



Dates	Time	Mass Intentions and Celebrations	Prayer Calendar
<b>Monday, May 6</b> 2 Timothy 4.1-5 John 10.11-16 St. Francois de Laval, (M)	7:30 am	† Pierina Pin	Rev. Ed Henhoeffer
<b>Tuesday, May 7</b> Acts 7.51-8.1a John 6.30-35	7:30 am	Special Intention for Brenda Kunkel	Rev. Jean-Pierre
<b>Wednesday, May 8</b> Acts 8.1b-8 John 6.35-40 St. Catherine of St. Augustine, (OM)	7:30 am 6-6:45 pm 7:00 pm	† Holy Souls in Purgatory <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> † Renato DiCroce † Tarcisio Reginato † Berardino DiDiodato † Calogero Giglia † All Souls † Rosina Bozzo † † Redenta & Maddalena Reginato, Intentions of Giulia DiGiovanni	Our Parish Community
<b>Thursday, May 9</b> Acts 8.26-40 John 6.44-51	7:30 am 10:30 am	† Achille Luison <b>Mass at Clarion Nursing Home</b> – † Angelo Zingaro	Rev. Joseph Michel
<b>Friday, May 10</b> Acts 9.1-20 John 6.52-59	7:30 am 8-9 am 5-7 pm	Special Intentions for Claude & Carol Luscombe <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> , (Benediction at 9 am) <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</b> , (Benediction at 7 pm)	Rev. Francis Salasari
<b>Saturday, May 11</b> Acts 9.31-42 John 6.53, 60.69	8:30 am 4-5 pm 5:30 pm	† Gordon & Daisy Hopper <b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> † Virginia Allegra DiSanza † Martin Thien Phu Nguyen † Blaz Culig † Carmine Colalillo † Mario Granata † DiRenzo & D'Alesio Families † Aniela Stachurski † Giulio Biagetti † Luigi Gabriele † Daisy Funes † Fabio Pettorossi † Concezio Faiazza † Martin & Terezija Vincex † Napoleon Varela † Amalia & Daniel Aguilar † Rodolfo Pellizzari † Gregory & Laura DiPietro † Gabriel Kovacs & Anton Letnik † Francesca Bucalo & Costantino Giammarco † Rosaria lanetta Special Intentions for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul	Rev. Roshan Loy D'Souza
<b>Sunday, May 12</b> Acts 13.14, 43-52 John 10.27-30 Day of Prayer for Vocations	9:00 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	† Pierina & Albino DeFaveri † Maria Langeveld † Felice Prato & Gennaro DiMayo	

*"Mary can be said to continue to say to each individual the words which she spoke at Cana in Galilee: "Do whatever He tells you." St. Pope John Paul II*

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

**First Holy Communion Celebrations at St. Francis Xavier Church for:**  
St. Agnes: Saturday, May 18, at 11:00 am  
St. Francis Xavier: Sunday, May 26, at 1:30 pm  
St. Clare of Assisi: Saturday, June 1, at 2:00 pm  
Our Lady of Peace: Saturday, June 1, at 11:00 am  
Please keep the First Communicants in your prayers as they come to the table of the Lord for the first time.

**Annual Mass with New Catholics**  
Each year, the Bishop invites those who are baptized or received into the full communion of the Catholic Church to a celebration of the Eucharist at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, **Saturday, May 11, at 5 pm.** Everyone is invited to participate in this special liturgy as a visible sign of welcoming the newest members of Christ's Body.

**Mother's Day Weekend**  
Members of the CWL will be presenting flowers at the foot of the Holy Family statue at all Masses the weekend of May 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Rosette Sunday**  
Weekend of **May 11/12<sup>th</sup>** at each Mass members of the Knights of Columbus will be distributing rose appliques for a good will offering. All funds raised will go to local Pro-Life groups to assist them in their battle against abortion. **Help us save lives!**



**May Crowning**  
Saturday, **May 18<sup>th</sup>**, the CWL will be hosting the Crowning of Mary at 2 pm with reception following in the Chapel Hall. Mass. Both the indoor and outdoor statues will be crowned and everyone is invited to come and participate in this wonderful tribute to Our Blessed Mother. A reception will take place following the crowning in Chapel Hall.

