

Dates	Time	Mass Intentions and Celebrations	Prayer Calendar
Monday, August 19 Judges 2.11-19 Matthew 19.16-22 St. John Eudes, (OM)	7:30 am	Special Intentions for David Ballok	Rev. Jarek Pachocki
Tuesday, August 20 Judges 6.11-24a Matthew 19.23-30 St. Bernard, (Memorial)	7:30 am	† Gaspero & Gina Diadamo	Rev. Aurimas Rudinskas
Wednesday, August 21 Judges 9.6-15 Matthew 20.1-16a St. Pius X, (Memorial)	7:30 am 6-6:45pm 7:00 pm	† Holy Souls in Purgatory Sacrament of Reconciliation † Mario Colilli † Teresa Sellaro † Antonio & Rinaldo D'Amico † Virginia Martinello † Filippo Luzi † Luigi Giammarco † Battista Nardini † Giovanna Lo Presti † Pasquale Verticchio † Stan & Marta Maraszkiwicz † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Maria, Michele & Frank Bozzo † Wojciech Jamny	Permanent Deacons
Thursday, August 22 Judges 11.29-39a Matthew 22.1-14 Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, (Memorial)	7:30 am	† Maria Ennett	Rev. Adam Voisin
Friday, August 23 Ruth 1.1-2ab, 3-6, 14b-16, 22 Matthew 22.34-40 St. Rose of Lima, (OM)	7:30 am 8-9 am	† Pietro & Rosa Genua Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, (Benediction at 9 am)	Rev. Charles Jordan
Saturday, August 24 Revelation 21.9b-14 John 1.45-51 St. Bartholomew, (Feast)	8:30 am 4-5 pm 5:30 pm	† Cordone Family Sacrament of Reconciliation † Robert D'Agostino † Fabio Pettorossi † Noleen McCrohan † John Agnoletto † Mario DiVittorio † Franco Graziani † Ferdinando Zanin † Giovanna LoPresti † Angelo Sferrazza † Giuliana Ballarano † Santo La Bella † Roger Brum † Assunta Melone † Salvatore Liota † Filippo Luzi † Stella Gaziani † Rosa Zanon, † Wojciech Jamny Sp. Intentions of Marie Joun, Sp. Intentions for Kathryn Arnott	Rev. David Wilhelm
Sunday, August 25 Isaiah 66.18-21 Hebrews 12.5-7, 11-13 Luke 13.22-30	9:00 am 11:00 am	† Raffaele, Vittoria & Antonina Valenzisi † Quintino Corsini	

*"If God sends you many sufferings, it is a sign that he has great plans for you and certainly wants to make you a saint."
St. Ignatius of Loyola*

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

Stress in Your Marriage? – Are you feeling bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in your marriage? Are you wondering how to change the situation, or how to communicate with your spouse about it? Retrouvaille is a program designed to help with any problem in a marriage – large or small. Retrouvaille can help- our next weekend program is being held **October 25**. For confidential information about the program, or to register please call 905-664-5212 or email: Teamrecine@gmail.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

C. W. L. Annual Retreat
Ladies – are you interested in a relaxing, faith-filled weekend away? The annual CWL Retreat takes place at Mt. Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7021 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls, **September 13 - 15**. Our theme this year is **"Heroines of the Bible"** - in many cases it's women just like us who made a difference. Cost is **\$235** for the entire weekend, but can be adjusted if you are only able to attend a portion of the retreat. All women are welcome. For more information or to reserve a place, please call **Carol, 905-643-3532**, or the Parish Office, 905-662-8593.

Questions of the Week
Theme: God's power among us gives us strength. **Question for Children:** What is one way you can be closer to Jesus today? **Question for Youth:** We are assured that God will be with us as we go through life, so what strategy do you use to keep God in mind as you deal with the ups and downs of life as a young adult? **Question for Adults:** We are assured that God will be with us as we go through life, so what strategy do you use to keep God in mind as you deal with the ups and downs of life as a young adult?

Are you or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? Are you a Catholic who has not received First Eucharist and /or Confirmation, or do you know someone who is a Catholic but has not received these Sacraments? Then maybe the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the place for you or them. The RCIA is a series of instructions, faith development and rituals designed to help adults and older children become full members of the Catholic Church. Classes run from September until April. Please contact the parish office at 905 662-8593 for more information.



Lighthouse CD of the Month
A Catholic Millennial's Guide to Adulting
The Millennial Generation has grown to adulthood. Having experienced many of the conveniences and pitfalls of new technologies, social media, student loan debt, and adult life, millennials have also developed a genuine desire to do something great with their lives, but often don't know how to get there. As fellow millennial Paul J. Kim shares with great humor and insight, tackling life's big challenges and desires for vocation, career, and greatness can give powerful witness to God and the gift of life. This CD and many others are available in the Lighthouse Media kiosk in the Narthex.

