

All Soul's Day

November 2, 2025



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May the souls of the
faithful departed,
through the mercy of
God, rest in peace.

PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Jeff Bergsma

PERMANENT DEACON: Rev. Mr. Ed MacIntosh

Administrative Assistant: Deb MacIntosh

Focus: *Hope and trust in the Lord ease our sorrow for the loss of our loved ones.*

The loss of a loved one brings with it sorrow due to a deeply felt absence in our daily life. We mourn the separation, even when it was not unexpected. But the pain of our loss is tempered and eased by our hope and trust in the Lord, in his mercy, and in his promise to grant eternal life to those who believe in him. We cooperate with him by praying for those who have died and asking the Lord to bring them swiftly to himself.

ST. AGNES PARISH POINSETTIA SALE

HELP SPREAD THE WORD!

- Purchase as gifts for friends, family, customers and clients.
- Invite others to order.
- Collect orders from your place of work to support St. Agnes parish (ask for a team sheet).

Our poinsettias are greenhouse quality for longer life, competitively priced and come in a variety of colours and sizes.

Flowers from Warren's Greenhouses in your choice of red, pink or white.

There are three sizes:

4.5 inch: great for small areas, small tables and centerpieces;

6 inch: great for tables and centerpieces;

8 inch: make a statement in entrances, on floors and large tables.

Note: Every effort will be made to obtain your colour choice; in rare cases a substitution may occur.

Orders are due Sunday, November 16th by the end of the 7pm Mass.

Payment is due upon pickup, by cash or cheque only (payable to St. Agnes Parish).

Order pickup Dec. 6/7 after all masses.



Thank you for your participation and support!

The St. Agnes Parish Poinsettia Sale 2025

<u>Pricing:</u> (including HST)	
4.5 inch	\$8.00
6 inch	\$15.00
8 inch	\$30.00

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Orders must be placed by Sunday Nov. 16th

- Place order in green Poinsettia Order bag at rear of church or in Sunday Collection.
- Drop off to office or email to: office@saintagnescatholicchurch.org
- Pick up dates: Saturday Dec. 6/7th after all masses
- Payment: Cash or cheque (Payable to St. Agnes Church) due at pick up
- Order form available at www.saintagnescatholicchurch.org under 'Events'

Size of Plant	Colour	Quantity	Cost	Total
Total purchase:				

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

SPECIAL MESSAGE FROM THE CWL:

All CWL members are invited to an afternoon general meeting on Wednesday, November 5 at 11:30am. We will be serving a delicious hot lunch beginning at 11:30, followed by a general meeting and social. Our plan is to wrap things up by 1:30, but if you are dropping in on your lunch break feel free to pop by for a bite and fellowship and then head back to work. This is a great opportunity for our seniors to attend a daytime meeting and we'll get you back home in time for afternoon tea.

With the warm weather we have been having, it's hard to think about Christmas, but we are asking you to start sorting through your boxes marked "Xmas" and pulling out items for our Christmas Swap and Shop on November 15. Bring your Christmas trees, wreaths, decorations, tablecloths, holiday potholders and miscellaneous Christmas items you've collected or been gifted through the years. This is a great opportunity to share your loved items with others who are finding Christmas a tough time to splurge on extras. Share your Christmas items and make space in your basement at the same time! If you have large items you would like to donate, please call Tammy at 519-725-4431 or Julie at 519-746-5114. But first, see you all at the general meeting on November 5!

Are you feeling sluggish in your faith?



Are you ready to take action and get to know Jesus more intimately; to renew and strengthen your faith? Recharge your spiritual batteries on a three-day retreat learning about your faith through a program of renewal and friendship called CURSILLO (a Spanish word for "*short course*"). CURSILLO was started in the 1940's and has spread to millions of people around the world!

