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WELCOME

To all who gather with us in prayer and worship this weekend; it is a blessing to have you here!

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: 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Thursday: 8:00 a.m.
Friday: 8:00 a.m.

ADORATION (1 HOUR)

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Mark Morley	Pastor
Fr. Moices Caballero	Associate
Rev. Mr. Gian Girolami	Deacon
Mr. Joshua Osoria-Bote	Seminarian
Mr. Stefano De Feo	Administrator
Ms. Wes Moga	Youth Minister
Mrs. Jean Goobie	Bookkeeper
Mr. Kieran McIsaac	Custodian

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
**Closed for Lunch: 12:00p.m.—12:30p.m.*



19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 8 & 9, 2026

PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

St. Francis Xavier(905) 523-2333
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St. Agnes(905) 560-7616
St. Clare of Assisi(905) 523-2344
Our Lady of Peace(905) 523-2330

PARISH SECONDARY SCHOOL

St. John Henry Newman (905) 523-2314

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11 + Adam James	8:00AM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12 + Florence Whittaker	8:00AM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12 + Luisa DiDiodato + All Souls in Purgatory + Marcello Amatucci + Peter Tran & Maria Nguyen + Bryce Papson - Special Intentions for Greg, Taryn & Adaline	7:00PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 13 + Rosalina Susi	8:00AM
FRIDAY, AUGUST 14 + Pasquale D'Ambrosio	8:00AM

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 + Domenico Villella + Jozek Luchak + Carmine Colalillo + Vincenzo Albini + Giuseppina Fuca + Agostino Di Nunzio + Harrie Snooren + Stan Szewc + Ernesto Caruso + Gino Crimeli + Avio Diletti + Martin Thien Phu Nguyen + Angelo Sartoretto + Deceased Members of the Vuckovic Family + Maryann Wilson + Marcello Amatucci + Bryce Papson + Ronald Swick + Angelo Gennaccaro + Nicolo Tinebra	5:30PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16 + Giovanna Lo Presti	9:00AM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 16 - Mass for the Parishioners	11:00AM

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Over the past couple of weeks I have continued to learn about the activities of the parish as we plan for the Fall. I have met with parish organizations like the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Women's League, and the Bazaar Committee. I have also continued to make some progress dealing with water issues in the church and the hall.

In my homily for the Eighteen Sunday of Ordinary Time (the audio recording can be found at the parish Web site) I talked about the need to reach out to our youth and young adults. Out of compassion for our young people, I invited Wes Moga (our Youth Minister), Joshua Osaria-Bote (our Seminarian) and Father Gregory Merkley, the Pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, to meet and talk about collaboration in teen ministry. Since youth from both our parishes attend Saint John Henry Newman Catholic Secondary School, we decided to combine our efforts. We also decided that it would be good to offer our youth monthly events that would alternate between the parishes.

Father Greg had already invited some high school students to meet with him and form a leadership team. They are planning to hold a gathering for teens at IHM on Thursday, September 24th. We are now planning to hold a gathering at St.FX on Saturday, October 24th. In the meantime, we are planning to meet with the leadership team and ask them what they would like to see at future events. The idea is that there will be one leadership team for both parishes. It is important that the youth be involved in the planning and take ownership of these events, both for the sake of promotion but also for the sake of subsidiarity, whereby the youth take responsibility for what they are able to do at their level. I'm grateful to Father Greg for his willingness and openness to collaborate in this important ministry.

Please pray for our youth, for the leadership team, and for the fruitfulness of these joint parish events. If you are a young person and would like to get involved, please reach out to me through the parish office. Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us. Saint Francis Xavier, pray for us.

God bless,
Father Mark

OFFERTORY

Envelope Contributions	\$ 4,422.00
Loose Collection	\$ 695.45
Online Donations	\$ 1,237.53
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$ 6,354.98

Thank You!

AUGUST 8 & 9, 2026

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, AUGUST 10—ST. LAWRENCE

2 Corinthians 9.6-10; Psalm 112.1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9;
John 12.24-26

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11—ST. CLARE

Ezekiel 2.8—3.4; Psalm 119.14+24, 72+103, 111+131;
Matthew 18.1-5, 10, 12-14

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

Ezekiel 9.1-7; 10.18-22; Psalm 113.1-2, 3-4, 5-6;
Matthew 18.15-20

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

Ezekiel 12.1-16; Psalm 78.56-57, 58-59, 61-62;
Matthew 18.21—19.1

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14—ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

Ezekiel 16.1-15, 60, 63; Isaiah 12.2, 3+4, 4-6;
Matthew 19.3-12

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15—ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Revelation 11.19; 12.1-6, 10; Psalm 45.9-10, 11+12-14, 15;
1 Corinthians 15.20-26; Luke 1.39-56

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

Isaiah 56.1, 6-7; Psalm 67.1-2, 4-5, 6-7;
Romans 11.13-15, 29-32; Matthew 15.21-28

REMINDER!

This is a reminder that the Service Camp begins on Monday August 10th. Drop off time will be 9:00am at the Parish Centre.

