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WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, April 28, Sts. Peter Chanel (Obl Mem) & Louis Grignion de Montfort (Obl Mem)

1st Reading: Acts 7.51-60 Gospel: John 6.30-35

+Alvaro Borges (Tony Borges & Family)

Wednesday, April 29th St. Catherine of Siena (Opt Mem)

1st Reading: Acts 8.1b-8 Gospel: John 6.35-40

Intentions of Mathew & Sarah Hepditch (Patsy Logel & Family)

Thursday, April 30th Saint Marie of the Incarnation (Opt Mem)

1st Reading: Acts 8.26-40 Gospel: John 6.44-51 A.I.D.

Friday, May 1st, St. Joseph the Worker (Obl Mem) & St. Pius V (Obl Mem)

1st Reading: Acts 9.1-20 Gospel: John 6.52-59

+John Parkinson (Lynn & Eugene Kraemer)

Saturday, May 2nd, St. Athanasius (Opt Mem)

1st Reading: Acts 9.31-42 Gospel: John 6.53, 60-69++

+Joseph Mantler (Frances Mantler & Family)

Sunday May 3rd, Fourth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 2.14a, 36b-41 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2.20b-25

Gospel: John 10.1-10

For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

REFLECTIONS ON EASTER AMID THE COVID-19 CRISIS

In these most trying times of the COVID-19 pandemic with all of its devastating effects, the Vatican has, among many other resources at our disposal, recently published a 192-page online prayer recourse to help and assist Catholics around the world in the time of the present pandemic currently ravaging the globe.

The book which has been made available to Catholics around the world through the Vatican website and other Catholic media outlets has the title: Strong in the Face of Tribulation: The Church in Communion - a Sure Support in Time of Trial. It has the image of the Archangel Michael on its cover and is divided into three major parts including prayers and the practice of the faith without the Sacraments and Pope Francis' reflections all through the period of the current pandemic.

No doubt, this will be a great spiritual resource and assistance in these times of doing things in a totally different way in the knowledge that God never deserts His people no matter the situation or the challenges that we may face or experience in our life and faith journey.

Please see the full reflection by Father Gordian on the Website: www.stmaryimmaculate.com

INFORMATION FROM THE DIOCESAN COMMUNICATION'S OFFICE:

During this difficult time, I am pleased to share with you our initiatives to support this year's **Catholic Education Week** at the Diocese of Hamilton in an effort to stay connected to our school community and the life of the Church. First and

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foremost, we would like to announce the livestreaming of a special Mass for Catholic Education from St. Patrick's Parish in Hamilton. This Holy Mass will be celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, on Friday, May 8, 2020 at 11:00 am.

Our yearly digital communications package will be distributed amongst our School Boards and Parishes on **Wednesday, April 29, 2020**. and will include:

- A link for viewing the Catholic Education livestreamed Mass on May 8, 2020.
- A link to Bishop Crosby's video-message for Catholic Education Week 2020. The message will be available in English and in French.
- A PDF version of Bishop Crosby's message, in English and in French, will also be included.

INFORMATION FROM THE WELLINGTON CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD:

JK AND NEW REGISTRATIONS:

If you have a child who is of age to begin JK in September and you have not yet registered, please go online to our website for more information and see the links to register online. We can complete the final piece of registration once schools are re-opened. Do you know of a family who is moving to our community? Please share this with them as well. We are currently looking at class structures, so it is important to include new students as early as possible.

https://www.wellingtoncdsb.ca/apps/pages/index.jsp?uRE C_ID=1081264&type=d&pREC_ID=1363443 If you have any questions, please email Dianne Downey: dianne.downey@wellingtoncdsb.ca

DEVICES AND INTERNET CONNECTIVITY DEPLOYMENT:

The Wellington Catholic District School Board recognizes that a number of families do not have access to devices that are necessary for the learn at home program. In response, we developed a plan to provide families with technology who have identified this need. Devices have been distributed to students based on the Board's standard school model which identifies the appropriate device by grade level. To date, the Board has distributed approximately 1000 devices including ipads, chromebooks and netbooks. In addition, the Board is distributing internet solutions for families with limited or no access. As recently announced the Government of Ontario has coordinated a purchase program with Apple and Rogers to allow Boards to purchase devices they may require, however Wellington Catholic District School Board was able to source and repurpose the appropriate equipment and will not need to purchase additional devices or internet plans.

PRAYER REQUEST FOR ALL OUR SICK PARISHIONERS:

In your praying the Rosary, prayerful reading of Sacred Scripture and other devotions, please continue to pray for the sick around the world and all those affected by the current pandemic.

May we also specially remember our sick parishioners and those who look after them: Don Woodham, Wayne Robinson, Maverick Southern, Margaret Morris, Defina Segatti, Felix Kozak, Argene Pellegrini, Tom Wunder, Kaelynn Heines, and family and friends. May our Blessed Mother Mary, Health of the sick, pray and intercede for us!