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### Mass Schedule

### The Thirty-First Week in Ordinary Time

November 4<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup>



### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
I'm writing this message just after I became aware that this Sunday marks the end of daylight-saving time. The changing of our clocks twice a year gives us the sense of gaining and losing time.

It reminds me of a conversation I had with a teenager during a high school retreat. She was not Catholic but seemed open to the Holy Spirit. When it was time to go, I felt a need to leave her with something to lead her closer to Jesus. So I gave her my Rosary beads and told her that she should pray the Rosary. I said: "It will cost you time; but it will gain for you eternity."

God has given us a span of time on earth. This span of time is longer for some and shorter for others. Our time is only well spent if we spend it seeking the eternal God, who made us to know, love, and serve him in this life and to be happy with him in heaven.

Time wasted on God is never truly a waste. It is a loss that yields great gain. Our Lord himself said: "he that shall lose his life for my sake, shall find it" (Matthew 16:25).

In Christ,

Fr. Hayden Starczala, P.P.

<u>Saturday</u>	5:00 p.m.	+Joseph & Aloisa Mantler (Frances Mantler)
<u>Sunday</u> St. Martin of Tours	9:00 a.m.	+Toni Sutter (Franz & Imelda Ruest)
St. Mary Immaculate	11:00 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo

### WEEKLY OFFERINGS

Oct 28 & 29	St. Mary's	St. Martin's
Offerings	\$ 1,482.00	\$ 310.00
Loose	76.00	35.30
Building	445.00	150.00
Cemetery Purposes	10.00	
World Missions	55.00	
Total:	\$ 2,068.00	\$ 495.30

### VOCATION SEEDS

"The greatest among you will be your servant." Can I respond to God as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, or a consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, 905-528-7988 [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

### CELEBRATING A LIFETIME OF SERVICE – CARDINAL COLLINS

Join us at the Italian Canadian Club, Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> from 6-10 p.m. for an evening of wonderful food and socializing to toast his successes and hear some stories of those he moved/inspired through his journey. Order your tickets today by contacting Peter Barrett 519-846-5118 [barrettpw@yahoo.ca](mailto:barrettpw@yahoo.ca) Tickets are \$100. Proceeds from the evening will be split between His Eminence's favourite local charities and the K of C Charity Trust.

**“Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff— they comfort me.”**  
Psalm 23:4

**Your generosity is very much appreciated!**

### CWL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

A reminder to all ladies of the parish to please renew their yearly CWL memberships to help us to continue our work in the parish. Please leave \$35 using your marked donation envelope or another envelope clearly marked CWL Membership. Your membership is so very appreciated.





*Woe Unto You, Scribes and Pharisees*, James Tissot (1836-1902)

### **COPING WITH HOLIDAYS...WHEN YOU HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE**

Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas. The session will be facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of Family Ministry. The gathering will be held at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St. West in Hamilton, on Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. You are welcome to join the session in person or by zoom. The event is FREE of charge. Please call Sarah to reserve a seat, or to receive the zoom link: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249 or register online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/family-ministry/healing-and-or-counselling/coping-with-the-holidays/> (You must register to join by zoom; in person you can also walk in the day of the event.)



*Personification Of Humility* - Cathédrale d'Amiens, Unknown Stonemason (1220-1240)

### **SEPARATED / DIVORCED SUPPORT GROUP WATERLOO**

Life changes are never easy. After a separation or divorce, you may be feeling isolated or need of support and healing to adjust to your new life? Come together with others to realize there is a 'second act'. Join us on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month - 7:30-8:30 pm – next two sessions are November 21, and December 19, 2023. Feel free to come early and join our Parish in prayer - 7:00pm Mass. We will meet in the Parish Centre (basement) of St. Michael Parish, Waterloo at 7:30pm. To register: Phone 519-884-9311, or Email: [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca)



*Malachia*, Gaddo Gaddi (c. 1239 – c. 1312)

### **THE ANNULMENT PROCESS...THE FACTS AND MYTHS**

Presented by Deacon Joseph Di Loreto, Diocese of Hamilton Thursday November 23 at 7pm Place: St. Michael Parish, 80 University Ave W, Waterloo - Parish Centre (basement) To reserve your spot, please register by emailing - [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca), or phone 519-884-9311.

### **RELIGIOUS ARTICLES FOR SALE**

Anyone in need of religious articles or gifts from the front cabinets or other items such as rosaries, books, medals, and other devotional materials please contact Kerri Kropf at 226-820-1248.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

<b>November 19</b>	Sacrament of Confirmation – 3:00 p.m.
<b>November 23</b>	K of C fundraiser Dinner at Italian Canadian Club with His Eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins
<b>November 28</b>	CWL Memorial Mass – 7:00 p.m.
<b>December 2</b>	Young Adults Night – St. Peter and the Missions Parish, 850 Garafraxa Street North, Durham. Adoration, fellowship, praise music and compline. Arrival and holy hour from 6:30. For more information: <a href="mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com">vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</a>