**Welcome to the Newly Baptized**  
We welcome the following children to the household of faith through the waters of Baptism: Christian Chafe, Lauren Urrutia, Luka Pecaric, Andrew DuBois, Jordan Cassidy-Menelas, Gemma Stajduhar & Luka Pecaric. Let us pray that they will continue to grow in faith, bearing witness to Christ by a life of holiness and service. Congratulations!

**Right to Life Baby Bottle Campaign**  
Baby Bottles will again be handed out after each Mass on Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>, Mother's Day, and you are asked to return them on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, Father's Day. This ministry reaches out through education and advertising with truth and love, empowering choices for life. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your loose coin. HRTL needs your support to raise money to educate, advertise, and get the message throughout the City of Hamilton of the devastating effects of abortion. See [hamiltonrighttolife.org](http://hamiltonrighttolife.org).

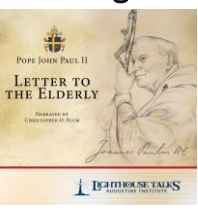


**The Real Story of Catholic History**  
**Save the date!** Join us for Steve Weidenkopf's presentation on **"THE REAL STORY OF CATHOLIC HISTORY: Answering Twenty Centuries of Anti-Catholic Myths"**. Steve Weidenkopf, a lecturer at Christendom College, has a gift for making Catholic Church history come alive for any audience. Come and learn fascinating facts about all those historical events that Catholics are frequently challenged with by those who oppose our faith. You will be surprised how different the true facts are and how you can confidently respond in defense of Catholicism next time you are challenged! Bring family, friends, neighbors, co-workers—especially those who are questioning or even those who are anti-Catholic. Where: St. Francis Xavier Parish. When: Friday, May 24, 6:30pm to 8:30 pm (doors open at 5:30pm) Tickets are **\$10**. Purchase tickets by calling the parish office at 905-662-8593 or via email at [saintfx@cogeco.net](mailto:saintfx@cogeco.net) or online [go2branches.com](http://go2branches.com).

**Parenting Tip**  
As the warmer weather makes its way into our lives, it is a perfect time to help children learn about the beauty of God's created world and our task to be stewards of his creation. Cleaning the yard after winter, planting flowers and vegetables, picking up garbage left behind once the snow melts - these are all great ways to teach your children to honour God's world. And as a bonus, you will spend time outdoors as a family. The world is our home, help your children learn to engage with the earth.

**Questions of the Week**  
**Theme:** Jesus feeds us so that we can feed and serve others.  
**Question for Children:** Jesus asks Peter three times if Peter loves Jesus. What one thing can you do this week to show Jesus your love?  
**Question for Youth:** Jesus asked Peter three times to "feed my sheep." Who are you being called to help in your life right now?  
**Question for Adults:** Christ continues to feed us as his disciples, even after his death and resurrection. How does the Eucharist feed your faith?

**Lighthouse CD of the Month**  
**Letter to the Elderly**  
In 1978, Pope John Paul II became one of the youngest popes ever elected. At the time of his death in 2005, he was also one of the longest serving popes, having lived into his early 80s. From his own experience of growing old, and only five and a half years before his death, John Paul wrote and shared this moving letter, addressed "To my elderly brothers and sisters." His letter shares and cherishes the experiences, beauty, agony, and dignity of growing old and drawing closer to God. "The years pass quickly," he writes, "and the gift of life, for all the effort and pain it involves, is too beautiful and precious for us to ever grow tired of it." This CD and many others are available in the Lighthouse Media kiosk in the Narthex.



**Fundraiser Walk**  
Would you like to help raise awareness and aid for the millions of people around the world who have been forced to leave their homes and become refugees? Join our parish's Development & Peace group on the afternoon of **Sunday, June 2** for a fundraiser walk! You will have the opportunity to learn about what it's like to be a refugee through a simulation activity and to encounter actual refugees who have settled in our community. Registration forms with much more information are available in the letter trays in the Narthex, at the parish office, and on the "News" page of the church website. **Forms must be returned to the office by Monday, May 27.** If you have any questions please feel free to contact Wes at the office. You can also donate to our walk or track our progress of reaching the goal of \$1000 by visiting [www.devop.org/walk/2418](http://www.devop.org/walk/2418).



**Non Perishable Food Collection**  
The Knights of Columbus Council 7969 will be collecting non perishable food and hygiene products at the Narthex of the church for the **months of May and June.** Refer to the flyer at the Narthex to see which items are in demand. Monetary donations are also welcome. Just place your donation in a sealed envelope and write your name, address, and phone number on the envelope. These donations can be placed in the regular parish collections. The Stoney Creek food bank will issue income tax receipts to you for donations of \$10 or more.

