

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule & Intentions: February 17th – February 23rd, 2020

Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	Mass for the intentions of Dennis Warner requested by Luigi & Finetta Gucciardi
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Mass for Norma Legere requested by Darrel & Marina Legere
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Mass for Michael Royle requested by The Parente Family
Friday	8:00 a.m.	Mass for Regina Lemos requested by Joe Lemos
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Mass for the intentions of Trish Turtell requested by Georgette Harris Mass for Betty Piche requested by Paul Bachand Mass for Arlene Van Veen requested by Gerard Van Veen
Sunday	9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo/Mass for the People of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Mass for Ron Futher requested by Ann Futher

INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Official receipts for Income Tax - **Re: 2019**
Contributions to our Parish are ready to be picked up
in the Narthex. Thank you.



St. Thomas Outreach continue to **collect prescription eye glasses and sunglasses**. Kindly bring your gently used prescription eye glasses, cases and sunglasses and put them in the collection box in the Narthex. Your donations will be used in a 5 day eye glasses clinic being held in Corozal, Belize in May. Thank you for supporting this worthy outreach initiative.

The Jammers will be collecting new or gently used 250ml and 500ml jars in preparation of the jamming sessions this year. Kindly, leave your donated jars in the Narthex in the green Jammers box. We appreciate your donation as these offset a major expense for us. Thanking you in advance for your continued support of the



St. Thomas Jammers.



If you know someone in the parish that is sick in the hospital or at home, going for surgery, aged, dying or in need physically, emotionally or spiritually, who would like to receive Holy Communion or a visit from our Parish Nurse, Debbie Mazzaferro, please call the office at **905-689-4857**.



INFANT JESUS DAY CARE

Operated by the Sisters of St. John the Baptist: Looking for a warm and caring second home for your child? Full time and part time spaces available. Ages 18 months to 4years. Open Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. **Before/After school spaces also available for students of Guardian Angels School, 6-12 yrs.** Located at 717 Centre Rd, Waterdown. To register call Sr. Patricia at (905)690-9605 e-mail: srs.waterdowndaycare@gmail.com

DAY of PRAYER

St Catherine of Siena (Corpus Christi Site)

Hamilton, Ontario

Friday, February 14, 2020 9:00 to 2:30 (mass 9am)

Tea, coffee, muffins on arrival

Bring a bag lunch & coffee mug

To Register: please call or e-mail **905-388-3966**

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Serra Club Annual Dinner

Celebrate the anniversaries of Priests, Consecrated/Religious Brothers and Sisters who have served 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 + years in the Diocese of

Hamilton with members of the Serra Club on Tuesday **April 28, 2020** at Liuna Station. Those called to ordination or to profess final vows will also be present. For more information: contact Margaret Carreiro at celebrationprl@gmail.com or via celebrationprl.wixsite.com.

Parish Prayer Chain: Do you or someone you know need prayers right now; would you like us to pray for you or somebody dear to your heart; would you like to express a heartfelt gratitude? If so, you can email, text or phone your request to our prayer chain. If you are interested in becoming a PRAYER, please contact: Debbie at st.thomasprayerchain@gmail.com or call or text at 905-741-3270. All requests are kept strictly confidential. God bless



DENNINGER RECEIPTS & CANADIAN TIRE MONEY

Planning for our 2020 Bazaar, remember us and save your Denninger Receipts and Canadian Tire Money. We use these as Gift Cards for the Penny Sale at our Bazaar. Kindly place them in the container in the foyer throughout the Year.



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Grief Support Drop In:

Because of the great sadness the parish feels with the passing of our Pastor, Fr. Tim, the Parish Nurse will offer an evening of prayer and reflection for parishioners to come and share thoughts of Fr. Tim with each other on Tuesday February 18, 2020 at 7pm.



The St. Thomas Social Outreach will be collecting gently used **wooden** toys and puzzles for the Infant Jesus Daycare. If you have any at home that are no longer being used, would you kindly bring them to the Narthex and leave at the table set up for this collection. Thank you so much for your assistance in helping Outreach with this initiative.

Has your child experienced the death of someone close to them? Camp Keaton is a bereavement camp for children and youth (7-17 years of age) offering a safe environment to talk about grief, for finding out you are not alone and for building a toolbox of coping skills and resources. Camp Keaton runs from Friday, June 5th to Sunday, June 20th, with the deadline for applying being March 27, 2020. Contact Karen at 905-387-2448 ext. 2208, or e-mail to knowicki@kemphospice.org. For a camper application go to: <https://kemphospice.org/camp-keaton/register>.

DON'T MISS THIS RARE OPPORTUNITY!

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Stoney Creek will be hosting a Lenten Retreat with Rwandan Genocide Survivor's message of FORGIVENESS, HEALING & HOPE. Immaculee will share her powerful journey through remarkable personal testimony. Witness the life-saving power of faith and the Rosary, as she huddled with seven other women in a cramped bathroom for 91 days while killers lurked just outside the door. FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 4-9PM; SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 8:30AM -12:30 PM. Registration: www.immaculee.com; click on "shop/events" then select "Retreats"

BEACH BUFFET BREAKFAST

Saturday, February 22, 2020 - 8 a.m. – 12 noon
Freelton United Church, 155 Freelton Rd., Freelton.
Serving delicious pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, muffins, fruit & more.
Tickets available at the door; \$10 per person, \$7 for children 5 - 12 yrs.

Dear Parishioners of St. Thomas the Apostle Parish,

The dismissal greeting at the end of the Mass of Christian burial is: "Dear Friends may every mark of affection and every gesture of friendship that you give to others be a sign of God's peace for you." That beautiful greeting was truly manifested this week in the countless ways that you, the Parish Community, responded to the sudden death of your Pastor, Father Timothy Hingston. It is always difficult to translate into words what is written in the heart so please accept my inadequate words of appreciation to the Parish Staff, members of the Catholic Women's League, the Knights of Columbus, the students from our schools, for the members of the music ministry, the Altar Servers, Lectors, and special words of gratitude to your former Pastor, Father Wayne Lobsinger for his valued assistance and advice, and to all who came to the visitation to offer their condolences to Fr. Tim's family, and to the many who participated in the Mass of Christian Burial. Your presence and prayers were truly a demonstration of your love for the priesthood and the church, thank you. Father Tim's last Mass and homily were on the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord in the Temple, as he was proclaiming the Gospel and reading the words of Simon, "Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word: for my eyes have seen your salvation," not knowing that hours later these words would be fulfilled in his life. May he rest in the peace of Jesus, the Eternal High Priest.

Until the end of June it is my privilege and honour to be the Administrator of your Parish. Through the intercession of St. Thomas the Apostle may we strive to continue to live the profound words of the dismissal greeting.

God bless you,

Monsignor Edward D. Sheridan

St. Thomas pray for us