


Mass IntentionsDecember 19 – 25, 2016**Tuesday, December 20, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.**+Lily Zister - *Bill and Mary Alice Zister***Wednesday, December 21, 2016 – 8:30 a.m.**+Joseph and Catherine Spiegl – *Spiegl Family*+Dolores Finnegan – *Rosemary Mussar***Thursday, December 22, 2016 – 8:30 a.m.**+Stan Blaskavitch - *Jane and Bill Grebinski***Friday, December 23, 2016 – 8:30 a.m.**+Lorne Hebert – *Florence Cybulski***Saturday, December 24, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.****Saturday, December 24, 2016 - 5:00 p.m.**+Leslianne Allen – *Carolynne and Larry Zehr and Family*+ Ken and Joan Howald - *Carolynne and Larry Zehr and Family***Saturday, December 24, 2016 – Midnight****Merry Christmas****Sunday, December 25, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.****Mass for the People of St. Teresa Parish**Prayer Network:

For those not on the internet there is an envelope on the bulletin board at the main entrance marked 'PRAYER NETWORK'. Please take a copy of the prayer intentions inside this envelope and pray for fellow parishioners.

Hospitals and Privacy Laws:

 Because of privacy laws, hospitals do not notify us when parishioners are admitted. If someone in your family is admitted to hospital and you want the Parish Office to know, please call and tell us. Many hospitals, Catholic or not, have a priest assigned to visit the Catholic patients and bring them Communion, but the family must tell the admittance office of their wish for a clergy visit.

Keys Found

We have found two keys, a key in the pews and one in the parking lot in the past month. Please call the office at: 519-743-4525 if you have lost a key.

Euchre Results

High Score - Erma Williams

Most Loan Hands - Charlotte Wilson

Low Score - Neil Hart

1st Draw - Bill Zister/2nd Draw - Mary Alice Zister

Next Euchre Night will be **Friday, January 13, 2017** in the church hall. Merry Christmas!

Bingo

Matinee on **Saturday, December 24, 2016** from 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. at the Charities Bingo Hall, 510 Krug Street, Kitchener. To assist with this fundraiser for our parish, please call the office: 519-743-4525.

Stewardship ReportDecember 4, 2016

Sunday Envelopes.....	2,793.25
Sunday Loose.....	39.40
Building and Maintenance.....	130.00
Insurance.....	50.00

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar 2016

Monday, December 19 – Rev. James Link

Tuesday, December 20 – Rev. Michael McHugh

Wednesday, December 21–Consecrated Men and Women

Thursday, December 22 – Rev. Michael Sullivan

Friday, December 23 – Rev. Jerry Punnassery

Saturday, December 24 – Rev. Jeff Bergsma

Sunday, December 25 –Christmas Day A Senior Adult

Christmas Potluck - Thank you

The Christmas Potluck committee would like to thank everyone who attended last Saturday night's Christmas Party and a special thanks to Phyllis Krall for providing the turnip!

A Senior Adult Workshop Series - Embracing the Wisdom of Monks & Mystics

This 6 part workshop/study session will explore the lives of twelve great monks & mystics from the Christian tradition in new & creative ways. This course will be facilitated by Sister Mary Heather MacKinnon SSND. They will be 6 Wednesday afternoons, starting **Wednesday, January 11, 2017** from 1:30- 3:30 p.m. at the Chancery Office, Hamilton. The cost will be \$35 and includes the text, 'Illuminating the Way' by Christine ValtersPaintner. Please register by December 22, 2016. For further information please contact Monica at: mverin@hamiltondiocese.com or 905-528-7988 ext. 2238 or check the website, www.hamilton diocese.com for more information.

Vocations – December 18, 2016

“See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.” Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at: 905-528-7988 or e-mail: mking@hamiltondiocese.com

Bingo Committee & Kitty McDonald

Volunteers from St. Teresa Church have been working at the charity bingos for over 30 years. Many changes have occurred during that time for a variety of reasons. The committee has decided to only volunteer at one afternoon bingo a month due of recent resignations with only a few new volunteers to work at the night games. As a result, the bingo committee's financial donations to the church will be greatly reduced.

The committee wishes to thank all the volunteers who recently resigned with special recognition to KITTY McDONALD. Kitty has worked, led and organized the bingo committee tirelessly for the past 30 years. Her dedication and commitment have been the glue that has kept the committee together. Thank you Kitty, for being such a faithful member. Thank you too, to all present and past bingo volunteers.

Christmas Concert by 'Mags'

Mags, a three time Canadian Gospel Music Association nominee, invites you to join her for an evening of Christmas Joy. The concert is on **Tuesday, December 20th** at 7 p.m. at Hope Fellowship, 25 Benjamin Rd, Waterloo (2nd floor of the outlet mall). Admission is \$10.

Longest Night Prayer Service

If Christmas is a sad time for you because of the loss of a loved one, please consider attending this ecumenical service on **Wednesday December 21st** at 7:00 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Parish, 49 Blueridge Ave. Kitchener. This will be an evening of prayerful reflection in solidarity with all who have gone home to Jesus and those who grieve their loss. A reception will follow. If you have any questions please call: 519-745-7301.

Laudato Si is a 'Call to Conversion'

Come and spend an evening exploring Pope Francis' encyclical on 'The Environment and Human Ecology' with Fr. Tom Rosica, CSB, CEO of Salt and Light Television. Past Popes have written on the importance of protecting the environment, but [Laudato Si] is a major piece of work, and an ardent call from one of our world's major leaders for us to work together to address this existential problem. To use religious language, what the Pope is calling for is conversion. (Fr. Tom Rosica, CSB) Join us **Wednesday, January 11, 2017** at 7 p.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 49 Blueridge Ave. Kitchener. Sponsored by the Catholic Women's League.

The Daily TV Mass is now available Monday-Saturday anytime from any place. Take a moment to visit their new website at: www.dailytvmass.com to watch the Daily TV Mass and to find out more about how to stay connected with our faith. Please feel free to call the NCBC at: 1-888-383-6277 for more information.

Area Advent Penitential Services 2016**Tuesday, December 20th**

6:00 – 6:45 p.m. - St. Anthony Daniel, Kitchener

7:00 p.m. - St. Mark's Church, Kitchener

7:00 p.m. - St. Teresa of Avila Church, Elmira

7:00 pm - St. Ambrose Church, Cambridge

Wednesday, December 21st

7:00 – 9 p.m. St. Anne's Church, Kitchener

Friday, December 23rd

5:00 – 6:30 p.m. - St. John's & Our Lady of Guadalupe, Kitchener