**Summer Bible Camp 2019**  
Registration forms are now available for students in Gr. 2 - 5 (campers), Gr. 6-7 completed the leader-in-training /Grades 8 and up (leaders). Reminder notice that Camper & Leaders in Training is now half filled and all Leader applications need to be in to the office by May 24<sup>th</sup>. Camp dates this year: **Week 1: July 8-12; Week 2: July 29 - August 2.** Participants can choose **one** of the two weeks to attend.



**Attention Catholic Men!**  
Permanent Diaconate. Information Night! The Office of Diaconate Formation is holding an information night on the Permanent Diaconate. There will be presentations on the Diaconate, requirements for applying and the formation process. Deacons of the Diocese will share about their calling and experience of ministry as a Permanent Deacon. When: **Monday, May 6, 2019.** 7:30pm Where: St Paul the Apostle Parish, 2265 Headon Road, Burlington, Ontario, L7M-4E2. RSVP with Deacon Joseph Di Loreto at: [diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:diaconateformation@hamiltondiocese.com) or Call 905-528-7988 ext. 2258



**Palliative Care Information**  
The Diocesan website offers detailed information on this topic, providing extensive answers from a Catholic perspective on questions persons or caregivers may have as they face this difficult journey. There are seven sections dealing with every aspect of need. Make use of the information found at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/palliative.care> for answers to questions in a place that is life affirming.

**K of C Annual Garage Sale**  
Sat. May 25<sup>th</sup>. Start cleaning out and getting rid of those things not being used or required anymore! To book a spot, call the office @ 905 662-8593 by May 20<sup>th</sup>. First come, first serve basis. Set up time is 6-7:30 a.m. Event time is 8-1 p.m. Rain date will be June 1<sup>st</sup>. Cost is \$25.00 per parking space. Bring your own tables or sell from your truck, van or trunk within the designated vehicle parking lined area. Side by side parking spots are also available if you wish to make it a family affair. Anyone with items to donate for the Knights to sell, please make sure that they are in good working order and all items must be donated by Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. No items will be accepted the morning of the sale due to safety concerns and congestion as well as the small window of opportunity to sell these items. If you wish items to be picked up, please call Victor @ 905-662-5304. No children's car seats, old cribs, large furniture or appliances will be accepted. Small electronics.....toasters, microwaves in working order will be accepted as well as the usual household items, books, dishes, tools, bikes, mowers etc. NOTE: Vender sale of food or beverages is not permitted as the Knights will be on hand with their outstanding yearly BBQ specialties plus select popular beverages. The truck from St. Vincent de Paul will be in the parking lot that same weekend for gently used clothing and household items. Raffle tickets will be available from the Special Olympics representatives. Call Roger @ 905-662-7259 for any questions regarding rental spaces or donation of items. Hope to see you there to support a great charitable cause.



**Day of Prayer and Healing**  
The Sisters of Life are hosting a Day of Prayer and Healing on Saturday, June 1, 2019, for women seeking healing after abortion. The day is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God and the joy of healing in Christ, in a confidential and sacred space. It will include a witness of mercy, a Scripture reflection, personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no fee for the day, lunch will be provided. CONTACT: The Sisters of Life Phone: 416-463-2722 Email: [toronto@sistersoflife.org](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife.org)

**Upcoming Events**  
May 8-7:00 pm - Parish Council Mtg. - RCR  
May 10 - 7:00 pm - SFX Card Club - GH/CH

**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.**

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# *Steve Weidenkopf Event*

St. Francis Xavier • Stoney Creek, ON • Friday May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
(Doors open at 5:30 pm)

## *Registrant Information*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

# of Tickets (\$10 each) \_\_\_\_\_

## *Payment Method*

1. Cash (Contact [saintfx@cogeco.net](mailto:saintfx@cogeco.net))
2. Make cheque payable to St. Francis Xavier Parish\* and mail this form to:

Bible Study Program  
c/o St. Francis Xavier Parish  
304 Highway 8  
Stoney Creek, ON  
L8G 1E6

\* Receipt of payment by cheque will be confirmed to the above email address or telephone; tickets will be reserved for pickup at the door on event night.

3. Credit Card payment (visit [www.go2branches.com](http://www.go2branches.com))

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