Look forward to seeing all of you!

HOUSEKEEPER/COOK JOB OPENING

If you or someone you know would be interested in applying for the Housekeeper/Cook position for our parish, please visit the diocesan Web site for more details:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/job-opportunities/>

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Monday - 10th	9:00 am - Service Camp
Tuesday - 11th	8:00 am - Mass 9:00 am - Service Camp
Wednesday - 12th	8:00 am - Mass 9:00 am - Service Camp 7:00 pm - Mass
Thursday - 13th	8:00 am - Mass 9:00 am - Service Camp
Friday - 14th	8:00 am - Mass 8:30 am - Adoration 9:00 am - Service Camp
Saturday - 15th	8:00 am - Mass 4:30 pm - Confessions 5:30 pm - Mass
Sunday - 16th	9:00 am - Mass 11:00 am - Mass

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	St. Lawrence, Deacon
Tuesday	Rev. Dirk Dunfee, S.J.
Wednesday	Ursuline Sisters, o.s.u.
Thursday	Rev. Eric Jensen, S.J.
Friday	Rev. Franjo Sprajc
Saturday	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS FOR THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Please note that there will be a mass celebrated on **Saturday August 15th at 8am** for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Everyone is welcome!



**HEARING A CALL TO A VOCATION
TO SERVE THE CHURCH?**

Contact Rev. John Ha at:

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

CWL RETREAT WEEKEND “LIVING AS WOMEN OF HOPE” Save the Date!

All women, 18 years or older, are warmly invited to join us for a weekend of faith, friendship, reflection and renewal as we explore what it means to live as women of hope in today's world.

DATE: Friday October 2 – Sunday October 4
LOCATION: Mt. Carmel Spiritual Centre
7020 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls
PRICE: 2 nights & 6 meals: \$300 for members, \$320 for non-members

Options are available if you wish to attend a portion of the weekend.

Please contact Carol at 905-643-3532 if you are interested in attending or would like more information.

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him.” Romans 15:13

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Contact for more information

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call the parish office @ 905-662-8593

FAITH AND FLAVOURS PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

November 3-14, 2026

There are still some spaces available for a faith and flavour filled pilgrimage to Italy from November 3-14, 2026. Visits include Siena, Assisi, Monte Cassino, and Rome among others over an enjoyable ten day pilgrimage. The cost of \$7,995.00 per person includes airfare, hotels, ground transportation, all admission fees, most meals, and the services of an expert English speaking guide. Fr. Ian Duffy will be the spiritual director of this pilgrimage leading us in prayer in the footsteps of St. Catherine of Siena, Saints Francis and Clare, Saints Benedict and Scholastica, Saints Peter and Paul, and many more. Additionally this adventure will include wine tasting, pasta making, and enjoying the gastronomy of various parts of Italy.

To register or for more information please call Edgar at 1-800-268-0900 ext. 233, or e-mail edgar@gateways-international.com.

Final numbers are needed in September so register soon.



ADVERTISERS NEEDED

Our bulletin advertising pages are being prepared for the upcoming year beginning August 30/31. We are in the process of reaching out to our current advertisers so watch your mail. If you are not yet an advertiser and would like more information please contact the parish office at (905-662-8593) by **August 18**.

SERVICE CAMP CAR WASH

This coming week, a group of students in Grades 7-9 will be taking part in our parish's annual Service Camp. They will spend the week completing several projects to assist organizations that support individuals and families who are suffering from various forms of injustice in Hamilton, Canada, and beyond. One of these projects will be a fundraiser car wash in the parish's main parking lot on Thursday, August 13 from 10:00AM-12:30PM. Suggested donation is \$5.00-\$10.00/vehicle. We would love to see you there and would greatly appreciate your support of our young people's efforts to make a difference in the lives of others!

NOVENA TO ST. HELENA

Start Date: August 9
Feast Date: August 18

Holy and blessed St Helena, with the anguish and devotion with which you sought the Cross of Christ, I plead that you give me God's grace to suffer in patience the labors of this life, so that through them and through your intercession and protection, I will be able to seek and carry the cross which God has placed upon me, so that I can serve Him in this life and enjoy His Glory ever after. Amen.

O my God, my Savior and Glorifier, You were such a generous benefactor on the Holy Wood of the Cross, where you spilled Your Precious Blood for my salvation. Pour upon my soul, at the hour of my death, but a drop of Your Blood so that I die in Your grace and then, assisted by the intercession of my protector and advocate Saint Helena, grant to me what I now ask You for in this prayer (mention request here...), if it be expedient for Your honor and glory and for the benefit of my soul. Amen.

Saint Helena, who upon opening your mind and heart to the light of the Gospel and upon finding the wood of the true Cross was converted into the model of all the Christian virtues, help us to break the attachments of sin, and to return to the arms of God our Father. You found the treasure that the Gospel tells us about, since you found the Cross of Christ. May we also find that treasure, Christ living within us. Amen.

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO!

Friday October 23rd, 2026

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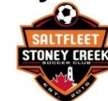
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