

Dates	Time	Mass Intentions and Celebrations	Prayer Calendar
MONDAY, October 15 Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5.1 Luke 11:29-32 St. Teresa of Jesus, (M)	7:30 am	† Holy Souls in Purgatory	Rev. James Link
TUESDAY, October 16 Galatians 5:1-6 Luke 11:37-41 St. Marguerite D'youville, (M)	7:30 am	† Tony Loreto	Rev. Heitor Antunes
WEDNESDAY, October 17 Galatians 5:18-25 Luke 11:42-46 St. Ignatius of Antioch, (Memorial)	7:30 am 6-6:45pm 7:00 pm	Intentions of Elizabeth & Keith Cassidy Sacrament of Reconciliation † Giovanni DiDiomedea † John Dietrich Sr. † Catherine Hannon † Connie Stagnitta † Achille Luison † Antonio Bozzo † Pietro Cantone † Efthymios Tolis † Sola Mira † Veronica DeSchryver † James Lee McCaskill † Branko Dragojlovich † Emmy Roblis † Pat Laurette † Zofia Wegiel † Fabio Pettorossi † Sam Gatto † Assunta & Giovanni Mastella † Charlie & Francesco DiTrapani † Salvatore Cino	Permanent Deacons
THURSDAY, October 18 2 Timothy 4:9-17a Luke 10:1-9 St. Luke, (Feast)	7:30 am 11:00 am	† Joseph Pathil Mass at New Village Retirement Home - In Thanksgiving to St. Michael	Rev. Jiri Macenauer
FRIDAY, October 19 Ephesians 1:11-14 Luke 12:1-7 St. Paul of the Cross, (OM)	7:30 am 8 - 9 am 5 - 7 pm	† Sonya Rosmus Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament , in the Church (Benediction at 9 am) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament , in the Church (Benediction at 7 pm)	Rev. Aurimas Rudinskas
SATURDAY, October 20 Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 12:8-12 St Hedwig, (OM) St Margaret Mary Alaco, (OM)	8:30 am 4 - 5 pm 5:30 pm	† Emilio Ventresca Sacrament of Reconciliation † Vinenza Cesarini † Antonio Sansalone † Karen DiClemente † Chacko Pathil † Valentino DeBellis † Giulio Biagetti † Gabriella Vacca † Giuseppina Fuca † Pietro DiBussolo † Elizabetta Villella † Angela Corsi † Sam Gatto † Rosa Zanon † Ernesto Raniero † Frank Bozzo † Draga Boich † Gilda Petrella † Achille Luison † Fabio Pettorossi † Martin Thien Phu Nguyen † Alfredo & Vittoria Corsi	Rev. Wallace Metcalf
SUNDAY, October 21 Isaiah 53:10-11 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-4	9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	† Pietro DiPietro, Jr. † Holy Souls in Purgatory † Giuseppe, Chiara, & Giovanni D'Ambrosio	

"Since it is likely that children will meet cruel enemies, let them at least have heard of brave knights and heroic courage."
C.S. Lewis

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

Update on the Marian Prayer Garden

Thank you to all who have ordered a brick paver this year. Unfortunately we had a slight setback with our original engraver. We have located a new engraver closer to home and will be sending in orders as soon as possible. Also if you donated \$250 or more to our Parish Renovation Debt fund, your brick will be ordered as well. Thank you for your patience and contributions!

St. Vincent De Paul, Charity Chili Dinner

St. Francis Xavier SVDP Conference invites you: Come out and enjoy a wonderful home cooked chili dinner on Thursday, **October 18th**, 4-7 pm in the Parish Hall. Only **\$5 per bowl**. Eat-in or Take-out.

Thank you for helping us serve in hope.

Gala St. Francis Xavier Dinner

In honour of our Patron Saint. **Saturday, November 24th**, St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall. Cocktails at 6:30 pm., Dinner at 7 pm. Adults - **\$45**; Children, 4-12, **\$25**. Includes wine with dinner. Adult tickets include \$2 (from each ticket sold) towards the First Door Prize). **Limited seating available**. No ticket sales after Monday, November 19th. Contact the Parish Office, Ugo Pin, 905-643-3532 or Edy D'Alessandro, 905-662-5767 for more information or tickets.

