

ST. AGATHA CHURCH BULLETIN

November 10th 2019

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Sat Nov 16 7:00 pm	Sun Nov 17 9:00 am	Sun Nov 17 11:00 am
Lector:	Rosemary S.	Theresa B.	Mary Anne G.
Commentators:	Melanie C.	Janice M.	Marilyn E.
Ushers:	Mary & Ken D. Lydia N.	Doug M. Diego V. Joseph W. Sharon W.	John G. Peter M. Len M.
Gift Bearers:	Marnie & Ken V.	whoever is available	Carol & Len M.
Eucharistic:	Sheryl M.	Jane H.	Donna G.
Collection:	Brenda A. & Marjorie H.		

Masses:	Tues, Nov 12	7:45 am	
	Wed, Nov 13	7:45 am	+ Marie Mason requested by Joan Williams & family
	Thurs, Nov 14	7:45 am	+ Marie Mason requested by Dennis Dubrick
	Fri, Nov 15	7:45 am	Intentions of Madelyn Dubrick requested by Dennis Dubrick
	Sat, Nov 16	7:00 pm	Intentions of Parishioners
	Sun, Nov 17	9:00 am	+ Gayle Dubrick requested by Dennis Dubrick
		11:00 am	+ Peter Wagner requested by Margaret & Dennis O'Hagan

WEEKLY COLLECTION: Budget: \$2,900, Total Last Week: **\$2.027** (Incl \$100 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.

COPING WITH CHRISTMAS - ST. MICHAEL GRIEF SUPPORT: Grieving the loss of a loved one at any time is difficult, but it can seem all the worse as we approach the Christmas season. This time of year often reminds us of our loved ones who are no longer with us, along with feelings of loss and sadness. We may begin to worry about our sense of belonging and how we are going to cope without our loved one. Join us on Thurs, Nov 14, 7 - 8:30 pm in the Parish Centre (doors open at 6:30) as we watch a video and discuss ways to reduce stress while still being able to find joy in each moment, trusting that there will be brighter days ahead. Everyone is welcome. Bring a friend. Please register with Kathy at 519-886-2117 or shawbing@rogers.com by Tues, Nov 13.

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS... When You Have Lost a loved One: Join us for an afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas, facilitated by Dr Wendy Hofman. The session is being held at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King St W in Hamilton on **Sunday, Dec 1** from 1:30-3:00pm. The event is free of charge. Please call 905-528-7988, Ext 2249 to reserve a seat.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Choir rehearsal for Ecumenical Service - Sat, Nov 16, 9 - 10:30 am. There will also be Choir Rehearsals on Sat, Nov 23 and 30. The Ecumenical Service is Dec 1 at 7pm

HOLY FAMILY PARISH CWL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: 329 Huron St, New Hamburg. **November 16 from 11 am - 2 pm.** Home baking, crafts, penny sale and tombola tables, raffle tickets (top prize \$600.00). Lunch is available in our tea room. Something for everyone!

NITHVIEW COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Bake sale, silent auction, community vendors, tearoom. **Saturday, November 16, 2-4 pm** at 200 Boullee St, New Hamburg.

THE CWL NOVEMBER SERVICE NIGHT on Wed, Nov 6 was a great success! Thank you to all who made donations and helped with this event.

CWL CHRISTMAS DINNER tickets will soon be available for sale. The dinner is on **Wednesday, December 4** and tickets are \$20/each for a traditional turkey dinner. There is a flyer on the CWL bulletin board at the back of the church with details.

SINGERS FOR ECUMENICAL SERVICE: We are looking for singers to join with our choirs in singing at the Ecumenical Service at St. Agatha Church on **December 1st** at 7 pm. Practices will take place on 3 Saturdays prior to the service—on November 16, 23, and 30 from 9am - 10:30 am at St. Agatha Church. Contact the Parish Office 519-747-1212 for more info.

ONE HEART, ONE SOUL CAMPAIGN is coming this way. Preparations are under way at St. Agatha Parish for the “One Heart, One Soul” Campaign. Our parish is among more than 30 parishes taking part in the next wave. Preparations will include forming a volunteer team, developing campaign materials and identifying projects. Kickoff Weekend is tentatively set for April 25/26. The campaign is aimed at strengthening parishes and several diocesan-wide ministries.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR CANADIAN HOME MISSIONS: The Bishops of Canada are supporting a new initiative by Catholic Missions in Canada (CMC) called the “Day of Prayer for Canadian Home Missions” on November 17, 2019. The purpose of the Day of Prayer is to help Canadian Catholics realize that our country has missions that are in need of help. Catholics in remote areas with few resources need encouragement and hope, made real through this initiative. Information pamphlets about Catholic Missions in Canada and this day of prayer, as well as prayer cards and donation envelopes, are available at the back of the church.

“THE PARADOX OF PLEASURE: Jean Vanier and the Growth of L’Arche”: **Fri, Nov 15, 7:30 pm.** Doors open at 6:45pm. Academic Centre, Vanstone Lecture Hall, University of Waterloo. Admission is free, but please register at www.sju.ca/lce Tickets are not required at the door. Complimentary parking in Lots A & B is available on a first-come/first-served basis. See the Campus MAP for parking lot locations. Everyone welcome! Just twelve years after Jean Vanier founded the first L’Arche community with adults with intellectual disabilities, there were more than 40 L’Arche communities in 11 countries. What can explain this incredible growth? Carolyn Whitney-Brown discovered that Vanier said that the secret behind L’Arche’s success is, paradoxically, “pleasure.” She will discuss how Vanier’s surprising observation about pleasure offers an insight into the success of this amazing movement.

CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN, Herb Wittich Depot: We are very sorry to announce that Canadian Food for Children has temporarily suspended operations due to a lack of financial resources. We are unable to accept any donations of goods at the Herb Wittich Depot at the present time. Therefore please do not drop anything off at Guelph Street until further notice.

EVENSONG (Evening Prayer): hosted by *The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr* (a Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton). **Sunday, November 24** (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

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Regular office hours are Mondays, Tuesdays, & Thursdays from 9:30 am - 1 pm