

**JANUARY 29, 2012 - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH**

Readings	Liturgy	Intention	Please Pray for
Sunday, January 29 Deuteronomy 18.15-20 1 Corinthians 7.32-35 Mark 1.21-28	Mass - 8:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Our Parish Community Our Parish Community Our Parish Community	
Monday, January 30 2 Samuel 15.13-14, 30; 16.5-13a Mark 5.1-20	No Mass		Rev. Peter Knaapen, O.F.M. Conv.
Tuesday, January 31 <i>St. John Bosco</i> 2 Samuel 18.9-10, 14b, 24-26a, 30 - 19.3++ Mark 5.21.43	No Mass		Rev. Reto Davatz, O.F.M. Conv.
Wednesday, February 1 2 Samuel 24.2, 9-17 Mark 6.1-6	Mass - 8:30 a.m. Mass - 11:00 a.m. - Heritage Green Nursing Home	John Serafini Robert Shipley	Our Parish Community
Thursday, February 2 <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i> Malachi 3.1-4 Luke 2.22-40	Mass - 8:30 a.m.	Spec. Int. of Carol Skarda Olindo Ercole Giuseppe Capoferri Sante Zenone	Rev. Antonio Cunha
Friday, February 3 <i>St. Blase, St. Ansgar</i> Sirach 47.2-11 Mark 6.14-29	No Mass		Rev. Ireneusz Koziak, S.A.C.
Saturday, February 4 1 Kings 3.4-13 Mark 6.30-34	4:00 - 4:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	Rev. Jacek Kryn, S.A.C.
	Mass - 5:00 p.m.	Elisa Iacobucci Leonardo Carlos Cosimo Galletti Peter Comerton Dina Veronica Bertolo Deceased Members of the Chiaravalloti Family	

The Week in Preview

Monday, January 30

7:00 p.m. CWL Choir

Tuesday, January 31

9:30 a.m. Scripture Study

6:15 p.m. Legion of Mary

Thursday, February 2

6:30 p.m. Children's Choir

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

Saturday, February 4

10:00 a.m. Music Ministry

Collection for January 21/22, 2012

Regular - \$5,500.50

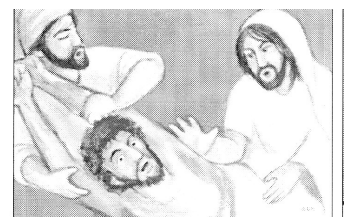
Renovation Fund - 165.00



REGISTRATION

The Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board will be accepting new registrations for Junior Kindergarten commencing the first week of February. Catholic schools are ready to welcome your child to an academic, spiritual and social journey that will last a lifetime. An information package for parents/guardians is available upon request from your parish school.

In the synagogue was a man with an unclean spirit; he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are – the Holy One of God!" Jesus rebuked him and said "Quiet! Come out of him. – Mk 1:23-25



JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN

SCARBORO MISSIONS

“Come and See” - Discernment Retreat

Ever thought of serving Christ as a missionary priest or a lay missionary? Like to learn more about the vocation to global mission? Join us on February 19th at Scarboro Missions, 2685 Kingston Road, Scarborough, ON. Come, pray and reflect with us on the missionary vocation for our world today. It's a weekend that may change your life forever! To register please call 416 261-7135, ext. 265 or 250 or [email:lmo@scarboromissions.ca](mailto:lmo@scarboromissions.ca). Cost is \$100 (\$50 non-refundable deposit is required). Subsidized costs available. Registration deadline is February 10, 2012.

From the Diocesan Family Ministry Office.....

● **Learning to Cope (Level 1)** is a ten week support program starting Tuesday, February 28th, 7 - 9:30 p.m. for persons experiencing the trauma of a separation or divorce. Cost is \$35.00.

● **Keys to Loving Relationships** is a ten week video-based program meant for anyone, married or single, who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. The program runs Thursday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. starting March 1st at the Chancery Office, 700 King Street West. The cost is \$45.00.

For more information or to register for either of these programs, please call the Family Ministry Office at 905 528-7988, ext. 2249.

Salt + Light

Cardinal Nguyen VanThuan: Road of Hope

Sunday, February 5, 1:00 p.m.

This documentary about Cardinal Francis Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan takes you into the life of this political prisoner of the Communist regime in Vietnam. For thirteen years, nine of which he spent in solitary confinement, Cardinal Van Thuan's remarkable faith sustained he would celebrate Mass in secret. His spiritual writings, penned on the back of old calendars, have spread throughout the world inspiring millions.

24th ANNUAL ACT RETREAT DAY

February 11, 2012

St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 715 Centre Rd. Waterdown
The day will begin at 9:00 a.m. closing with Mass at 5:00 p.m. celebrated by Fr. Ted Slaman. This year's theme is **God Wants to Use You to do the Impossible** with guest speaker Dr. Anthony Campo, M.D. This very spiritual day filled with prayer, reflection and personal growth is open to healthcare professionals as well as the general public. Registration is \$35 before February 6th or \$45 at the door. For more details please call Lucienne at 905 573-3390 or Jennie at 905 335-6902.

Catholic Children's Aid Society

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED!!!

Responsible and caring volunteers to drive children to and from appointments, family visits, school, camp, etc. are needed. ***Evening drivers are urgently needed!***

- times are flexible around your schedule
- mileage will be reimbursed
- ongoing commitment required
- current police check required

If you are interested please call Lisa Hostein, Volunteer and Development Coordinator at 525-2012, ext. 3256, lisa.hostein@hamiltonccas.on.ca.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Athletes put hours into practice. It is not enough just to play the game. In practice a person learns the moves, discovers how muscles respond, trains all aspects of his or her body, and over time becomes so proficient at the selected sport that she or he can intuitively react during play. Practice in sports helps the athlete develop self-confidence. The same holds true for the musician, the salesperson, the new teacher. When an individual takes up something new he or she may initially be a bit shaky at it. Over time, we develop the skills so that something becomes second nature. A confident team takes to the field or the court with the belief that they will win.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is the confident, self-assured teacher. Yes, he works a miracle. But before we get caught up in that, we should look at how Mark portrays him. Right at the beginning of the Gospel, Jesus enters the synagogue in Capernaum and starts to teach. Unlike scribes who would appeal to the words of Jewish teachers to support their teaching, Jesus comes across as confident in his own authority. He has no need to reference what others have handed on. Instead, his teaching commands respect because he shows its truth through his deeds.

Like the athlete who is confident in his game, we can become confident in our faith by practicing it. As we see in the Gospel from the very first chapter of Mark, Jesus was confident in both word and deed. We can do the same. By reading the Scriptures regularly we become attuned to Christ's teaching. We absorb the knowledge, just as any good athlete memorizes all the plays. And by acting on Christ's teaching through our worship of God and love of neighbour we are performing the deeds of faith. The skills become second nature as we put into practice what we have been taught by Christ.

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