Weekends take place at a retreat centre in Deemerton near Walkerton, but no worries – your transportation will be provided for you. The next **WOMEN's weekend is November 20th – 23rd, 2025**. Please contact Marg Weber at 416-427-7102 for information or to register. marg.weber@sympatico.ca



Holy Land Wood Art is coming back to St. Agnes! On November 8/9 Bethlehem's Christian community is selling handcrafted olive wood religious artifacts. Your purchase contributes to supporting and strengthening the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

jihanwoodart@hotmail.com

DEVELOPMENT and PEACE: Mercy - The heart of Justice is the theme for a one-day retreat being held on Saturday, November 8th at St. Brigid's Villa (Ignatius Spirituality Centre) in Guelph. Registration: 9:00 am; retreat from 9:30 to 3:30 pm. Potluck lunch. Free parking, coffee/tea provided. Cost is \$30.00. Sponsored by Development and Peace. To register, please contact Patti at pattitusch@gmail.com before October 31st.

DILEXI TE: On Love for the Poor is the title of the first Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Leo XIV. *It highlights the Church's love for the poor in scripture, tradition, Church teaching and pastoral practice. It calls us to listen to the cry of the poor amidst the great crises of our time, to encounter them, to walk with them. Thus, the relationship between the very mission of the Church and our personal as well as communal responses becomes clearer and stronger. (From a letter penned by Cardinal Michael Czerny, S.J., Prefect of Integral Human Development, October 2, 2025.)*

LECTURES IN CATHOLIC EXPERIENCE: Since 1982, the Lectures in Catholic Experience have brought leading scholars, activists, religious leaders and other professionals to St. Jerome's to offer opportunities to engage with the critical issues of our time, particularly as they intersect with faith and the life of the Church. This year's theme is **"Living Mission on the Margins."** Each lecture is hosted in the Notre Dame Chapel on the St. Jerome's campus and is free and open to the community to attend. Lectures can be attended in-person, streamed live online or viewed in perpetuity on YouTube. The full list of lectures for the 2025-2026 academic year can be found here: www.sju.ca/lce

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

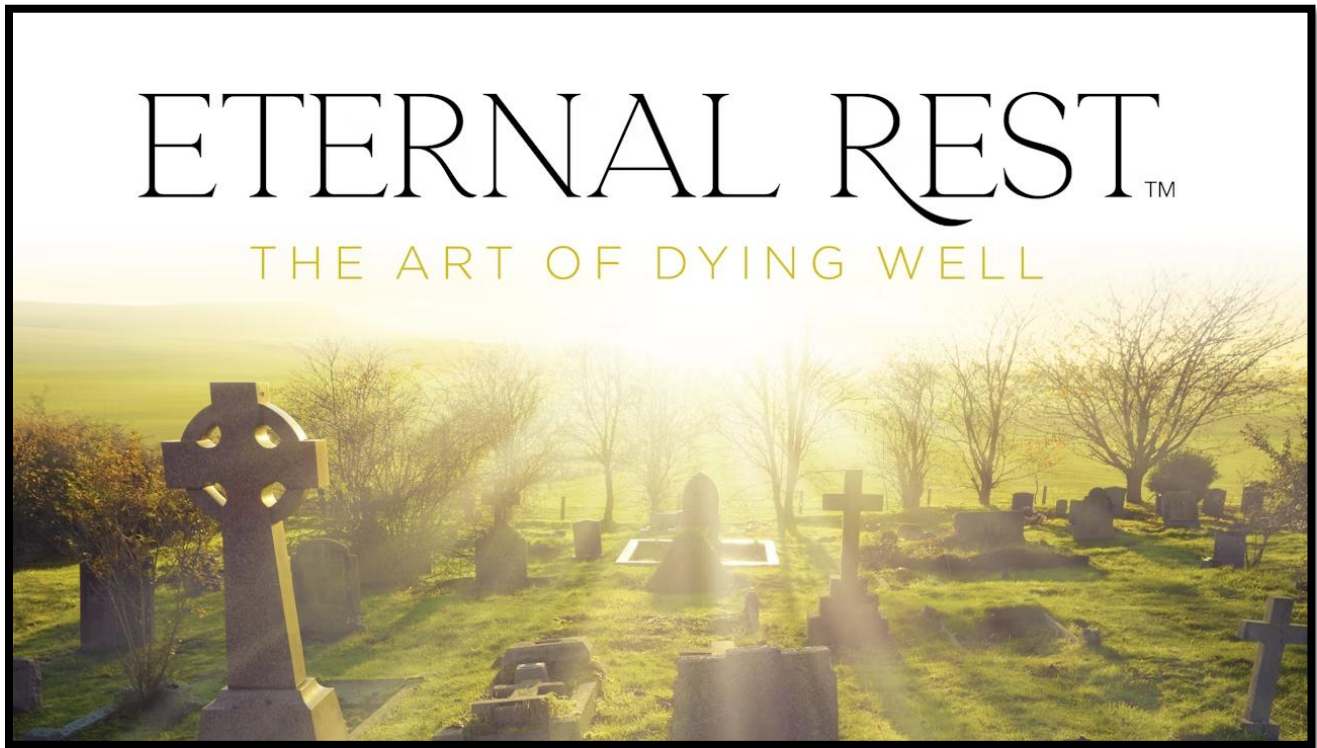
REKINDLING THE LIGHT: A RETREAT DAY FOR BUSY MINISTERS The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is very pleased to offer a full-day retreat for all adult ministry leaders on **Saturday, November 15, 2025**, at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, Cambridge. Join us for a day of prayer and sharing of the graces of pastoral ministry. Registration and further details can be found here: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/>

