or a businessman, an engineer, or architect... The question is: how do you express your Christian faith through your daily work? How do you serve the Christian community by what you do? If we all actively responded to that call what a wonderful community we would be!

“The important thing is not to think much, but to love much.”  
**St. Teresa of Avila**

Vocation

On this Good Shepherd Sunday we celebrate the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious consecrated life, especially for our diocese, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If you think God is calling you to be a priest contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

Mother’s Day 2019

On May 12th at 10:00 am Mass we will pray for all Mothers. This day gives us the awesome opportunity to thank All Mothers for their dedication and unconditional love that they share with their children and family. May the good Lord reward you for your care and love by showering upon you abundant blessings. Happy Mother’s Day!

**Mass Intentions** – On Father’s Day, **June 16th**, we will accept multiple mass intentions. Call the office if you would like to make a request at 519-743-4525.

Mass Intentions May 13 – 19, 2019
<b>Tuesday, May 14 - 7:00 p.m.</b> <b>+Camilla Lorentz &amp; James Oberle - <i>Helen Bastian &amp; Family</i></b>
<b>Wednesday, May 15 - 8:30 a.m.</b> <b>+Leon &amp; Genowfa Ziolkowski - <i>Ken &amp; Betty Skinner</i></b>
<b>Thursday, May 16 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.</b> <b>+Vito &amp; Augusta Tonin – <i>Dan Tonin</i></b>
<b>Friday, May 17 – 8:30 a.m.</b> <b>+Maria Canhoto – <i>Quilting Group</i></b>
<b>Saturday, May 18 - 9:00 a.m.</b> <b>Gerald Peter Geisel – <i>Erma Williams</i></b>
<b>Saturday, May 18 - 5:00 p.m.</b> <b>+Leona Grobe – <i>Peter Grobe</i></b>
<b>Sunday, May 19 - 10:00 a.m.</b> <b>Parishioners of St. Teresa Parish</b>

Stewardship Report  
May 5, 2019

Envelopes.....	\$2,347.00
Loose.....	834.55
Building and Maintenance.....	205.00
Needs of the Church (Good Friday).....	15.00
Easter.....	65.00

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar 2019

Monday, May 13 – Rev. Ronald Hodara  
Tuesday, May 14 – Rev. Ireneusz Koziak  
Wednesday, May 15 – Society of Christ  
Thursday, May 16 – Rev. Edward Hinsperger  
Friday, May 17 –Most Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen  
Saturday, May 18 – Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger  
Sunday, May 19 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Save-the-Date – CWL’s 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

St. Teresa Catholic Women's League is celebrating 60 years of service to God and to Canada on **Saturday, June 8th**. We will have Mass at 11 a.m. followed by a Vincenzo's catered lunch in the Parish Centre. Tickets for the lunch will be sold at the main entrance for the next three weekends. We hope you will help to make this a great celebration of all that has been done over 60 years. Please join us!

Canadian Food for Children

Thank you to all who participated in the soap drive. We collected a total of 449 bars of soap. A list will be posted on the CWL bulletin board if you are interested in making other donations. They are in need of donations of all kinds and we will be having another drive soon.

Living as Joyful Disciples - Catholic Education Week 2019

It is a pleasure to share with you Bishop Crosby’s video-message for Catholic Education Week 2019 entitled, ‘Living as Joyful Disciples’. Click on the link to watch the video: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/catholic-education-week/>. Please note that the French version can be accessed from the top-right corner of the website.

**The Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS)** is coming to St. Teresa Parish. Fr. Marian Gil has been involved in LSS retreats and has seen the heart-warming transformation it can work in people's lives -- bringing peace to individuals, and reconciliation do families. YOU can experience the joy of having a personal relationship with the Lord. All it takes is your openness to the Holy Spirit. The LSS will run over 7 weeks, every Friday evening from 7:00 - 9:00 pm beginning **May 17, 2019**. This event is open to all, including non parishioners, 19 years and older -- and it’s free! In the next few weeks we will be hearing more about LSS. Please keep an open heart and an open mind. Got questions? Contact Mila Navaleza at 519-579-8276 or email Mila at [mlnavaleza@gmail.com](mailto:mlnavaleza@gmail.com). You can also email Fr. Marian Gil: [mariangil@icloud.com](mailto:mariangil@icloud.com).

**Catholic Women's League Meeting - Tuesday, May 14th** after the 7:00 p.m. Mass. Everyone is invited to view the video, 'The Euthanasia Deception'. This video is about the misleading information we are receiving about euthanasia today. This is an important topic for our times. The monthly meeting will follow.

Baby Bottle Campaign

Today is Mother’s Day and St. Teresa’s is proud to participate in the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Baby Bottle Campaign! Marillac Place relies heavily on the generosity and assistance from our community to keep its doors open. Volunteers will be handing out baby bottles at the back of our church today. Please support this significant cause by filling it with your spare change and return it to the Church on Father’s Day! All proceeds from the campaign will go directly to the operations of Marillac Place and creating an immediate impact on the residents.

**Day of Prayer and Healing** is being hosted by the Sisters of Life on **Saturday, June 1st**, for women seeking healing after abortion. The day is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God and the joy of healing in Christ, in a confidential and sacred space. It will include a witness of mercy, a Scripture reflection, personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no fee for the day, lunch will be provided. Contact: The Sisters of Life can be reached at: 416-463-2722 or e-mail: [toronto@sistersoflife.org](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife.org)

Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - The Catholic Charities Lottery:

Please join us for appetizers and refreshments, while mingling with past and present board members of The Catholic Community Foundation of Waterloo Region, and regional dignitaries in celebration of our 40th Anniversary on **Tuesday, May 21st** from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at The Atrium, St. Jerome's University, 290 Westmount Rd. N., Waterloo. Speeches and cake cutting ceremony at 5:15 p.m. Don't forget to register you and your guest!

Mission Appeal for “Daughters of the Sacred Heart”

Daughters of the Sacred Heart is a religious institute founded by Madre Maria Teresa Nuzzo in Malta. Our ministry includes education, both academic & moral, caring for the poorest of the poor, young and less privileged children, victims of AIDS, formation of youth and social activities in rural and remote areas in India, Kenya, Tanzania and Philippines. The sisters spread the devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus into the hearts of everyone. The sisters from the congregation will be here at St. Teresa’s at our weekend Masses on **June 1st/2<sup>nd</sup>**, preaching a mission appeal to support their mission.

Camp Keaton for Children Who are Grieving

A bereavement camp for children and teenagers (7-17) from **Friday, June 9th – Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>**. For more information contact: Karen Nowicki, Camp Keaton Administrator, 905-387-2448, ext. 2208 or [knowicki@kemphospice.org](mailto:knowicki@kemphospice.org)

Marriage Tip

Marriage in the Catholic faith, through the love of the couple, is meant to be the visible sign of God’s invisible love for his people. When people observe your relationship do they see love, patience, kindness, and commitment? If the answer is not as often as you would like, then instead of reverting to arguing, whining, or sarcasm when something goes wrong, change your response to your spouse. Be calm in stressful situations, use (learn if necessary) good conflict resolution skills and above all, commit to putting your spouse first. God is divine, but with a few changes, we can move closer to reflecting his love to all who witness our relationship.