



Monday, January 8 *Baptism of the Lord*

8:00a.m. Intentions of Max

Tuesday, January 9

****Note Time Change****

8:00a.m. Intentions of Donna Ann Sutherland
Liz Angela Singson Intentions of Theresa

Wednesday, January 10

8:00a.m. Ofelia Giavedoni

Thursday, January 11

8:00a.m. Jindrich Drapalik
Michal & Helena Palik

Friday, January 12 *St. Marguerite Bourgeoys*

8:00a.m. Intentions of Michelle

Saturday, January 13 *St. Hilary*

9:00a.m. **No Morning Mass**

5:00p.m. Anna Barcovich Luigi Cavallaro
Paulette MacCormack Elena Di Loreto
Antoinietta Santagapita Mario DiNardo

**Diocesan Prayer Calendar
Week of the January 7th, 2018**

This week we especially pray for:

- Monday Baptism of Our Lord
- Tuesday Rev. George Nowak, C.R.
- Wednesday Consecrated Men and Women
- Thursday Rev. Pawel Szymanowski, C.R.
- Friday Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R.
- Saturday Rev. Brendan McGrath

Loving Father, bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers and sisters. Give those whom You are calling to the married state and those You are choosing to live as single persons in the world the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son so that through Him, with Him, and in Him, we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to the parish through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account. This helps to ensure regular, dependable contributions to the parish. Giving generously, faithfully, and sacrificially not only enables our parish to fulfill the mission of the Church, but it also brings about another important transformation – that which takes place within the heart of the one who gives. In this way, God - who is never outdone in generosity - brings to life the beautiful words of the Prayer of St. Francis: “For it is in giving that we receive.”

For more information or to enroll, please contact the parish office.

Multicultural Mass

The Diocese of Hamilton will be hosting our annual Multicultural Mass on Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. This is sure to be a beautiful celebration. All are welcome to join us for the Mass and the social event which will take place in McNally Hall after the celebration. There will be performances by various ethnic groups, as well as a chance to sample some delicious foods from around the world.



**Healing After Abortion...
It is Possible**

Caring hearts are available to help you deal with the difficult feelings that often come after an abortion. Project Rachel offers a **confidential** service allowing people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850 and let us help you through the healing process.

WHO AM I TO JUDGE

ST. ANN’S ANCASTER, ADULT STUDY SERIES
Who am I to Judge? Come join us here at St. Ann’s for the eight week study session starting on Tuesday, February 13th, 2018 at 7:30pm. More information to follow. Call the parish office to reserve your spot, 905-648-6874.



Rest in Peace

Krystyna Binkley

Jack Russell Kidd

**BAND OF CHRISTIAN BROTHERS
MEN'S CONFERENCE**

On **February 24th** join Hector Molina and Bishop of St. Catharines Gerard Bergie along with hundreds of men for Serviam Ministries' 3rd annual **Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference** at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The theme is "Manly Virtue". It is a one day intensive men's retreat consisting of spiritual talks, Mass, Adoration, Confession, fraternity and prayer. Special father/son rates available. All info and tickets:

<https://www.serviamministries.com/events/virtue/>,
info@ServiamMinistries.com or 1-888-522-2070.



OUT OF THE COLD COFFEE DRIVE

On the weekend of January 20th/21st our parish will be running our annual "Hamilton Out of the Cold - Food Drive". This organization serves hot breakfasts and dinners to the homeless and most vulnerable individuals in our local community, six days per week during the winter season. This year St. Ann's Parish will be collecting "Ground Coffee" as this is the item that the organization is in most need of. Last year you were extremely generous in your support, which is always appreciated.

Marriage Tip

Love flourishes when we understand the three critical components of every relationship: firm commitment, excellent communication skills and disciplined conflict resolution styles. Love demands that we model these three skills for our spouse and includes a healthy dose of forgiveness when either one of us doesn't manage a situation quite right. When we work on building these skills together, our love can't help to grow strong.

**Solemn Evening Prayer for the Week
Of Prayer for Christian Unity**

Evening Prayer for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be hosted here at St. Ann's on Sunday, January 21st at 7:00pm, followed by refreshments and Christian fellowship in the Parish Hall. Please come to celebrate this important week in the Church's year with your fellow Christians, and be sure to bring a friend.

"You cannot be half a saint; you must be a whole saint or no saint at all."
-St. Therese of Lisieux

**DEVELOPMENT & PEACE
2018 SHARE LENT CAMPAIGN**

Our theme: "Building peace through dialogue," join us as we explore how we and those around us can become "artisans of peace".

1-Tuesday, Jan 16, 2018 – 7:00pm, Holy Rosary Parish, Guelph, Ontario

2-Tuesday, Jan 16, 2018 – 7:00pm, Annunciation of Our Lord Parish, Hamilton

3-Wednesday, Jan 17, 2018 – 7:00pm, St Michael's Parish, Oakville

4-Thursday, Feb. 8, 2018, 7:00 pm, Resurrection College, Waterloo

For questions call Rita: 905-525-1198



Envelopes for 2018 are still available in the Parish Centre. Please check the box label to ensure we have your correct name and address. If you would like to support our Parish with a boxed set of envelopes, please call the parish office, 905-648-6874.

**CANADIAN FOOD FOR CHILDREN
SHOE BOX CAMPAIGN**

Dear friends at St. Ann's Parish in Ancaster, we would like to thank you so very much for the lovely gifts you sent for the poor in developing countries. Your support in our work for the poor is greatly appreciated, the gifts were sent to Peru. May God bless you, Gloria.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

God, thank you for a new year. May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate. We know that you are always ready to forgive us. Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires. Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what You want us to do. Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

