



**Fr. Peter Jurzyk**

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please call the Parish Office  
905-529-3921

**Sunday Mass: 11:00am**

**Weekday Mass Schedule:**

**Tuesday**

7:00pm

**Wednesday**

8:00am

**Thursday**

Confession 6:15pm

Mass 7:00pm

**Friday**

8:00am

**Parish Office Hours:**

9am - 1pm

Monday to Friday

**Sacraments of Marriage  
or Baptism:**

Please contact the Parish Office to  
make an appointment to meet  
with Father Peter.

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**Parish Staff**

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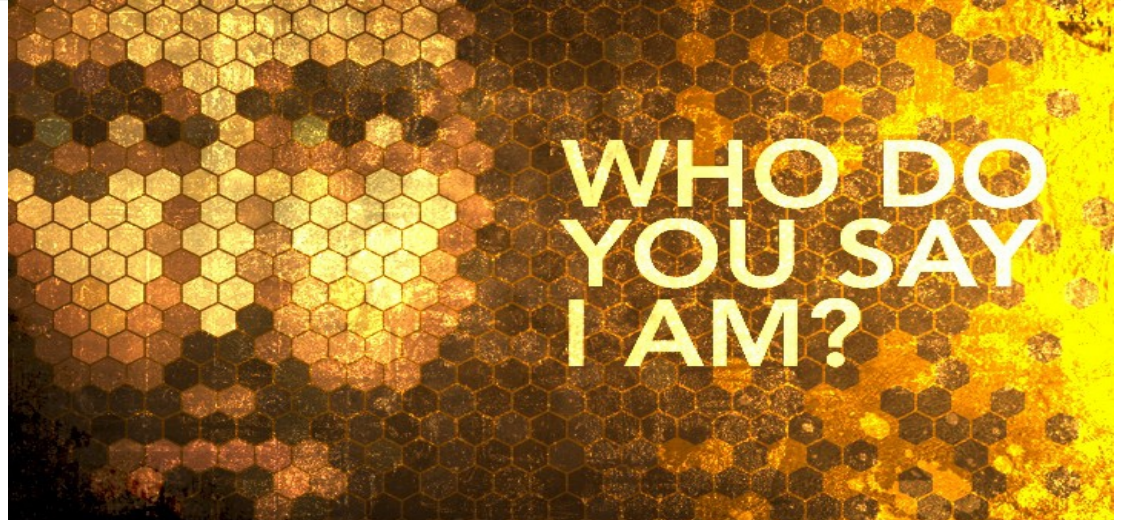
# St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish

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September 16, 2018 - 24th Sunday in ordinary time



While travelling to Caesarea Philippi Jesus posed to His disciples one of the most important and challenging questions: "Who do you say that I am?" Peter answering this question professed the faith in Jesus Christ but at that time he was unable to accept all the aspects of Christ's mission and all the consequences flowing from the faith. Later on Peter understood the mystery of the salvation brought to the world by Jesus and accepting the faith along with all the requirements became able to lead the Church.

Today we also experience difficulties on our way to the Lord. The faith once professed requires to be confirmed every day if it is to be authentic. Many times this becomes a real challenge because the world says something different beginning from minor things and ending with a serious matter: everyday prayer, Sunday Mass, receiving the Sacraments, personal conversion and penance, public profession of the faith and many more. Amid these challenges we are sure that the Lord walks with us supporting us always in doing our heavenly Father's will. The faithfulness to the Lord gives the joy beyond telling that nobody else but the Lord can bestow upon us.

This week we have the first school Mass on Thursday at 12:30 pm. Everyone is welcome! On Friday we observe the Feast of Saint Matthew the Apostle and Evangelist .

I am pleased to announce a new series of open meetings regarding various aspects of our Catholic faith - *Let's Talk About Our Faith*. The first meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, September 26th at 7 pm in the church hall and is dedicated to the Catholic teaching about Confession and Penance. Everybody is welcome!

I would like to thank those who generously responded to our need of having new liturgical vessels and vestments.

May the Lord keep us faithful to the faith we received in Baptism and profess each Sunday Mass!

