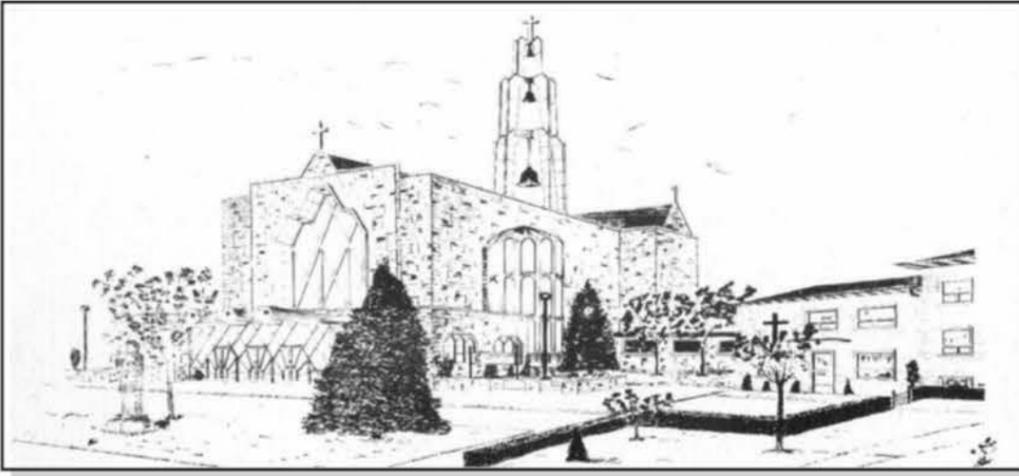


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 Forms are located at the entrances of the church or simply call the parish office to register.

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**WELCOME**  
 A warm welcome to all visitors who are with us today. May the Lord bless you!

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Dates	Time	Mass Intentions and Celebrations	Prayer Calendar
<b>Monday, June 10</b> 2 Corinthians 1.1-7 Matthew 5.1-12 <b>Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, (M)</b>	7:30 am	† Angelo Giglia	Rev. Francis Trzupek
<b>Tuesday, June 11</b> Acts 11.21-26; 13.1-3 Matthew 10.7-13 <b>St. Barnabas, (M)</b>	7:30 am	† Mijo Cagalj	Rev. Mike Myroniuk
<b>Wednesday, June 12</b> 2 Corinthians 3.4-11 Matthew 5.17-19	7:30 am 6-6:45 pm 7:00 pm	† Ana & Joao Pavao <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> † William Colterman † Sergio Scattolon † Fr. Roger Formosi † Luigi Cavallaro † John Pinto † Cathy Skibinski † Salvatore Curto	Sisters of Social Services
<b>Thursday, June 13</b> 2 Corinthians 3.15-4.1, 3-6 Matthew 5.20-26 <b>St. Anthony of Padua, (M)</b>	7:30 am 10:30 am 11:30 am	In Thanksgiving to St. Anthony <b>Mass at Clarion Nursing Home - Domenic Sorbara</b> End of school year Mass with <b>St. Martin of Tours School</b>	Rev. Robert Dunn
<b>Friday, June 14</b> 2 Corinthians 4.7-15 Matthew 5.27-32	7:30 am 8-9 am 9:30 am 5-7 pm	† Giovina, Lindia & Berardino Leone <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, (Benediction at 9 am)</b> End of school year Mass with <b>Our Lady of Peace School</b> <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, (Benediction at 7 pm)</b>	Rev. Paul Boucher
<b>Saturday, June 15</b> 2 Corinthians 5.14-21 Matthew 5.33-37  <b>Our Lady's Saturday</b>	8:30 am 4-5 pm 5:30 pm	† Joe Molinaro <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> † Virginia Allega-DiSanza † Stefano Fortunato † Giuseppina Fuca † Carmine Colalillo † Raffaele Mascia † Anthony Rullo † Cathy Anne Susla Skibinski † Michele, Maria & Frank Bozzo † Sergio Scattolon † Margaret Rebellati † Giuseppe Desimone † Carmelo Giudice † Luigi & Antonio Giammarco & Ignazio Cuti † Tarcisio Reginato † Mauro DiGiovanni † Vincenzo Cino † Maria Giusti, Intentions for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul	Rev. Msgr. Victor McNamara
<b>Sunday, June 16</b> Proverbs 8.22-31 Romans 5.1-5 John 16.12-15	9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	† Oreste & Dina DiLeonardo † Giuseppe Varrasso † Emanuele Centofanti	

*"Love Our Lady, and she will obtain abundant grace to help you conquer in your daily struggle."  
St. Josemaria Escriva*

If you are visiting our community this Sunday, St. Francis Xavier Parish welcomes you!

