

SACRED HEART OF JESUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 11th, 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 (S.H. School) 9:15 am
Thursday **No Mass**
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

(FEBRUARY 13TH TO FEBRUARY 18TH)

Tuesday 7:00 pm Intention of Donor
Wednesday 7:00 pm Ash Wednesday
Friday 8:00 am † Irene Lovell: Kathleen Skinner

First Sunday of Lent

Saturday 5:00 pm † Carl Von Buelow: Dorothy Bergman
Sunday 9:00 am † Brian Drexler: Alfred Drexler
11:00 am For the People

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Mark Morley
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Gospel Quotation:

**"Jesus stretched out
his hand and touched
him, and said, ...
'Be made clean!'"**

Mark 1.40-45

Pastor's Message

A HISTORIC MOMENT FOR SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH

I generally find it off putting when people speak of something that is happening or about to happen as "historic." It seems like every time there is an election, the media tout it as "historic." The real test of whether something is "historic" is the test of time. Will anybody even know about it a hundred years from now? We know that, over a hundred and thirty years ago, Catholics in Rockwood purchased a blacksmith's shop and converted it into a church. That was historic. One hundred and thirty years from now, I hope parishioners in the future will celebrate 2018 as the year when the Site Concept Plan for the new church in



Rockwood was approved. On this Thursday, February 15th, at 1:30pm, our New Build Committee will be presenting our Site Concept Plan to the Diocesan Building Committee. If approved, the Diocesan Building Committee will make a recommendation to Bishop Crosby for him to approve the building of a new church on the hill at the entrance to Camp Brebeuf. If the Bishop approves the Site Concept Plan, then we have his permission to build a new church, the first step being the Preliminary Design Stage. Diocesan policy describes this juncture in this way: "Following this analysis, the architect/consultant must prepare a concept plan depicting where the project will be placed on the site, how it responds to the identified site plan constraints and which approvals will be required to implement the proposal. This site concept plan requires the written approval of the Diocese, and may, at the discretion of the Business office, include review by the Diocesan Building Committee. The Project may not proceed past this point in the design process without written approval. The preliminary design stage of the project is a critical determinant of the ultimate success of a project. Careful consideration must be given to the design to ensure that it not only reflects the objectives of the study process, but is attainable within the established budget, as defined in the Feasibility Statement."

Despite my usual misgivings about the use the term, I would like to claim that our meeting with the Diocesan Building Committee this Thursday will be a historic moment for Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. In other words, it will be a decisive moment in the history of our parish. All this goes to say that we must pray to Jesus, asking his Sacred Heart to have mercy on us, and petitioning him that the approval of our Site Concept Plan maybe God's will, and that the new church on the hill may be built for the glory of God. I'm quite serious about this. We will be praying as a community at all the Masses this weekend for the approval of our Site Concept Plan and I ask you to add your personal prayers during the week, even praying at the time of our meeting on Thursday (1:30pm) that we may be guided by the Holy Spirit as we make our presentation. As we begin the Season of Lent on Ash Wednesday, I ask you to offer prayers for the New Build Committee, for our architect Rick Lintack and for me, along with you alms giving and fasting.

Thank you and God bless you. *Sacred Heart of Jesus. Have mercy on us.*

Fr. Mark Morley

PARISH UPDATES

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Bishop Crosby has approved my request to hire a Music Director to serve the parish, including Camp Brebeuf, and the Newman Centre Guelph. If you know someone who would be interested in applying, please ask them to visit:



<https://hamiltondiocese.com/job-opportunities.php> Fr. Mark

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

REMINDER: SHROVE TUESDAY SUPPER - The Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Shrove Tuesday Supper on February 13 in Coulson Hall. Supper will be served from 5:00 – 6:30. Mass will be at 7:00pm. Please join us for pancakes and sausages and a chance to socialize with fellow parishioners. A goodwill donation is appreciated. Holy Name of Mary Knights of Columbus

FROM THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

POPE FRANCIS HAS CALLED CATHOLICS and all men and women of good-will to join him in a special Day of Prayer and Fasting for Peace for the worn-torn people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and of South Sudan. He made the appeal following his Sunday Angelus in St. Peter's Square last Sunday. "I invite all the faithful to take part in a special Day of Prayer and Fasting on Friday, February 23rd, the First Week of Lent."

THE ONTARIO GOVERNMENT RECENTLY RAISED THE AGE OF PROTECTION from 16 to 18 years old! This means that young people aged 16 or 17 who are experiencing, or are at risk of experiencing, abuse or neglect are now eligible to receive the full range of protection services that have always been available to children from the ages of 0-15. Hamilton is one of only two cities in Ontario that has a dedicated Catholic Children's Aid Society. Anyone who has concerns about the safety and well-being of a 16 or 17 year-old is encouraged to contact the CCASH at 905-525-2012 (after hours 905-522-8053) and speak with someone who has the skills to determine what might be happening and what to do about it. Check out their website (www.hamiltonccas.on.ca) for more information!

This Week's Events
February
12 Rosary for Peace - Sacred Heart 7:00pm
13 Shrove Tues. Pancake Supper: KofC (Coulson Hall 5:00pm – 6:30pm)
Tuesday MASS (7:00 pm)
14 Euchre Matinee: (1:00 pm Coulson Hall)
16 Seniors' Program at Rockwood Library (11:30am to 1:30pm)

ASH WEDNESDAY
Today's Masses will be held at:
Sacred Heart School at 9:15am
Sacred Heart Church at 7:00pm.
Fr. Morley

Did You Know?

- * the season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday
- * our foreheads are marked with ashes
- * the ashes are made from blessed palms from the previous year
- * the ashes are sprinkled with Holy Water

OUR SUNDAY COLLECTION
FEBRUARY 4, 2018

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| Envelopes: | \$ 1241.00 |
| Loose: | \$ 83.00 |
| Total | \$ 1324.00 |
| Prior Week | \$ 1121.90 |

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

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| Mon. | - Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic |
| Tues. | - Rev. Felix Nwatu |
| Wed. | - Ash Wednesday |
| Thurs. | - Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony |
| Fri. | - Rev. Peter Watters |
| Sat. | - Rev. Czeslaw Kolasa, S.A.C. |