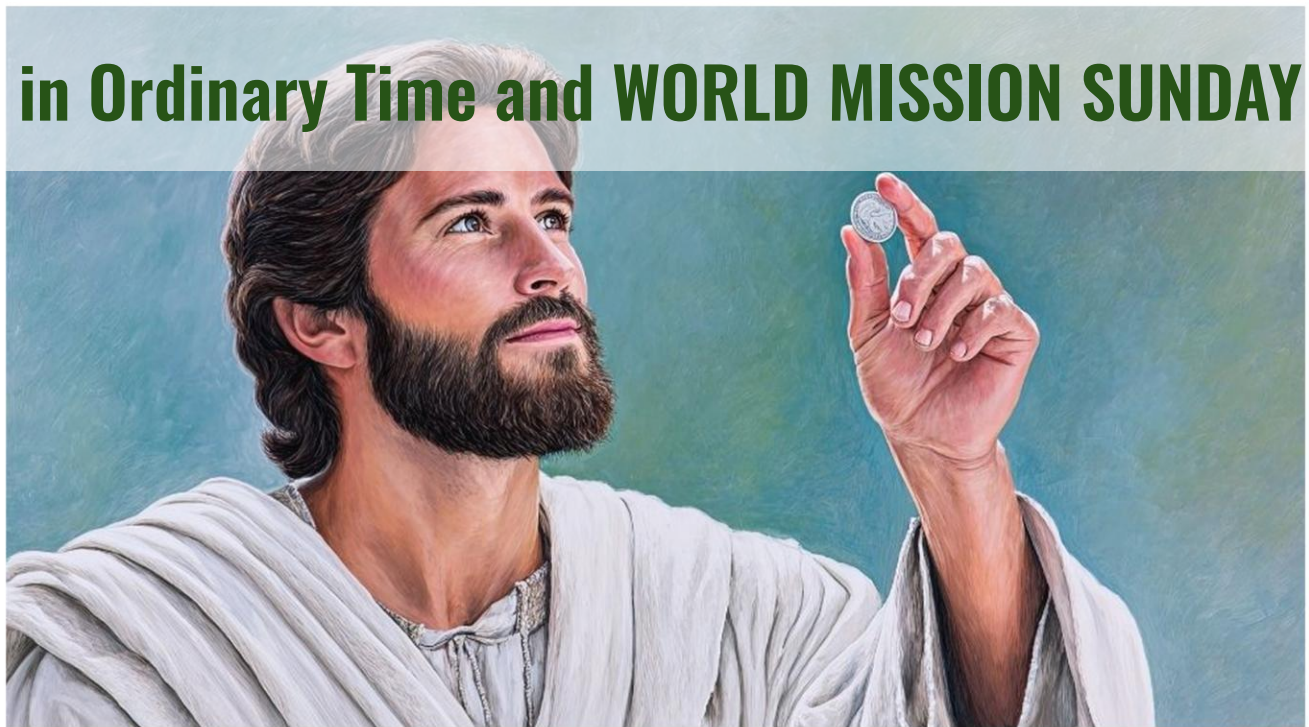


29th SUNDAY

in Ordinary Time and WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



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Focus: *Trust and faithful living*

God rules over every power and works through all people and nations. Faith, love, and hope shape how we live. Our hearts belong to God. We must strive to fulfill our duties with honesty and sincerity, trusting God above every earthly power. Complete one daily responsibility faithfully and offer it to God.

“Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God.”
- (Matthew 22:21)

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NEWS & EVENTS at ST. AGNES PARISH

Where everyone is welcome!

Abraham looked up and there in a thicket he saw a ram caught by its horns. He went over and took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering instead of his son.
- **Genesis 22:13**

WHEN GOD INTERVENES: If you claim nothing as your own, including your own life, you can expose the illusion of control and the false basis of war and violence by refusing any compromise with evil. Thus, the self-emptied person is the true revolutionary in the world. How might we stand aside from all our demands and desires in this age of consumerism and militarism and seek peace within – peace for our immediate community and peace for the world?
- **Henri Nouwen**



PICK UP YOUR FRESH APPLE PIE THIS WEEKEND!!!

POINSETTIA SALES RETURN THIS YEAR - [ORDER NOW!](#)



Mark the dates in your Christmas planner to support St. Agnes Parish with your purchase of Christmas poinsettias again this year! Orders/Sales have begun and will finish on November 8th. Flowers will arrive for the first week of December. Go to [EVENTS](#) for pricing and sizes.

BECOMING CATHOLIC – RCIA BEGINS! Have you, a friend or a relative, thought of becoming Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation – RCIA may be right for you. Contact us if you are interested as our program is beginning next week. Our candidates and prayer partners are looking forward to a fruitful year - Please keep them in your prayers!

CANADIAN ROSARY BRIGADE: Rosary makers wish to invite members of our Parish to join us in leading the making of rosaries in our Catholic schools. We are visiting two schools in early November and could really use a few more hands to help us help the students make their own rosary. Please contact Marilynne for more information canadianrosarybrigade@gmail.com.