**Baby Bottle Campaign**

A reminder that **NEXT SUNDAY**, Father's Day, you are asked to return your Hamilton Right to Life Baby Bottles you received on Mother's Day... Thanking you in advance for your continued generosity.



**"Time to Say Goodbye"**

Fr. Francesco is leaving us to embrace his new priestly responsibility as the pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Hamilton. We wish him well in his new posting and hope to see him here on various occasions, especially when he comes back to Stoney Creek for good local espresso. We will have a goodbye gathering for him after the 5:30pm, 9:00am, and 11:00am Masses on the weekend of **June 22/23** in the Parish Centre.

**Questions of the Week**

**Theme:** God's breath – the Holy Spirit – gives us true life and peace  
**Question for Children:** Jesus tells us that we need to forgive to have peace. Name one way that you can forgive a friend or classmate.  
**Question for Youth:** St. Paul tells us that we all have unique gifts for the good of others. What is special about you? How can you use those gifts to help others – friends, family, strangers?  
**Question for Adults:** Even as working disciples of Christ, we are given the gift of peace. How do you experience this gift, and how do you share it with others?

**Sisters of St. Elisabeth Visit**

Dear Parishioners of St. Francis Xavier, We are delighted to invite you to see and purchase handmade religious articles made by the Sisters of St. Elisabeth Convent (Belarus). **The exposition will take place on June 12, Wednesday after 7:30am & 7pm Masses.**

The Sisterhood of Saint Elisabeth was founded in 1996. For more than 20 years our sisters have been rendering spiritual, social and financial support to the sick and the suffering at the National Psychiatric Clinic, the boarding home for children with special needs and mentally challenged adults, a TB clinic.

In recent years a rehabilitation center for the homeless, drug and alcohol addicts, ex-prisoners was established 20 miles away from the Convent. Over 180 residents live here today. Many lost and struggling people get a chance to tackle their problems and start a new life with God. A rehabilitation facility for females was established in 2012. Women released from jail, the homeless and mentally challenged women stay there. Today there are 30 women and one toddler in this farmstead. To help these people workshops were established on the grounds of the Convent. Many of these sick people have a possibility to express themselves in art for God working together with sisters and making beautiful articles (hand painted icons, crosses, crucifixes, woodcarvings, embroidered and ceramic gifts, vestments). All these goods are made with love and prayer and bring blessing to home. You will support many people in need by purchasing items of devotions for yourselves and your beloved ones.

With love in Christ, Sisters of St. Elisabeth

**Sacrament of Confirmation**

Is your child in Grade 6? Did you know we celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation in Grade 7 in the Diocese of Hamilton? Confirmations at our Parish are normally celebrated in the Fall of each year. **If your child does not attend Catholic School**, please contact the Parish office as soon as possible so we can assist you. **The Catechetical Correspondence Courses from the Diocese of Hamilton** may be right for you. For information visit: [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) or call Monica Verin at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

**"Cura Pastorum" Association**

We are grateful for the ministry of our Priests in the Parishes of the Diocese of Hamilton. Many of our retired Priests continue to be active by providing needed assistance to our Pastors around the Diocese. Others, due to limitations of age or health, are unable to be active, but continue to offer a Priestly witness and prayerful support for God's people. The first annual special collection for the "Cura Pastorum" Association is taken up in all Parishes in the Diocese of Hamilton this **Sunday, June 9**. Offering envelopes have been provided in the offertory boxes. Bishop Crosby has authorized this annual collection. Thank you to all our parishioners for your generous financial and prayerful support for all priests working in our Diocese.

**Lighthouse CD of the Month  
Suffering & the Love of God**

Fr. Robert Spitzer, SJ Why would an all-powerful, all-loving God allow suffering and evil in the world? As Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D. explains, unsatisfying answers to this important question are the #1 reason for atheism today. But by answering this question with logic and love (as well as with scientific, peer-reviewed evidence for the existence of life after death), we can not only answer this question truthfully and satisfactorily, but also teach our fellow Christians how to suffer well, in preparation for the limitless love of God that awaits us in eternity. This CD and many others are available in the Lighthouse Media kiosk in the Narthex.



**Knights of Columbus Annual Garage Sale**

A sincere **THANKYOU** from the Knights is extended to the generous parishioners for all of your donations gifted towards our charity sale event. The donation of items greatly exceeded the Knight's expectations.