God bless,  
Fr. Peter

## Mass Intentions for the Week of September 18th

TUESDAY, September 18  
7:00 p.m. – Manuel Rocha  
By Rosa Rocha

WEDNESDAY, September 19  
8:00 a.m. – Manuel Bragues  
By Idalina Bragues

THURSDAY, September 20 (School Mass)  
Memorial of Andrew Kim Tei-Gon Priest,  
Paul Chong Ha-Sang, and Companions,  
Martyrs  
12:30 p.m. – John Walton  
By Georgina Fogarty

FRIDAY, September 21  
Feast of the St. Matthew the Apostle  
8:00 a.m. – Terrence Lewis  
By Darlene Sullivan

SUNDAY, September 23  
11:00 a.m. – The Parishioners of St. Lawrence

### Important Dates and Events

#### September

20th @ 12:30 School Mass  
26th @ 7pm - Confession and Penance faith  
discussion  
27th @ 7:30 Fundraising Meeting

#### November

2nd Nibbles & Bids  
24th CWL Fall Penny Sale

#### December

7th Christmas Turkey Roll  
16th CWL Christmas Bake Sale



September 9 :  
Sunday Collection \$1,077

### School Mass this Thursday

This Thursday is our first school Mass of the year. The Mass is at 12:30 - all are welcome and encouraged to attend.

### Let's Talk About Our Faith

This is a new series of open meetings dedicated to various aspects of our faith. On Wednesday, September 26th at 7 pm in the church hall there will be the first meeting titled: **"Confession and Penance - What does the Catholic Church teach about them?"**. There will be a short presentation of the topic by Father and a discussion with refreshments to follow. Everybody is welcome!

### First Saturdays

Each first Saturday of the month Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. in dedication to Our Blessed Mother.

### Diocese to move ahead with capital campaign

The Diocese of Hamilton has decided to move forward with a Parish-focused capital campaign after a recent study found support from 83 percent of the respondents. The planning study was conducted from May through June by the Steier Group, a campaign consulting firm, and included more than 900 clergy and lay participants. Under the proposed campaign plan, 75 percent of the funds raised would go to the Parishes for projects of their choosing, 15 percent to diocesan ministries and 10 percent to support Parishes in need. On the diocesan campaign website, [www.hamiltondiocese.com/campaign](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/campaign), you can find a letter from Bishop Crosby about the study and the campaign, plus a more detailed summary of the planning study results.

### Mass intentions

To request a Mass intention and to avoid any confusion about available dates, please contact the parish office and speak to the secretary. Keith is in the office each day from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or after Mass on Sunday.

### Our Parish Sick List

Please keep the sick of our parish in your prayers. The Parish sick list is posted at the back of the church and on our website please call the Parish Office during the week if you would like to add someone to our sick list.



Giuseppe Cavigliano  
Hollier- Heddle & Greco Families  
Gilberto Pavao and Families  
Jackson, Joyce & Moorcroft Families

## DIOCESAN WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

September 2018

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist workshops will take place on Saturday, September 22nd at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Waterdown, and on Saturday, September 29th at Holy Rosary Parish, Guelph. Both workshops are from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For registration information, see the Liturgy Office website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/> or call the Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2236.

Ministers of the Word workshops will take place on Saturday, October 29th at Blessed Sacrament Parish, Kitchener, and on Saturday, November 3rd at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Burlington. Both workshops are from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For registration information, see the Liturgy Office website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/> or call the Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2236.

Children's Liturgy of the Word workshops for all who celebrate the liturgy of the word with children during the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist will take place at St. Anne Parish, Kitchener on Tuesday, September 25th and at St. Francis Xavier Parish, Stoney Creek, on Wednesday, September 26th. Both workshops are from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. For registration information, see the Liturgy Office website <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/> or call the Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2236.

Seniors Study Session: Creation Spirituality. This seven week course offered by Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND, D.Min will offer participants an opportunity to understand and find ways to practice a Christian vision of Earth Centered Spirituality. The course will draw on scripture, poetry, ancient prayers, and the lives of the saints and prophets. The course will be held at St. Aloysius Parish, Kitchener, on Tuesdays from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 16, 23, 30. Cost is \$35.00 including text. To register please contact Monica at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238. Online registration is available on the website, [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

Grandparents Day: Waiting, Watching, Walking... in Faith

Are you a Grandparent or a Senior who wants to learn more about their faith and how to pass it on to younger generations? Join us for a special celebration in time for National Grandparents Day. Saturday, Sept. 8th from 9:00 am. to 12:30 pm. at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Waterdown. The morning begins with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Crosby, followed by light refreshments. Then sit back and enjoy special presentations from Elissa Lolino, playwright, actress & catechist, and Phil Small, author, poet, educator & grandparent. Anne Jamieson will help unpack the "Waiting"! There is no charge for this event. Your RSVP allows us to plan for the hospitality but walk-ins the day of are most welcome. There will be faith resources for sale at the event. Register by contacting Monica at 905-528-7988 ext. 2238. For online registration visit [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

