

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 14th, 2018

Mass Times

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am
(Sacred Heart Catholic School) 11:00 am

DAILY: Monday **No Mass**
Tuesday 7:00 pm
Wednesday **No Mass**
Thursday (S.H. School) 9:15 am
Friday 8:00 am

Confessions

Tuesday, 6:30pm to 6:45pm
Saturday 4:30pm to 4:45pm
Sunday 8:30am to 8:45am
and by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday 7:30 pm to Friday 8:00 am

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

(JANUARY 16TH TO JANUARY 21ST)

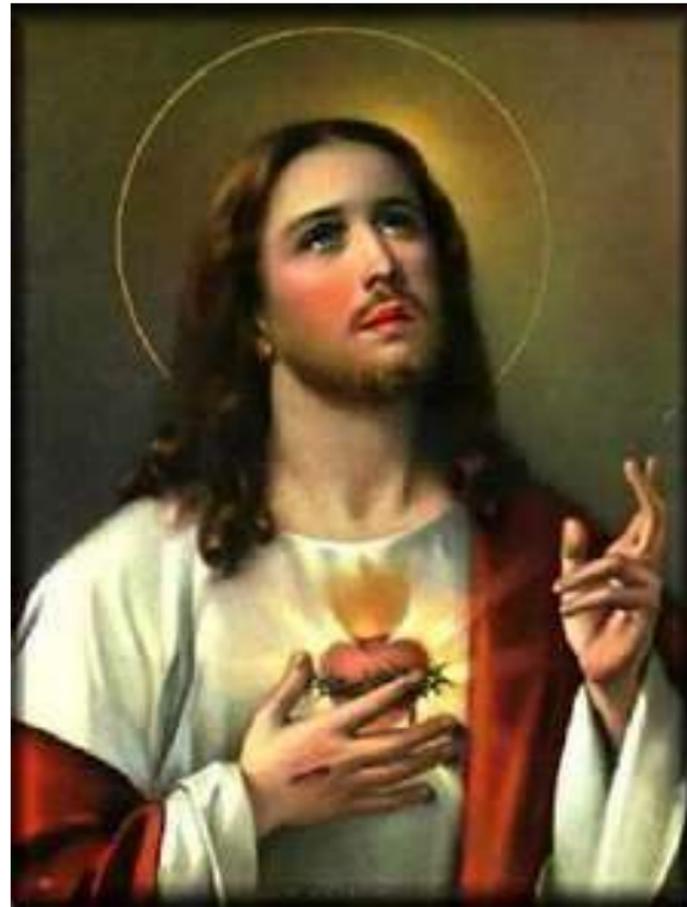
Tuesday 7:00 pm Intention of Donor
Friday 8:00 am Intention of Donor

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5:00 pm † Helena Chin: Don Chin
Sunday 9:00 am † Anne Truba: Ron & Theresa Truba & Family
11:00 am For the People

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Mark Morley
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Gospel Quotation:

**"Look, here is the
Lamb of God!"**

John 1.35 - 42

Pastor's Message

BAPTISM OF THE LORD: OUR BAPTISMAL CALL IN THE LORD

In my homily for Epiphany, I said that, along with his presentation in the Temple and the flight into Egypt, the mystery of the Epiphany is one of the mysteries of Jesus' infancy. But it also relates to the beginning of this public life. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that: "The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighboring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Savior of the world only by turning towards the Jews and receiving from them the messianic promise as contained in the Old Testament." [528]



The day after Epiphany Sunday was the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. On Epiphany Sunday I preached about the magi because that was the Gospel reading of the day. I would now like to take this opportunity to talk about the Baptism of the Lord and, indeed, our own baptism in the Lord. To mark the feast at the Newman Centre, I invited Christina Ronzio, the Diocesan Director of Liturgy, to lead us in what is called *visio divina*, that is, a **guided meditation on the image of the Baptism of Jesus from the St. John's Bible (shown above)**. This form of prayer is based upon *lectio divina*, that is, a guided meditation a passage from Scripture. One of the features of this form of prayer is that it is done in a group such that everyone is blessed by the fruit of the prayer, namely the faith sharing and insights shared within the group. Notice that the figure in the foreground is John the Baptist, who seems to be leaving the scene, as if to say that he must decrease and the Lord must increase. The relatively small image of Jesus in the background (shown here) represents that his baptism was the beginning of his public life and that he would increase in the eyes of the people as he preached the Gospel and the **proclaimed the coming of the Kingdom. John's mission was over and Jesus' mission was just beginning.**



Upon our Baptism, Jesus hands on his mission of evangelizing the world to us. However, **it's not until our Confirmation that we are sent by the Holy Spirit to proclaim the Good News of our salvation in Christ.** As we enter into Ordinary Time, I encourage you to reflect upon your baptismal vocation, that is, the call to holiness and the mission to proclaim the Gospel, as well as to pray for those in our parish who maybe discerning a particular vocation, that is, marriage, priesthood, religious life, consecrated life or single life. In particular, I ask that you pray for couples preparing for marriage in our parish and for those men who are studying for the priesthood for our diocese. May God bless all of us as we pursue our baptismal call to holiness in the Lord.