**Greif Journey Retreat**

The Retreat is for those who have experienced loss from death/separation/divorce and transition. This event starts at **7 pm. on Friday June 14th, until 9 pm. and then on Saturday June 15, and concludes on Sunday, June 16th at 12 pm.** Cost is \$250 which includes two overnight stays at Mount Carmel in a private room with private bath and five buffet meals and access to the whole building. For more information or registering please contact Joyce at Mount Carmel - 905-356-4113.

**Online Offerings**

When you haven't been able to attend Mass on a particular Sunday, you can now go to our Web site and make an online offering using your credit card. You can also setup automatic monthly donations in place of weekly offering envelopes. Check our website for info.

**Italian Language Classes**

will be held at St. James the Apostle School, 29 John Murray St., Stoney Creek, for students JK to Gr. 8 from Monday to Friday, 9 am to 11:30 am for the month of July. Registrations will begin on Tuesday, July 2. Call 905-527-3400 for more information.

**From the Pastor's messy Desk**

"At the Last Supper, on the night he was betrayed, our Savior instituted the Eucharistic sacrifice of his Body and Blood. This he did in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the cross throughout the ages until he should come again, and so to entrust to his beloved Spouse, the Church, a memorial of his death and resurrection: a sacrament of love, a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a Paschal banquet in which Christ is consumed, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us" (CCC 1323). I wish to congratulate all the students who received their First Holy Communion here at St. Francis Xavier Parish during the past few weeks. I am very happy to see so many young boys and girls from our 5 schools receive this wonderful gift of Christ's Body and Blood so that they may know how much our Lord desires to be united to each one of us and give us His grace to sustain us on this life journey. I am hoping that parents will make every effort possible to help their children come to Christ at the celebration of Sunday Mass. May we all remember these students and their families in our prayers as they continue to be nourished and strengthened in their relationship with God through the Sacrament of the Eucharist. And as promised, I have another new video recommendation for you. I continue to go for runs on my treadmill whenever time permits and as I run, I like to watch materials that are really inspirational and that beautifully explain the most challenging teachings of our Catholic faith. This week I would like to invite all to watch this video from Fr. Mike Schmitz: **"Do Catholics Worship Saints?"** "Father Mike Schmitz wants to address some confusion regarding Catholics' veneration of saints. In this video, he explains how - far from idolatry or paganism - statues, paintings, and icons of the saints are reminders of what God can do in someone's life. Therefore, honoring the saints doesn't take away from the glory we give God. It actually brings him greater glory." If you are currently reading the parish bulletin on our website, then just click on the link attached here to be redirected to the video or copy and paste this link into your web browser: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3K9yGNPaIC>

Fr. Marisz

**Upcoming Events**

June 14 – 7:00 pm –SFX Card Club – GH/SMR

**Thank you to all who support our Parish with their financial offerings – your contributions assist in the spiritual, pastoral and practical work of the Parish and the upkeep of St. Francis Xavier Church.**

**Mary, Mother of The Church**



Join us at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for 12 Noon Mass on **Monday, June 10**, for the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church. This feast which Pope Francis instituted last year is celebrated annually on the Monday after Pentecost. It recalls the title given to Our Lady by Pope St. Paul VI during the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965). In the Council document, *Lumen Gentium* (Constitution of the Church), the Blessed Mother is spoken of in the final chapter. She is described as the first disciple of the Lord, and mother of the Church. The teaching of the Council echoes the long held Catholic belief about Mary, the Virgin Mother of the Lord Jesus. On the Cross the Lord entrusted the care of his mother to St. John, and entrusted him – and through him all believers – to Mary's maternal care.



**What do I Have to do to become Catholic?**

Have you or anyone you know thought about becoming Catholic? The **R.C.I.A.** (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) is a process designed for people to explore the Catholic Faith and prepare for the reception of Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. In the fall we will begin another group here at St. Francis Parish. For more information about this program, call the Parish Office at **905-662-8593**.

**Upcoming Weddings**

There is a promise of Marriage between:  
**Charlie Sardo & Melissa Yazbeck**

**Parish Pictorial Directory**

It is our hope to update our Parish Directory and feel that a photo directory of all our church families would be an invaluable reference in creating a sense of community. We are looking for volunteers willing to coordinate and assist in this endeavor. If you feel that you can contribute your time and talents toward this project please contact the parish office at 905-662-8593. Inserts with more information is included in this week's bulletin. Thank you for your consideration!

**Congratulations!**

- 50th Wedding Anniversary**  
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