

St. John Brébeuf Parish & St. Peter's Mission

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 26, 2023

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Schedule for Tuesday February 28TH to Sunday March 5TH

28	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	For a Special Intention
1	Wednesday	--	No Mass Scheduled – Clergy Lenten Retreat
2	Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Eucharistic Adoration
		7:00 p.m.	Special Intention of Joan Lansdel & Family (Kuebler Family)
3	Friday	9:15 a.m.	Special Intention of Monica Kuebler (Kuebler Family)
			Holy Souls in Purgatory (Kuebler Family)
		7:00 p.m.	Stations of the Cross (Every Friday During Lent)
4	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+ Manuel DeMelo (DeMelo Family)
5	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish
		11:00 a.m.	St. Peter's, Oustic
			For the Living & Deceased Members of the Parish



Join us each Friday during Lent at 7:00 p.m.



Are you interested in serving through one of the Church Ministries? Contact the Parish Office!

DIocese of Hamilton – SERRA CLUB

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com and visit <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS THROUGHOUT OUR DIOCESE	February 27	Rev. Jim Valk, C.R.	March 2	Rev. Sutherland MacDonald
	February 28	Rev. Adam Wroblewicz	March 3	Rev. Philip Reilly, C.R.
	March 1	Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus	March 4	Very Rev. Aleksander Mazur



ONE-DAY LENTEN RETREAT AT OUR PARISH SATURDAY MARCH 11TH 9:30 am to 3:00 pm Parish Hall



Lent is a perfect time to get closer to the Lord by growing in the beatitudes, serving the poor, and caring for the hungry. After 3 years of Covid, more people have been driven to homelessness and are in dear need of our LOVE.

Please donate socks and underwear during Lent, leave them at the back of our church and we will clothe and feed the homeless on Palm Sunday!

The theme is “An Invitation to Transformation” and offers time for reflection on Scripture and poetry, silence and group sharing. It is an opportunity to prepare hearts for the Lenten and Easter season. The cost is \$40 for the day and registration can be done at the back of the church or directly with Heidi Matthews (facilitator) – gsheidim@gmail.com or (519) 855-9516.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH - Parenting Tip 147

Manners matter because they promote respect between your child and every person with whom they engage. Doing so will promote higher self-esteem, making your child feel more confident in all areas of their lives. Manners are both taught and caught, so continually remind them about, as well expect them to use, manners. More importantly, model manners in all you do, including your own interactions with your children. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

HELP FOR EVERY MARRIAGE

Are you frustrated or angry at each other, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times and allows you to rediscover the relationship that drew you together. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples find a better way for their marriage. For confidential information about, or to register for the program, happening the weekend of March 10, 11, 12, 2023 please call 905-664-5212 or email: 1013@helpourmarriage.org or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for “Evenings with His Excellency”. This is an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month, at 7pm - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith, all are welcome.

GUELPH & AREA RIGHT TO LIFE

The 40 Days of Life Guelph Campaign began on Wednesday February 22, 2023! Unite for 40 days of prayer, fasting, and peaceful vigil. Learn more, get involved, and sign up for prayer times by visiting www.40daysforlife.com/guelph.

SHARE LENT – DEVELOPMENT & PEACE – CARITAS CANADA

Land is essential to human life and key to food sovereignty, biodiversity and human dignity. In his messages to popular movements, Pope Francis has highlighted land, work and housing as the main, interconnected social issues of our time. In a world that reduces land to raw material, we must rediscover a spirituality of the land that appreciates the gifts of the land and supports those who are defending it from abuse. This year D & P is highlighting our partners engaged in land defence. All around the world, people are standing up for the gift of the land, a choice that often results in displacement, defamation and even death. As a Catholic solidarity movement, walking on the path of decolonization, let us learn from our partners in the Global South and connect their struggles to the struggles for the land nearer to us, making these struggles our own. **Please give generously on Solidarity Sunday March 25/26!**

COMMUNITY EVENTS – SUPPORT EAST WELLINGTON COMMUNITY SERVICES!

East Wellington Community Services fundraiser will be on Saturday March 11th at the Erin Legion (12 Dundas Street). Doors open at 7:30 pm. Appetizers will be served and it will be a cash bar. Tickets (\$35) are available at the EWCS website: www.ew-cs.com Tickets are limited!

MARCH 5, 2023 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Genesis 12.1-4; Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33; Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1.8b-10; Gospel Acclamation: Luke 9.35; Gospel: Matthew 17.1-9

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A Catholic parish was established in 1873 for the Townships of Erin and Eramosa. IN 1959, Bishop Ryan asked the Jesuits to establish a mission in Erin. Masses were said at the Legion Hall until the Church was opened in 1965, with Jesuit Father Frederick Elliott serving as the pastor until 1981. Since then, the parish has had the following pastors: Father Edward Grace OSA, 1981-1986; Father Charles Lagan SFM, 1986 to 1990; Father Gus Arthurs CSSp, 1990-2001; Father Joe Kelly CSSp, 2001-2015; Father Ralph Diodati, 2015-2017; Father Don Sanvido, 2017-2021; and our current pastor, Father Gordian Okpuruka.

PARISH CONTACTS, GROUPS & LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

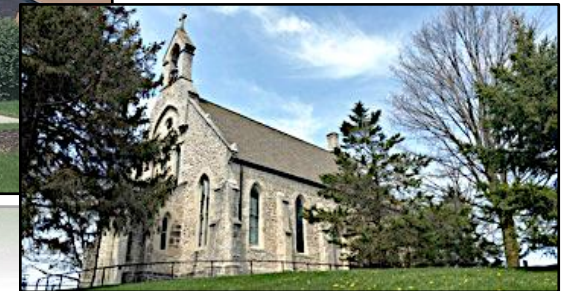
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SOCIAL JUSTICE	Heidi Matthews	(519) 855-9516	
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS	Rick Iannozzi	(519) 278-0125	
PARISH SCHOOL	Principal	(519) 833-9994	School Address:
ST. JOHN BRÉBEUF C.E.S.	Kate Seftel		30 Millwood Road, Erin, ON N0B 1T0

*Interested in starting a new Catholic Women's League (CWL) branch in the Parish?
Contact Fr. Gordian!
519-833-9738*



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OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday – Friday
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Parish Office Assistant & Hours
Sandra Priselac
(519) 278-0125
Tuesday & Thursday
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**
Please contact the Parish Office.
- SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**
Please contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance.
- SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**
Saturday 4:15-4:45 p.m. or by appointment.
- PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK**
Available upon request.
Please contact the Parish Office.
- EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**
Each Thursday at 6:00-7:00 p.m.

WEEKEND MASSES		WEEKDAY MASSES – St. John Brébeuf Parish	
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Wednesday	9:15 a.m.
	11:00 a.m.	Thursday	7:00 p.m.
		Friday	9:15 a.m.

We gladly welcome new parishioners and invite them to pick up a registration form and register!