

# ST. AGATHA CHURCH BULLETIN

**November 21<sup>st</sup> 2021**

**Feast of Christ the King**

	Sat Nov 27 7:00 pm	Sun Nov 28 9:00 am	Sun Nov 28 11:00 am
<b>Lector/Commentator:</b>	Marnie V.	Lee F.	Mary Anne G.

At this time, lector/commentators are the only ministries being scheduled.

<b>Masses:</b>	Tues, Nov 23	7:45 am	
	Wed, Nov 24	7:45 am	
	Thurs, Nov 25	7:45 am	
	Fri, Nov 26	7:45 am	
	Sat, Nov 27	7:00 pm	For Our Parishioners
	Sun, Nov 28	9:00 am	+ Charles Weikmann requested by Emma Weikmann
		11:00 am	+ Joe Straus requested by Angela Straus and family

**WEEKLY COLLECTION:** Total Last Week: **\$1,805** ( Including \$530 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.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** We encourage everyone who regularly attends St. Agatha Parish to become a registered parishioner. Forms are located at the back of the church.

### **PARISH EMAIL & CONTACT INFORMATION:**

We're currently updating our Parish Data System since many phone numbers & email addresses have changed in recent years. Please email the parish office at [info@stagathachurch.ca](mailto:info@stagathachurch.ca) with current contact information (phone numbers, email addresses as well as home addresses, if those have changed) so that we can update our parish records.

**CONFIRMATION & 1<sup>st</sup> COMMUNION:** Please contact the parish office at [info@stagathachurch.ca](mailto:info@stagathachurch.ca) regarding sacramental preparation for your children who wish to receive the sacraments of Confirmation or First Communion in 2022. Sacramental preparation will be scheduled in the New Year.

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE:** In Canada, most people can speak out freely when injustice is committed. In many countries of the Global South, however, communities are threatened with violence when they seek to protect their rights, especially their right to a healthy environment. This climate of insecurity is often fuelled by the presence and influence of corporations, some of which are Canadian.

Undaunted, many vulnerable communities fight courageously to defend their rights, their lands and the environment against corporate harm. Please sign our online petition at [www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org) to ask the government to implement a law requiring Canadian companies to respect human and environmental rights in their overseas operations.

**RESTART: A SEPARATION & DIVORCE RECOVERY PROGRAM** Feeling the need for support, healing and/or hope after a separation or divorce? The Diocesan ReStart Programs support your journey, providing you with tools to remain healthy. While the program has not been able to run due to COVID restrictions, we will be offering an evening session by zoom on Tues, Dec. 14: Coping with Christmas When Divorced or Separated. To register or to see dates for future courses, please visit <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php>.

For more information contact Teresa at the Family Ministry Office - (905) 528-7988, ext. 2250

**CWL NEWS:** We are excited to be holding a 50/50 draw fundraiser! "Here Comes Santa Claus" tickets are \$5 each. Draw is to be held on December 1st, in time for your Christmas gift shopping. Tickets are available from any of the CWL executive or call Marj Haid at 519-588-1514 and she will arrange e-transfer ticket purchases. Please help us make this a big success by getting in on the draw.

CWL "Here Comes Santa Claus" themed Christmas Dinner is set for December 1st. Tickets will be made available to CWL members after each of the weekend Masses or call Ann Van Niekerk at 519-662-1754, and she will arrange e-transfer ticket purchases. Dinner tickets are \$25. A traditional turkey dinner will be served with entertainment to follow.

### **JOHN MILLER AND FRIENDS - ADVENT CONCERT**

An evening of Advent songs in preparation for Christmas

Sunday, December 5, 2021 at 7 pm

St. Agatha Church

Registration required. Volunteers will be taking registrations after each of the weekend Masses.

**EVENSONG (Evening Prayer):** hosted by *The Sodality of St. Edmund, King and Martyr* (a Catholic Community in the Diocese of Hamilton). **Sunday, November 28** (Last Sunday of each month) at 5 pm at Sacred Heart Church, 66 Shanley Street, Kitchener. For more info, email [info@stedmund.ca](mailto:info@stedmund.ca)

**ECUMENICAL TAIZE SERVICES (NOVEMBER 28)** All are invited to attend these ecumenical Taize Services on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. Each service takes place at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kitchener at 4:00 pm and is followed by an opportunity to enjoy fellowship and pizza from Tiny Home Takeout. People who would like to participate in the choir are invited to arrive at 3:00 pm for a short choir practice. See the KW Ecumenical Services with Taize Songs Facebook page for more information.

### **HEARTACHE TO HEALING—GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP—Coping With Christmas:**

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 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.

Date: **Wed, Dec 1 2021.** Time: 7 – 8:30 pm (doors open at 6:30 pm)

Location: St. Michael Parish (Parish Centre – basement) 80 University Ave W, Waterloo, ON

Registration is required, phone or email our Parish office 519-884-9311 / [parish@stmichaelw.ca](mailto:parish@stmichaelw.ca) All Covid precautionary requirements will be in place. Participants are required to provide contact information and masks must be worn. Please register by Wed, Nov 17, 2021.

Everyone is welcome.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Regular office hours are Tuesday & Thursday from 10am to 2pm. Due to COVID-19 regulations, the Parish Office is open by appointment only at this time. The office will be closed on November 25 and November 30.