

**AUGUST 26 & 27, 2023**



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**WELCOME** to all who have come to worship and pray with us this weekend. We are glad you are here!

### **PASTORAL STAFF**

Fr. Ross Campbell, Pastor  
Fr. Jonathan Reitzel, Associate  
Deacon Gian Girolami  
Deacon Brian Prieur  
Ms. Wes Moga, Youth Minister  
Ms. Nancy Meehan, Secretary  
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### **SUNDAY MASSES**

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

Offered during 11:00 a.m. Mass  
(Sept - June)

### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.  
Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
*\*Or by appointment*

### **ADORATION (1 HOUR)**

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

### **OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



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Our Lady of Peace ..... (905) 523-2330

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St. John Henry Newman ..... (905) 523-2314

# THE 21TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 29** 8:00AM

- Intentions of Matthew Fascione

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30** 8:00AM

+ Deceased Members of the Sepe Family

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30** 7:00PM

+ Caterina Pacenza

+ Paul Virga

+ Doralice Tarquini

+ Fr. Mike Downey

+ Jason Zajac

+ Luigi Pin

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 31** 8:00AM

- Intentions of Anthony Fascione

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1** 8:00AM

+ John Santarelli

## THE 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2** 5:30PM

+ Mario Angelini

+ Lucia Ottaviano

+ Jozef Luscak

+ Michael Litniansky

+ Ferdinando & Giuseppina Chiappini

+ Antonio & Giovanna D'Alimonte

+ Greg & Laura Di Pietro

+ Felix Nardini

+ Vincenzo & Calogera Cino

+ Giovanna Agro

+ Kitty Lemmen

+ Gianni Valle

+ Deceased Members of the Capretta Family

+ Deceased Members of the Valle Family

+ Bruno Assettino

+ Anne Greenwood

+ Vincenzo Malatesta

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** 9:00AM

+ Vittorio Giannotti

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3** 11:00AM

- Mass for the Parishioners

# ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Welcomes YOU!**

Whether you are new to our parish, or have been with us for many years, your presence leaves a unique mark on the life of our church. As your Pastor, I am excited you are with us today to build an even stronger parish community now and into the future.



Fr. Ross Campbell

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

<b>Monday</b>	Rev. Jeffery Oehring
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rev. Patras Samuel Masih
<b>Wednesday</b>	Our Parish Community
<b>Thursday</b>	Rev. Andrew Quarshie
<b>Friday</b>	St. Giles
<b>Saturday</b>	Rev. Charles Jordan

## OFFERTORY

Envelope Contributions	\$ 4,290.00
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Online Donations	\$ 1,637.10
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 6,418.90</b>

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**REMEMBER YOUR PARISH** Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Francis Xavier Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

# AUGUST 26 & 27, 2023

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### MONDAY, AUGUST 28

1 Thessalonians 1.1-5, 8b-10; Psalm 149.1-2, 3-4, 5, 6a+9b;  
Matthew 23.13-22

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

Jeremiah 1.17-19; Psalm 71.1-2, 3-4a, 5-6, 15ab+17;  
Mark 6.17-29

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

1 Thessalonians 2.9-13; Psalm 139.7-8, 9-10, 11-12;  
Matthew 23.27-32

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

1 Thessalonians 3.7-13; Psalm 90.3-4, 12-13, 14+17;  
Matthew 24.42-51

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

1 Thessalonians 4.1-8; Psalm 97.1+2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12;  
Matthew 25.1-13

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

1 Thessalonians 4.9-11; Psalm 98.1, 7-8, 9;  
Matthew 25.14-30

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

Jeremiah 20.7-9; Psalm 63.1, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8;  
Romans 12.1-2; Matthew 16.21-27

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

<b>Tuesday - 29th</b>	8:00 am - Mass
<b>Wednesday - 30th</b>	8:00 am - Mass
<b>Thursday - 31st</b>	8:00 am - Mass
<b>Friday - 1st</b>	8:00 am - Mass 8:30 am - Adoration
<b>Saturday - 2nd</b>	4:30 pm - Confessions

## THANK YOU

We want to say an enormous thank-you to the adults and students who were leaders for our **Bible Camp** this summer. We had 2 extremely successful and fun weeks which would not have been possible without the generous gifts of your time, energy, and talents. Our campers and leaders-in-training had a great time thanks to all of you.