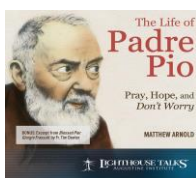
Pocket Change for Change

Did you know that our Parish community sponsors 10 needy children from the Philippines, Cameroon, Chile, Kenya, India, & Haiti? **Chalice** has provided us with a large donation can which is placed at the front of the church each weekend during Mass. For the last 8 years we have used the coins placed in this can to change the lives of 10 children and their families. Thank you all for your generous support of the Pocket Change for Change program!

Right to Life Fundraising Dinner

The annual Hamilton Right to Life Fundraising Dinner is coming up on Wednesday, **October 17th** at 6:30 pm. If you are interested in attending and supporting the pro-life cause, please speak with Jordan Lenjosek to purchase a ticket! Tickets are **\$38** each. If you can't make it out, all donations are greatly appreciated.

Lighthouse Media CD of the Month

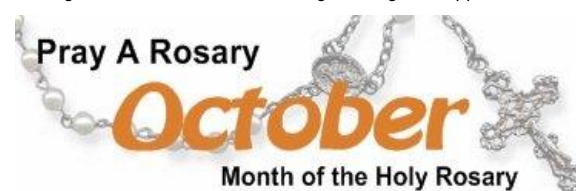


Matthew Arnold recounts the life story of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, a twentieth century saint and mystic who is known around the world as Padre Pio. This presentation includes fascinating details about St. Pio's ministry of hearing confessions, his ability to read souls, the multitude of miracles

attributed to his intercession, and how he bore the stigmata, that is, the wounds of Christ. All are wise to learn from the advice of this holy man to *"pray, hope, and don't worry"*. This CD and many others are available in the Lighthouse Catholic Media kiosk that is located in the Narthex (lobby) of our Church by the library.

Afternoon in Roma

Join us for our OWN **Afternoon in Roma** - a wonderful catered 5-course Italian luncheon and special presentation taking place on **Sunday, October 28th**. at **12:30 p.m.** Tickets are **\$25 p.p.** at Parish Office on a first come, first served basis. **No reservations**. Don't miss this opportunity to hear from the participants about their experience in Rome. All proceeds will go towards the parish renovation debt. Beginning at the luncheon, we will be selling imported and hand designed Pope Francis bells, directly from Italy. Father Francesco created these bells when Pope Francis was elected. The material used is bronze and zama and is only sold in Vatican City. This will be the one and only time you will have the opportunity to purchase an official product from the Vatican. Each bell costs only **\$15** and is gift boxed with a different image. After the luncheon the bells will be sold at the Fall Fair and through the Parish Office. Thank you for your support!



St. Francis Xavier Fall Fair...

Update for the Fall Fair: just a reminder we will be offering the fall fair over 2 days, the morning of Nov 3rd will have the food court, book nook, penny sale tables, vendors and baked goods. Following the Sat. evening Mass and morning Masses, there will be a book nook, penny sale tables, and baked goods only. The draw will be held at 12:45 pm for the penny sale tables. As in past years, we are looking for donations for our book nook and penny/raffle tables. If you have anything you wish to donate, please bring to the Parish Office or leave in the Narthex marked "Fall Fair" Thank you for your support! We hope to see you all on Nov. 3rd. Drop off your items to the Parish Office **no later than Friday, October 26th**. Baked goods can be dropped off Friday, November 2nd. Contact **Luisa Conti** at **905-379-9830**. Money raised from the fall fair will support the needs of our parish.

Diocesan Marriage Tribunal

Bishop Crosby, OMI, has invited the Canadian Canon Law Society to the Diocese of Hamilton for its 53rd Annual Convention. Canon Lawyers serve the Church in Bishops' offices, marriage tribunals, seminaries, universities and religious orders. They are Priests and lay people, women and men. Most of the Canon Lawyers in Canada will attend this convention in Hamilton. The high point of this convention will be the celebration of the Eucharist at **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 24, 2018** at the historic **St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral Church**, 145 Park Street North, Hamilton. All are invited to come and support these women and men who most often serve the Church behind the scenes!