EPIC
This is our story. This is our family.
Our identity as Catholics means that we are the inheritors of the deeds of holy men and women who for two thousand years have built a great civilization and spread the gospel throughout the world. Church history is not just the recitation of popes, people, places, and events; it is a story of adventure, intrigue, rebellion, reform, and devotion. This story is our story; this is our family. If we know our past and how we fit into the story, we will be better prepared to face whatever may come in the future. **Beginning September 17** we will be offering a study of our Catholic Church history called **EPIC**. Stay tuned!

"Grandparents: Silver Saints"
Come for a celebration of Grandparents in time for National Grandparents Day on **Saturday, September 7**, 9 am – 1 pm at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. The Day begins with a Mass of Thanksgiving for Grandparents followed by hospitality and presentation by Br. Mickey McGrath. There is no fee to attend but an RSVP will help in the planning. Register by contacting Monica at mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2238.

Learning To Cope (Level 1)
is a ten week support program starting Tuesday, September 24th (7 pm to 9:30 pm), at the Chancery Office, 700 King W. The program is for persons experiencing difficulties as a result of a separation or divorce. For more information or to register, contact the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249, or online at hamiltondiocese.com/offices/familyministry/divorce/separation.php. Cost: **\$35**. Past participants are welcome to inquire about further Levels programs (Level 2, & 3) starting the same week.

"Keys to Loving Relationships"
"Keys" is a ten week video-based program meant for anyone (married or single) who is looking to develop the skills needed to have the most meaningful relationship you can with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program runs in **Hamilton** on Thursday evenings from 7pm to 9 pm. September 19th – November 28th, at the Chancery Office, 700 King W. Cost: **\$45**. For more information or to register, call (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or register at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Fostering & Adoption Opportunities
Catholic Children's Aid Society, learn more about Fostering and Adoption by registering to attend a Fostering and Adoption Online Information Session (Webinar), August 27th, 6:30 pm - 8 pm. Contact the Foster and Adoption Recruitment Coordinator, Niamh O'Flaherty (905) 525-2273, niamh.oflaherty@hamiltonccas.on.ca. The Hamilton CCAS is committed to inclusion & equality, & welcome fostering applications from ALL families who want to provide a safe & happy home to a child in care. Visit hamiltonccas.on.ca

Healing After an Abortion: It Is Possible
Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. At Project Rachel we offer a confidential service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

"Evangelization by Way of Beauty"
An evening with Brother Mickey McGrath, **Friday, September 6**, at 7pm. at Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph. Brother Mickey loves giving talks and retreats because it is where he gets to share more fully the deep connections between art and faith and more importantly, hope and joy! To him, life is all about seeing familiar, ordinary things with new eyes, the eyes of the heart. Come and see this gifted artist and story teller as he helps us to identify the beauty that abounds in our lives. *Faith resources available for purchase.*

BR 1978 Grad Reunion Committee
Come to our 40 +1 year reunion on Friday September 6, at 7pm at the Powerhouse in Stoney Creek. Tickets, **\$10**, can be purchased at the door. Munchies will be provided. Cash bar. Info on Facebook and BR website.

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

Parish Office
Our Parish Office hours in for the month of August are from **9 am till 4 pm**, Monday to Friday. Come and see us.



is here next weekend! Enjoy the last of the summer fairs and craft shows for the area before the Fall Fair's begin. Our Knights of Columbus 7969 will be at the Peach Festival with their booth serving Pizza, Porchetta, Hot Beef on a Bun, chocolate, strawberry and vanilla shakes, Loganberry Juice, and coke products. Please take the time to visit their booth and support the Knights of our parish.

Congratulations!
50th Wedding Anniversary
Antonio & Angela Ciccone

The Queenship of Mary



A Marian feast day in the liturgical calendar of the Roman Catholic Church, created by Pope Pius XII. On October 11, 1954, the pontiff pronounced the new feast in his encyclical Ad caeli reginam. Mary's Queenship is a share in Jesus' Kingship. Mary is viewed as the woman clothed with the sun in the Book of Revelation 12:1-3: "A great and wondrous sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head."

St. Michael the Archangel group in St. Francis Xavier Parish
Salutes Festitalia (Hamilton). Join us **Saturday, September 14**, here at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall for a dinner/dance with music by Angelo Venditi. Tickets are **\$40** pp. and available at the parish office.