Fr. Mark Morley

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PARISH UPDATES

PERPETUAL ADORATION: Reminding everyone to drop into Adoration anytime from Tuesday 7:30 pm to Friday 8:00am, or consider joining for a regular hour. We are still looking for a courageous person, to join a rotation of 2 parishioners for Fridays 1:00 -3:00 AM . Grace received is doubled for Adoration during these hours! For information call Jane Hosdil, 519-827-1929

YOUTH GROUP: Reminding everyone Youth Group Update Our parish Youth Group is re-grouping this month. They don't have a name yet. But that will come in good time. In the meantime, I would like to thank Theresa Grech for working with Syrena Moniz in establishing our new youth group. Now that she has moved out of the parish, I would like to thank Michelle Woods for accepting my invitation to become the Youth Ministry Coordinator and Michael Woods for accepting my invitation to become a Youth Group Leader. They are working with Syrena to plan a calendar of events starting with the next meeting on Friday, February 16th. Please pray for our youth and our youth ministry team. *Fr. Mark*

FROM THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

REEL JUSTICE – A JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL: The Church teaches that social justice is an integral part of evangelization, a constitutive dimension of preaching the Gospel, and an essential part of the Church's mission. There are so many issues of injustice all over our world, it is hard to know where to begin. Start by joining us for a movie and discussion evening at a parish near you! January Screening: Romero Where: St. Michael Parish, Waterloo, 240 Hemlock St., Waterloo, N2L 3R5 When: January 26, 2018, 7:00- 9:00 p.m.

MULTICULTURAL MASS: The Diocese of Hamilton will be hosting our annual Multicultural Mass on Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. This is sure to be a beautiful celebration. All are welcome to join us for the Mass and the social event which will take place in McNally Hall after the celebration. There will be performances by various ethnic groups, as well as a chance to sample some delicious foods from around the world.

PARENTING TIP 102: January begins a new year, a perfect time to reflect on your parenting role. Ask yourselves what you are doing well; what you might improve on and where you may need some supports. Assess whether you are spending enough quality and quantity time with your children because both matter. Reflect on whether you are providing a strong faith foundation and a strong connection to the Church community, since both have positive health and spiritual impacts. Now with a clearer vision, set some family goals for the coming year!

MARRIAGE TIP 82: Love flourishes when we understand the three critical components of every relationship: firm commitment, excellent communication skills and disciplined conflict resolution styles. Love demands that we model these three skills for our spouse and includes a **healthy dose of forgiveness when either one of us doesn't manage a situation quite right.** When we work on building these skills together, our **love can't help to grow strong.**

This Week's Events

January

- 15 Rosary for Peace - Sacred Heart 7:00pm
- 16 Tuesday MASS (7:00 pm)
Pastoral Council (7:45pm Coulson Hall)
- 17 Euchre Matinee: (1:00 pm Coulson Hall)
- 19 Seniors' Program at Rockwood Library
(11:30am to 1:30pm)

Did You Know?

- * The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord celebrates the end of the Christmas season
- * We celebrate Jesus' baptism by John the Baptist in the Jordan River
- * The story of Jesus' baptism can be found in the Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke
- * Jesus' baptism is the beginning of his ministry

OUR SUNDAY COLLECTION

JANUARY 7, 2018

Envelopes:	\$ 1507.00
Loose:	\$ 179.95
Total	\$ 1686.95

2018 DONATION ENVELOPES

Have you picked up your Personalized Envelopes?

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Prayer Calendar for Priests

Every day, in our diocese we are invited to pray for a priest serving in our parishes

- Mon. - Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.
- Tues. - Rev. David Perrin
- Wed. - Felician Franciscan Sisters (C.S.S.F.)
- Thurs. - Rev. Sam Restivo, C.R.
- Fri. - Rev. Tim Uniac, C.R.
- Sat. - Rev. Stephen Murrin