

# ST. AGATHA CHURCH BULLETIN

February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Sat Feb 29 7:00 pm	Sun Mar 1 9:00 am	Sun Mar 1 11:00 am
<b>Lector:</b>	Robert S.	Lee F.	Margaret O.
<b>Commentators:</b>	Dee S.	Janet L.	Mary Louise C.
<b>Ushers:</b>	Mary & Ken D. Rose F. Lydia N.	Doug M. Diego V. Joseph W.	Ladislaus B. Peter M. Len M.
<b>Gift Bearers:</b>	Lisa & Rod S.	Ron & Theresa B.	Carol & Len M.
<b>Eucharistic:</b>	Debbie K.	Jane H.	Anne V.
<b>Collection:</b>		Theresa B. & Connie D.	

<b>Masses:</b>	Tues, Feb 25	7:45 am	Special Intention
	Wed, Feb 26	7:45 am	Beatification of the Founders of the Congregation of the Resurrection
		7:00 pm	
	Thurs, Feb 27	7:45 am	Special Intention
	Fri, Feb 28	7:00 pm	<b>Stations of the Cross are at 7 pm on Fridays during Lent</b>
		7:30 pm	<b>Mass at 7:30 pm on Fridays during Lent</b>
	Sat, Feb 29	7:00 pm	Intentions of Parishioners
	Sun, Mar 1	9:00 am	+ Carl Haid requested by Sandra & family
		11:00 am	+ Helene Marie Diesbourg requested by Wally & Anne Van Niekerk

**WEEKLY COLLECTION:** Total Last Week: **\$1,550** (Incl \$330 Building Fund)

**PREAUTHORIZED GIVING:** Please pick up the pre-printed form at the back of the church, fill out and return by placing in the collection basket in a sealed envelope. Please ensure that you are a registered parishioner to enable tax receipt creation.

**TAX RECEIPTS FOR 2019** are available at the back of the church, arranged in alphabetical order. Please pick up your tax receipt even if it is not needed. This will help us save on postage costs.

**IMMACULEE ILIBAGIZA:** Don't miss this rare opportunity! Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Stoney Creek will be hosting a Lenten Retreat with Rwandan Genocide Survivor's message of FORGIVENESS, HEALING & HOPE. Immaculee will share her powerful journey through remarkable personal testimony. Witness the life-saving power of faith and the Rosary, as she huddled with seven other women in a cramped bathroom for 91 days while killers lurked just outside the door.

**Friday, March 13, 4-9 pm; Saturday, March 14, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm.**

Registration: [www.immaculee.com](http://www.immaculee.com) Click on "shop/events", then select "Retreats"

**STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?** Rediscover joy in your relationship! 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 being offered on the weekend of March 13, 2020, 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)

**28<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL LIFT JESUS HIGHER RALLY:** **Saturday, March 7, 9am-5:30pm** at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, North Building, 255 Front St W, Toronto. Compelling speakers, powerful Christian music, inspiring personal testimony, Divine Mercy celebration, Eucharistic procession, Mass with Cardinal Thomas Collins. Adult Rally - \$25, Simultaneous Youth Rally-Ages 13-18 in the John Basset Theatre, right next door - Youth Rally fee is \$15. For tickets & information, visit [www.ljhr.ca](http://www.ljhr.ca) or email [contact@ljhr.ca](mailto:contact@ljhr.ca) or call 647-243-9441.

**ST. PATRICK'S DAY CARD PARTY** Mark your calendar for our very own **St. Patrick's Day Card Party** on March 8, here in the church hall. Start time 1:30 pm. \$10 admission (pay at the door) will get you an Irish Stew Dinner, Beverages & Dessert, Door Prizes, and—of course—an afternoon of Fun and Fellowship. Our raffle ticket draw will be held at 4:30pm ON THAT DAY. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the back of Church after all masses February 29 and March 1. Please make the effort to support and purchase tickets. One for \$2. Three for \$5.

**CWL members** please have all your raffle tickets back to the church by March 8. Put them in the green CWL box at the back of the Church. Also, please note: there will not be a meeting on March 4. April's meeting will be held on April 1 in the church basement as per usual.

**LENTEN REFLECTION SERIES - CATHOLICISM: The Pivotal Players.** Join us this Lent when we will be offering a four-part DVD series by Bishop Robert Barron that explores the lives of influential figures who shaped the church and changed our world. Each session includes an hour long video on one of the Pivotal Players, followed by a brief period for some discussion & sharing, refreshments, and reflection questions to take home. The evenings run from 7 - 8:30 pm and will be held in the Parish Hall.

**Presentation dates:** **Wednesday, March 4** - St. Augustine - The Teacher  
**Wednesday, March 11** - St. Benedict - The Monk  
**Wednesday, March 25** - Flannery O'Connor - The Storyteller  
**Wednesday, April 1** - Fulton J. Sheen - The Communicator

You're welcome to attend all or some of the evenings. There is no cost, nor registration to attend

**DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS, JUNE 14, 2020:** Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2020? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 14, 2020 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, 714 King St W, Hamilton, at 1:30pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster at the back of the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

**EVENSONG (Evening Prayer):** hosted by *The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr* (a Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton). **Sunday, February 23** (Last Sunday of each month) at 7 pm at St. Mary's Church, 56 Duke St W, Kitchener. After the service, please join us in the Parish Hall for a social time. For more info, email [info@stedmund.ca](mailto:info@stedmund.ca)

**CAREER OPPORTUNITY:** Due to a pending retirement, the Congregation of the Resurrection in Waterloo is looking for a full-time Treasurer (35 hours per week). This is an interesting position working in a very pleasant environment with a competitive salary and benefits package. The role involves maintaining the accounts and records for the Congregation and providing support for Resurrectionist Members. For more information or to apply to this position, please email [hr@resurrectioncollege.ca](mailto:hr@resurrectioncollege.ca) and visit [resurrectionists.ca](http://resurrectionists.ca) (no telephone calls please). We are looking to fill this position by April.

**DIOCESAN CHOIR:** The Diocesan Choir provides music for the Chrism Mass & Ordinations of Priests & Deacons. We invite interested music ministers to register and ask new members to audition during the first rehearsal. Rehearsals begin March 2 and are held every Monday from 7:30-9:30 pm. For further information, & to register, contact the Liturgy Office at 905-528-7988 or check online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/liturgy/diocesan-choir.php>