SSVP Next to New Stores

If you wish to share your cheerful, positive personality as a sorter, displayer, pricer, cashier or floor assistant in our stores, please

consider volunteering. By donating your time, material and financial support, you help your neighbours in need with living expenses and other challenges they face daily. God richly rewards us through the fellowship and laughter of working with our customers, clients and other store personnel. Please consider becoming an important part of our stores ministry. **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** If you or someone you know can spare a few hours a week, contact John at 905-549-3902 or ssvphamilton@gmail.com.

Questions of the Week

Theme: We are Eucharistic people. We live in praise and thanksgiving

Question for Children: Make up a prayer which tells God you are thankful for everything you have, even if it's not all you want.

Question for Youth: Only one of the lepers returned to give thanks. This past week, when have you stopped to thank someone for something good they have done for you? When have you thanked God this week?

Question for Adults: What are some ways you can think of to show gratitude to God? Make them concrete and real.

Parent Conference 2018

Our Annual Parent Conference will be taking place on Saturday Nov. 3. All parents are invited to attend this year's conference and workshop with "Weaving the Catholic Partnership" being the theme, at Bishop Ryan Secondary School from 7:45 - 2 pm. Lunch will be provided. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Crosby. Visit hwcdsb.ca for more information or to register.

Support for Persons Separated or Divorced

Would it help you to have people around you to understand what you're going through? Would you like to hear some ideas that will encourage you and help you to develop new ways of coping with the stresses in your life? The Hamilton Diocesan Support Group meets the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. No need to register; just come and join us at the Chancery Office, Hamilton from 7 - 9 p.m. For more information call the Family Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. There is NO COST.

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 15 - 9:30 am - Mother Load - Small Meeting Room
- Oct. 15 - 7:00 pm - Quest & Epic Youth Groups - GH & CH
- Oct. 15 - 7:30 pm - Mother Load - SMR
- Oct. 16 - 7:00 pm - Bible Study - Chapel Hall
- Oct. 17 - 6:45 pm - Baptism Preparation Mtg. - SMR
- Oct. 17 - 7:00 pm - CWL Executive Mtg. - RCR
- Oct. 18 - 3:00 pm - Chili Dinner - Great Hall
- Oct. 18 - 7:00 pm - RCIA - Rectory Conference Room
- Oct. 19 - 7:00 pm - SFX Card Club - Great Hall
- Oct. 20 - 5:00 pm - Past Grand Knight Dinner - Great Hall
- Oct. 20 - 6:30 pm - Digging Deeper - ROR

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.

Deluxe Pancake Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus Council 7969 will be a sponsoring a Deluxe Pancake Breakfast after all morning Masses **this Sunday, October 14th**. The breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, hash browns, toast, coffee/tea, and juice. The breakfast will run from 9 am to 1 pm. **Adults-\$10, children (8 and under) - \$5**. Tickets can be purchased at the door of the Parish Centre, everyone is invited. All proceeds go to support the various Knights of Columbus charities.

Operation Christmas Child

Yes, it's that time again! Leaflets and unassembled shoeboxes will be available **October 14th** to take home. Take as many as you need. Give hope, cheer and good news to poor children in other lands this Christmas through this enormously successful program, operated by Samaritan's Purse. Fill the boxes according to instructions. Return them by **November 11th** so they can be shipped. Thank you for your kind generosity and compassion!!



White Ribbon Campaign

The Ladies of the Catholic Women's League will be distributing white ribbons before and after all Masses next weekend. Please take a white ribbon and wear it in order to heighten the awareness of the rampant spread of pornography, especially where children are concerned. Thank you for your participation.

Compassionate Outreach

Has someone you cared about died? Are you feeling emotional, grieving the loss of a person's presence in your life? Our compassionate outreach program can help. St. Francis Xavier and Immaculate Heart of Mary Parishes are hosting a Grief Support Program Thursday evenings from **October 25th, to November 29th, from 7:30 - 9 pm**. This program will be at **St Francis Xavier Parish** in the Small meeting room. If you or someone you know feel you can be helped by such a program we urge you to attend. To register or information, call 905 662-8593.