## Travel

### **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land Under the Spiritual Leadership of Fr. Jerry Punnassery, CMI**

Pastor, St. Luke Parish, Hamilton  
February 22 to March 2, 2019  
9 days ~ \$2,990.00

Itinerary includes Mount of the Beatitudes, Cana, Mount Carmel, Mount Tabor, Via Dolorosa, the Garden of Gethsemane, the "Wailing Wall," Bethlehem and the Dead Sea. Holy Mass celebrated everyday in a historically and spiritually significant church. Contact St. Luke Parish at 905-560-1551 or Stan at International Heritage Tours at 1-877-999-8868/stan@ihtours.com.

**St. Catherine of Siena Trip** to Italy with Fr. Mark Gatto: Encounter the life and spirituality of St. Catherine of Siena while savouring the food and wine of Tuscany and Rome. The planned dates for this trip are May 19 to 29, 2019. For information you may contact Fr. Mark at 289-981-3314 or [mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com) Also, go to [catherineofsienachurch.ca](http://catherineofsienachurch.ca) to see brochure of the trip.



## **Catechetical Correspondence Courses**

Programs are available for children from Kindergarten through to High School who are not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools is also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out our website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and [click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.](#)

## **Catechesis Connections**

Are you a catechist? Do you help pass on the Faith to others? In your Parish? In Sacramental Prep? At home? Join us as we consider the connection between evangelization and catechesis with the help of a new book by Daniella Zsupan-Jerome, "Evangelization & Catechesis: Echoing the Good News Through the Documents of the Church". Short chapters, great stories, helpful reflection! Wednesday evenings Oct. 10, 24, Nov. 7, 14 & 21, from 7:00 to 8:30pm at St. Gregory Parish, Cambridge. Cost: \$35, includes text. Online registration is available at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or call Monica at 905 528 7988 ext. 2238.

## **Grief Relief**

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you wondering if these feelings are normal? You are not alone! "Grief Relief" – is a six week educational and support series dealing with grief, offered on Tuesdays, October 23rd to November 27th at the Chancery Office, Hamilton, from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. Facilitator: Karen Hulley, RP. You are free to attend all sessions, or any one or more as you are able. To register call the Family Ministry Office: 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

## **Certificate for Grief Program**

A certification program will be offered on Wednesday, September 26th and Thursday, September 27th at the Chancery Office, Hamilton, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. International grief trainer and counsellor, Dr. Bill Webster, will present the material and provide a certificate of completion for those who participate in both days of the course. The cost of the program is \$90 per day (includes lunch). Contact the Family Ministry Office for more information (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

## **Stress in Your Marriage?**

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on October 12, 2018, call 905-664-5212 or email [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit the website at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

## **Programs for Divorced and Separated Persons**

Our Diocesan Levels programs are designed to accompany women and men suffering after a divorce or separation. Beginning with Level One, which helps them to cope with the situation, and moving to Levels Two through Four, we journey with individuals who need healing to feel whole again. The program is offered in both Kitchener and Hamilton. More information is found on the Diocesan website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php>.

## **World Mental Health Day**

The Family Ministry Office will host a day of learning intended to assist people in offering needed support. Mark your calendars for October 10, 2018. For more information, contact the Family Ministry Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249.

## **Faith Begins in the Family**

Bring your news and views to a gathering on October 20, 2018, sponsored by the Family Ministry Office. All are invited to provide input, practical advice on how we can create strong family ministry and how we can help parents and children thrive and grow in their faith, connect to the church community, and invigorate parish life. Contact the Family Ministry Office (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 for more information or visit the Family Ministry website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/s/family-ministry/amoris-laetitia/>.

## **Other events in the Diocese**

In honour of our Blessed Mother Mary, there will be an evening of prayer, rosary with reflections, Holy Mass and Benediction on Saturday evening September 22nd from 6:30 to 9:30 at St Elizabeth of Hungary Chapel 391 Rymal Road West with Father Laurent Larroque, Director of Marian Movement of Priests. All are welcome