A special "thank you" to this year's newest recruit, Fr. Jonathan, who helped teach us about how Jesus rescues us.

(Thanks to his trusty Holy Spirit floaty, Fr. Jonathan survived the buckets of water poured over his head by the youth!)



## MASSES CANCELLED SEPTEMBER 5, 6 & 7

Both Fr. Ross and Fr. Jonathan will be away at the Annual Priests Seminar from September 5 through September 7. Masses during this time will be cancelled. Please keep all the Priests in our Diocese in your prayers during this Annual Seminar.

## BREAKING NEWS!

Starting September 13, 2023

**WEDNESDAY MASSES WILL BE  
CELEBRATED AT 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM**

(9:00 am Mass changed to accommodate the school children)



# YOUTH MINISTRY

## GOSPEL ACTIVITY



"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"  
Matthew 16:15 (NIV)

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## CHILDREN'S LITURGY TEAM

This September Children's Liturgy of the Word will be resuming at the 11:00am Sunday Mass! Geared to students in Junior Kindergarten – Grade 4, it aims to help kids become more familiar with the Mass and lets them hear the Scriptures read and explained in language they can better understand. If you are a **student in Grade 8 and up or an adult** who is interested in joining the team that leads these gatherings with our little ones, **please contact Wes at the parish office by Tuesday, August 29.**



## WHAT'S COMING UP?

UPDATES  
COMING SOON!!

## QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus asking his disciples who they believe he is.

♥ If Jesus asked you the same question, what would you say? Who is Jesus to you, and how would you describe him to someone who did not know him?

♥ Who do people say Jesus is today?

♥ What do you think it means when Jesus says to Peter, "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church"?



## SAINTRY SUPERHEROES

St. Jeanne Jugan (1792-1879)

Feast Day: August 30

Patron of: the poor elderly

*Jeanne worked as a young girl to help her struggling family and also helped others in need, starting a community of prayer and service to the poor.*

## BIBLE TRIVIA!

What city's walls did God make fall so that Joshua and the Israelites could conquer it?

**Last week's answer:**  
**Giants in the land**



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## BLESSING OF OUR NEW DIVINE MERCY PICTURE

The renovations are almost complete and we are so happy to set up this beautiful devotion to the Divine Mercy. Last weekend Fr. Ross blessed our beautiful, newly commissioned image. We look forward to many blessings from Divine Mercy for years to come.



## CARD CLUB & TUMBOLA ARE BACK!

After a short Summer break, we are happy to announce that Card Club & Tumbola will resume play on Tuesday, September 5 @ 7:00 pm in the Parish Centre. Everyone is welcome.

## PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF THE CAPE SHRINE

Please keep all our Pilgrims in your prayers as they head off to Our Lady of the Cape Shrine in Quebec. We pray for safe travels, great weather, good fellowship, inspiring homilies (Fr. Ross) and a deeper devotion to our Lady.



## C.W.L. RETREAT

Friday September 8 – Sunday September 10, 2023

Mt. Carmel Spiritual Centre, Niagara Falls  
7021 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls.

Our theme this year is “**Take Time to Be Holy**”. The cost for the entire weekend, which includes 2 nights accommodations and 6 meals is \$280. There are also options to attend a portion of the weekend, ranging from \$35 for lunch on Saturday to \$180 for Saturday breakfast to Sunday Lunch.

This year Fr. Ross will be joining us for a portion of the weekend. All women over 18 are welcome. It is a relaxing, faith-filled weekend in a beautiful facility.

If you are interested in joining us or would like more information, please call Carol, 905-643-3532 as soon as possible. Final numbers need to be submitted no later than **Friday, Sept. 1**. Car pooling is available if needed.

## MINISTER OF THE WORD FORMATION WORKSHOPS

Are you interested in reading at Mass on Sundays or weekdays? The Diocese will be holding Formation Workshops for current and new Lectors.

Online registration will open on **Monday, August 28** and will be available on the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops.

Registration for the workshop must be completed online through the links provided on the Diocese of Hamilton Website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/>.