THE CATECHETICAL CORRESPONDENCE PROGRAM for the Diocese of Hamilton provides ongoing religious education programs for children in grades Kindergarten through to 12. These programs are available for any children who are enrolled in public, private or homeschool settings. To learn more about our programs and for registration, visit us here: <https://bit.ly/catechesiscourses> .

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT: Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations during the Advent Season. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, December 6th** at Holy Cross Church (14400 Argyll Rd, Georgetown, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

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Join us in November for a new series with Father Jeff:



We all have very real questions about death.

What happens when we die?

What does Scripture teach about death?

How do we prepare for the life to come?

Eternal Rest is a four-part series exploring death, dying, and eternal life from a Catholic perspective.

It examines the origin of death, the afterlife, and the sacrament leading to eternal life, presenting the Church's teachings with compassion and truth to help participants prepare for life after death in the light of Jesus Christ.

WHEN: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 11, 18 & 25

WHERE: PARISH CENTRE

TIME: 7 PM – 8:15 PM

Mass Schedule



Mondays – **no Mass**

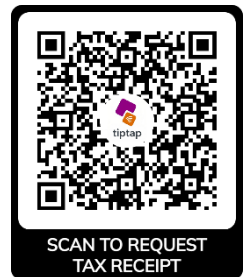
Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Saturdays **9am**; Thursdays & Fridays **7pm**

Lord's Day Masses:

Saturday **5pm**; Sunday **9am, 11am & 7pm**

Holy Hour: Thursdays at **6pm**

Reconciliation: Saturdays at **4pm** or by appointment



E-transfers can be made to St. Agnes Parish at any time.

Send to stagneswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com

Please remember to put your first AND last name in the memo line or we cannot send you a tax receipt.

MASS INTENTIONS for November 2 – November 9

SUNDAY	9am	Pro Populo	
	11am	†Anette Gomes †Anna Maria Dinh	Victor & Marg Brito Doahn Nguyen Family
	7pm	†Michael Felix	Mother
TUESDAY	9am	†Holy Souls in Purgatory	Margaret Boland
WEDNESDAY	9am	†Allison Wilson	McDonald Family
THURSDAY	7pm	+Pallottine Priests & Seminarians	Friends of the Pallottines
FRIDAY	7pm	†Priests & Religious	Stephan
SATURDAY	9am	†Holy Souls in Purgatory	Hoang Family
	5pm	Thanks to Our Lady of Fatima	Freire Family
SUNDAY	9am	Pro Populo	
	11am	†Simone Boyer †Anna Maria Mung & †Tuyet Dinh	Carol Levis Chien Dinh
	7pm	†Anna Van Dalen	Messent Family

Contact Us

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