

# ST. AGATHA CHURCH BULLETIN

**November 17<sup>th</sup> 2019**

**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

	<b>Sat Nov 23 7:00 pm</b>	<b>Sun Nov 24 9:00 am</b>	<b>Sun Nov 24 11:00 am</b>
<b>Lector:</b>	Sal P.	Ellen L.	Marlene G.
<b>Commentators:</b>	Heidi V.	Andrew D.	Mary Louise C.
<b>Ushers:</b>	Mary & Ken D. Lydia N.	Doug M. Diego V. Joseph W. Sharon W.	John G. Peter M. Len M.
<b>Gift Bearers:</b>	Lisa & Rod S.	Ron & Theresa B.	whoever is available
<b>Eucharistic:</b>	Debbie K.	Barb D.	Gerald F.
<b>Collection:</b>		Lee F. & Connie R.	

<b>Masses:</b>	Tues, Nov 19	7:45 am	Special Intentions
	Wed, Nov 20	7:45 am	Healing for Josef Linke requested by Heinz Brast
	Thurs, Nov 21	7:45 am	Special Intentions
	Fri, Nov 22	7:45 am	Beatification of Founders of the Congregation of the Resurrection
	Sat, Nov 23	7:00 pm	Intentions of Horst & Inge Serschen requested by Michaela Serschen
	Sun, Nov 24	9:00 am	+ Gayle Dubrick requested by Dennis Dubrick
		11:00 am	Intentions of Parishioners
			<b>Baptisms of Clara Nicole Dietrich &amp; Scarlett Martina Davidson-Lint</b>

**WEEKLY COLLECTION:** Budget: \$2,900, Total Last Week: **\$2.335** (Incl \$415 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 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

Meeting regarding **“Notre Dame & Erb’s Road Reconstruction Project”** - Thurs, Nov 21 at 7 pm in the church hall. This will be another information session to let people know about the proposed road changes and how they will affect us in St. Agatha. This meeting is for anyone (not just parishioners) seeking information about the project & those with concerns about the proposed changes. Please spread the word about this meeting to those who may be interested.

**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!

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

**“BABY IT’S COLD OUTSIDE”** ...CWL Christmas Dinner tickets are now available for sale after all Masses for the next three weekends starting today. All women are welcome. This is a full traditional turkey dinner with all the fix’ins. \$20 per person. To be held on Wednesday, Dec 4 in our church hall. Mass at 6 pm with dinner to follow at 6:30. We ask that you each bring with you, a pair of mitts (or socks) to hang on and decorate our “Mitten Tree” cause “Baby, It’s Cold Outside”. All donated mitts and socks will be taken to Wilmot Resource Centre to be distributed to those in need.

**CWL MEMBERSHIPS** are now due (\$25). There will be a member of CWL at the back of church after all Masses for the next 3 weeks, starting today, to collect memberships. Raffle tickets (St. Patrick’s Card Party) will also be at the back of the church for pick up. New members are always welcomed.

Our Service Evening saw 58 gift bags filled and delivered to Wilmot Resource Centre this year. In addition we filled 10 gift bags for Marillac Place. Both were thrilled with our donations that will put smiles on faces for the up-coming season. Thanks to all of you for your generous donations and help that evening.

**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 Apr 25/26. The campaign is aimed at strengthening parishes & 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.

**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

**ST TERESA OF AVILA CHRISTMAS DINNER:** Fri, Dec 6 at St Teresa of Avila Church Hall, 19 Flamingo Dr, Elmira. Meal at 6 pm. Tickets: Adults-\$21, Children 5-12: \$10, 5 & under are free. For tickets call 519-669-3387.