Workshops will be held from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm  
(choose one):

Saturday, October 14	St. Michael Parish	Waterloo
Saturday, November 4	St. Raphael Parish	Burlington



HEARING A CALL TO A VOCATION  
TO SERVE THE CHURCH?

Contact Rev. Mark Morley at:

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

# EXCITING NEWS... BIBLE STUDY RETURNS!!!!

We're so glad to be able to, once again, offer our Bible Study program for this coming year 2023-2024. We're excited to announce that this year the **theme for our Bible Study program is *Walking with the Saints***. We have mindfully put together a program of various studies throughout the year to deepen your faith journey. We are all called to by holy. Let's learn from the Saints how to draw closer to Our Lord Jesus Christ.

If you haven't attended a Bible Study before, please consider joining us....everyone is welcome! These sessions are a wonderful way to meet new people, to come together in fellowship and community and to discover something new about your faith.....see where God leads you.



Our first Bible Study is entitled: ***When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God.***

Join us on an epic journey with Dr. Edward Sri as he travels to Siena, Assisi, Rome and Subiaco, Italy and leads us on a walk with the saints.

Begin your prayerful journey, be transformed as the Saints were and join us for this first study:

***When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God***

When: **Thursday, September 21, 2023 – November 02, 2023 (7-week study)**

Time: 7:00pm – approx. 8:30pm

Where: St. Francis Xavier Chapel Hall

Cost: \$21.00 for the workbook

**To register for the session or if you have any questions**, please feel free to reach out to Marianne at [BiblestudySFX@gmail.com](mailto:BiblestudySFX@gmail.com) or by phone 905-870-6554. **Please register by Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>.**

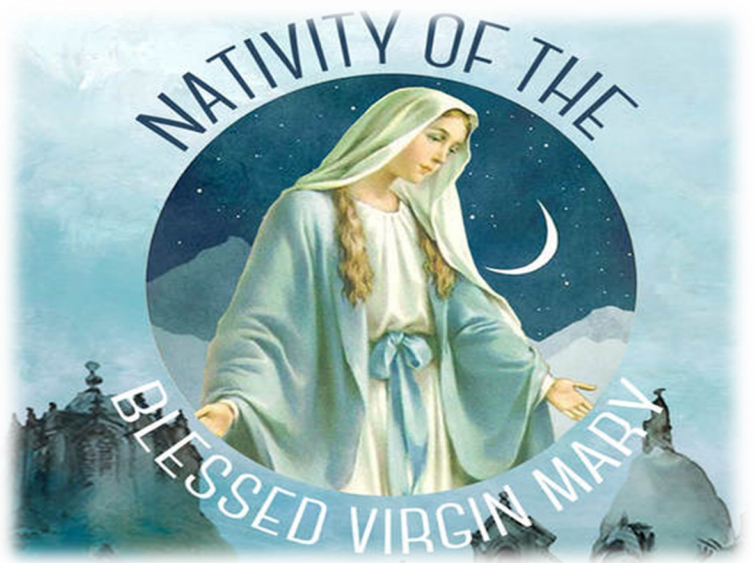
# NATIVITY OF OUR LADY NOVENA

**Start Date:** August 30, 2023  
**Feast Date:** September 8, 2023

Oh Most Holy Virgin Mary, our Mother, You were chosen by the most adorable Trinity from all eternity to be the most pure Mother of Jesus. We have come here to honour You, in this Novena that celebrates Your sinless birth. Relying on the infinite mercies of your Divine Son and with confidence in Your powerful intercession, we place all our petitions. *(Silently present your petitions)*

We now place our prayers for the Pope, bishops, priests, nuns, missionaries, laity, the sick, the aged, the lonely, political leaders, persecutors of our faith, broken families, youth, children, orphans, widows, more vocations, parishioners gathered here, holy souls in purgatory, all suffering due to natural calamities and those who have asked us to pray.

To You dear Mother Mary, we dedicate all our efforts to live a life that is pleasing to God, and be worthy and vigilant at the time of the second coming of Your Son. We also pray that justice, peace, love and unity may prevail everywhere. We make these prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen.



## The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to Your protection, implored Your help, or sought Your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto You, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother. To You I come, before You I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions but in Your mercy hear and answer me... Amen.

**Mary our Mother:** Pray for us.

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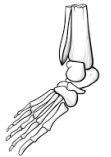
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