

EUCCHARIST – THIS WEEK**Monday, August 13**

8:00 am Rosary

8:15 am Morning Prayer

Tuesday, August 14 – St Maximilian Kolbe

8:00 am Rosanna Carrozzella

Wednesday, August 15 – The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 am Int. of Helen Scarcliffe

7:00 pm Geraldine McDonald

Thursday, August 16

8:00 am Int. of Francis Xavier Chang

Friday, August 17

8:00 am Michael Cassidy

Saturday, August 18

5:00 pm Bernadetta Vicano; Joseph Preca & Manuel Aguis; Khang Vu & Thai Vu; Sante Polidori; Int. of Rob Panko; Antonio & Pasqualina Polidori; Bruce & Wayne Brown; Encarnacion Parpan-Trecapelli

Sunday, August 19 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am 11:00 am 7:00 pm

Our Faith Community

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**Hall closed for VBS****Friday, August 17**

Adoration Cancelled this week due to VBS

Saturday, August 18

Reconciliation

4:00 pm

Rosary

4:15 pm

PREPARING FOR NEXT WEEK*Proverbs 9.1-6; Ephesians 5.15-20; John 6.51-58***THIS WEEK'S FAITH COMMUNITY**

Remember in your prayers this week Fr Luke Kopaniak and Our Lady of the Assumption Parish.

THE STORY OF SAINT ROCCO

Saint Rocco was born of noble parentage about 1340 A.D. in Montpellier, France. At birth it was noted that he had a red cross-shaped birthmark on the left side of his chest. As a young child, San Rocco showed great devotion to God and the Blessed mother. At an early age his parents died, leaving him an orphan under the care of his uncle, the Duke of Montpellier. Soon after, San Rocco distributed his wealth among the poor and took a vow of poverty.

At that time, Italy was stricken with a rampant disease. San Rocco cured many people of this dreaded disease by praying for them and making the sign of the cross. During his travels, he too contracted the plague, which was evident by an open sore on his leg. Rocco was banished from the city and took refuge in a cave. Miraculously, a dog that refused to eat faithfully brought him bread as a means of sustenance.

The dog used to live in a nearby castle, and the Lord of the castle, having a curious nature, followed the dog into the woods and discovered Rocco. The nobleman had pity on Rocco and brought him to his castle where Rocco was cured.

FESTA SAN ROCCO**Saturday, August 11, 2018**

St Pius X Church

7:00 pm

Blessing of the Torch of San Rocco and Memorial Mass for the Deceased
Will be celebrated by Msgr Murray Kroetsch

Sunday, August 12, 2018

St Pius X Church

1:00 pm

Solemn Mass will be celebrated by
Fr Peter Ciallella & Fr John Redmond
Followed by

Traditional community procession in honour of
San Rocco

The procession starts at St Pius X, proceeds on Wood Street to St Paul's Avenue, Charing Cross, King George Road, Wood Street and back to the church for the distribution of bread.

LIONS PARK**5:00 pm to 11:00 pm**

Soccer Games – first game starts at 6:00 pm
 Bocce Tournament, Children's Activities, Draw
 Variety Show featuring Vinz Derosa,
 Claudio Santaluce and Pierina Cincinnato
 Spectacular Fireworks!

San Rocco traveled through northern Italy for a few more years before returning to his birthplace in France. So weak and sick from suffering, the townspeople did not recognize him and he was thrown into jail as a spy. He remained in prison for five years.

On August 16, 1378, a guard entered his cell and found San Rocco near death. The dungeon was illuminated with a blue light radiating from his body. Upon hearing this, the Governor demanded to know San Rocco's identity. San Rocco faintly replied "I am your nephew Rocco". Only one thing could prove that, so he had him disrobed and the red cross-like mark was visible on the left side of his chest. The Governor and the townspeople present in the cell then believed. A voice from paradise was heard announcing that San Rocco's soul had merited immortal glory in Heaven. Even after his death, San Rocco performed many miracles.

San Rocco is venerated in the Roman Catholic Church as the protector against the plague and all contagious diseases. The statue of Saint Rocco is considered unique among theologians because of his pose. It is most unusual because it depicts him with his hand pointing to an open sore on his leg. Few images of saints expose any afflictions or handicaps. His body is enclosed in a glass tomb in the church of San Rocco in Venice, Italy. We commemorate the death of this great follower of Christ on August 16 of each year.



YOUTH MINISTRY CORNER



UPCOMING YOUTH PROGRAMMING

YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAMMING 2018/2019

Youth Ministry is open to students in grades 6 to 12. There is no cost to be part of the group; there is only a cost for trips.

Details and forms for upcoming trips can be found on the calendar page for Youth Ministry at www.stpius.ca/youth:

- Ti-Cats Faith & Family Night – **September 29th**
- Halloween for Hoodies – **October 27th & 31st**
- Care Package Creation – **December 8th**
- Advent Party – **December 15th**
- Parish Christmas Event – **January 13th**
- Kookies for Kenya – **February 8th**
- Rock- Climbing – **March 2nd**
- Stations of the Cross Rehearsal – **April 3rd & 10th**
- Stations of the Cross – **April 12th**
- “Earth Day” Cleanup – **April 27th**
- Diocesan Youth Rally – **May 25th**
- Year-End Recap & Social – **June 8th**

CONFIRMATION DATES

Young people entering Grade 7 or 8 who have not been confirmed, mark these dates on your calendar.

Wednesday, September 19th – Initial Parent & Candidate Meeting at 7:00 pm

Sessions: Wednesday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. **October 10th to November 28th**.

Confirmation – **Monday, November 26th** at 7:00 pm

FIRST SACRAMENTS DATES

Make note of these important dates if your child wishes to receive First Holy Communion.

December 5, 2018 – Initial Parent & Child meeting

December 14, 2018 – Registration Forms Due

January 9, 2019 – Reconciliation Catechetical Mtg.

February 16, 2019 – First Reconciliation Retreat

February 23, 2019 – First Reconciliation

March 20, 2019 – Communion Catechetical Meeting

A large portion of the preparation program will take place in the home. It is important that the parent **and** child attend each session.

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Are you or your child wishing to become Catholic? There are different processes for children under 7 years of age, 7 to 16 years of age, and adults. Contact the office for more information.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, August 13	Rev. Jan Michalski, S.Chr.
Tuesday, August 14	Rev. Juan Carlos Saenz
Wednesday, August 15	Congregation of The Resurrection (C.R.)
Thursday, August 16	Very Rev. Jerzy Tomon
Friday, August 17	Rev. Joseph LeClair
Saturday, August 18	Rev. Leszek Szczygiel



WELCOME TO OUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

We welcome the following child to the household of faith through the waters of Baptism: **Matthew Louis Sant**. Let us pray that he will continue to grow in faith.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY THIS FALL

Our Children's Liturgy program will be returning at the 9 am and 11 am Masses this September. The new schedule will be put together in mid-August. If you would be interested in volunteering as a leader with our program please contact Andrew Beach at 519-753-8439 ext.228 or pastoralassociatesp@gmail.com

MONEY COUNTERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to join a team to assist with counting our Parish weekly offerings. The time commitment would be a few hours on a Sunday morning every five weeks.



ST PIUS X C.W.L. FALL & CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

We would like to extend an invitation to you to attend our Bazaar on **Saturday, October 14th** from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm in our Parish Hall. Watch the bulletin for more information about this annual event.

VOCATION SEEDS

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven." Each of us must be a living sign and symbol of God's presence within us. If you are willing to witness Christ with your life as a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 x2246 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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