ST. AGNES PARISH has agreed to sponsor **October 24th** as our day to take part in this campaign by keeping vigil at Freeport Hospital from 8am – 6pm. At LEAST 2 people are needed to sign up for each hour and that means we still need **8 more people** to help. At the entrance of the church, you will see **Adopt-a-Day sign up** sheets on the table. Please consider signing up for one or more hours on October 24th. Vigil Location: Outside Freeport Hospital at 3570 King Street East, Kitchener.



St. Agnes Parish Adopt-a-Day is October 24th, 2026

Contact: Evy at 40DaysKw@gmail.com or 519-598-1588
www.40daysforlife.com/kitchener

Join us TODAY!

**ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFÉ is this Sunday afternoon,
from 2 – 3:30pm with a dynamic presentation
by Fr. Michael King**

THE MANY FACES OF EVIL:

Wounded by Sin – Saved by the Sacraments.

We need not look far to see the growing presence of evil around us fuelled by pride, greed and a hunger for power and pleasure, while we replace the truth of God for lies. Raging wars, violent crime, attacks on religious institutions, “us vs. them” mentality, attacks on the family & sacredness of human life.

Sometimes blatant, often subtle – *evil exists.*

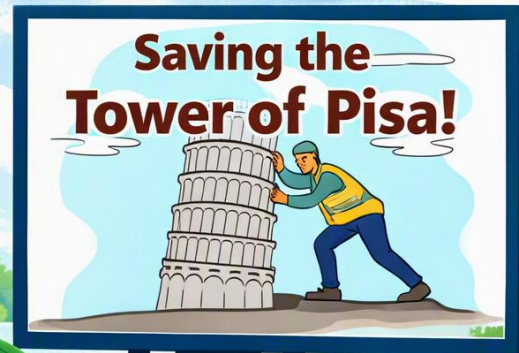
Through the gift of our faith, with prayer & frequent participation in the sacraments, we are well equipped to face temptation and win the spiritual battles that arise.



Men's Social Hour

Join us on

**Monday, October 26th
at 1pm**



CONFERENCE ROOM – enter by back doors

Please call John Vogan at 226-978-4013 for more information.

St. Agnes Youth Group

upcoming events

All are welcome

Open to youth in grades 6-10.

October

- October 25, Regular Meeting
time: 6:30pm – 8:00pm
- Reflection Topic: The Greatest Commandment
- Group Jeopardy Competition

November

- November 24, Regular Meeting
time: 6:30pm – 8:00pm
- Reflection Topic: Lives of the Saints
- Movie Night! Join us for a great movie about a famous Saint
- Popcorn and other snacks provided

RSVP to: knolan@rogers.com



Artwork: Deca from Magnifica Humanitas by Pope Leo XIV

"We live in a time in which it has become difficult to even recognize that which is truly good for everyone. This is why, the Church, rooted in Christ, is called to guard places of encounter, of listening, and of dialogue in which a renewed culture of the common good may develop."

Pope Leo XIV

A Renewed Culture of the Common Good:

Building a Civilization of Love with Pope Leo XIV

**Wednesday,
October 21, 2026 at 7:30pm**

While *Magnifica Humanitas* drew notice in the popular media as the Catholic Church's response to the social impacts of artificial intelligence, Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical is much more than a narrow tract on technology. *Magnifica Humanitas* is also a robust history of the Church's social teaching tradition and the most systematic presentation of the principles of the Church's social doctrine to ever appear in a papal encyclical. Through his exploration of the common good, Pope Leo provides the tools we need to work together to build a civilization of love where persons and communities can truly flourish. In this lecture, Fr. Kuntz will explore how *Magnifica Humanitas* teaches us to pursue "a renewed culture of the common good" in a pluralistic and polarized culture.

Free Event. All Welcome.

Location:

Bishop John Michael Sherlock Auditorium at
St. Peter's Seminary, 1040 Waterloo St., London Ontario



Presented by Fr. Jason Kuntz

Rev. Jason Kuntz was born and raised in Walkerton, Ontario, where he grew up on his family's pig and cattle farm. He entered priestly formation for the Diocese of Hamilton in 2001, studying at St. Philip's Seminary and St. Augustine's Seminary in Toronto. Fr. Jason was ordained a priest at Christ the King Cathedral in Hamilton in 2008. From 2008 to 2018, Fr. Jason served parishes in Milton, Owen Sound, Farmosa, and Oakville. In 2018, he left parish ministry to pursue a Licentiate in Moral Theology at the Università de San Tommaso d'Aquino in Rome, Italy, which he completed in 2020 with his thesis, "The root causes of and the remedies for fear in the Summa Theologiae of St. Thomas Aquinas." He joined the formation team at St. Peter's Seminary in 2020 and was appointed Vice-Rector for Formation in the summer of 2023.

2026 | A.P. MAHONEY LIBRARY LECTURE

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

October: A Month of Prayer for Vocations

For more information, visit hamiltondiocese.com/vocations.

World Mission Sunday: We pray for vocations to the priesthood and marriage: that Christ may raise up priests and married couples who share the Gospel through their words, hospitality, and faithful love, bringing hope to those who do not yet know him.

MEN DISCERNMENT GROUP Fr. John Ha, our Vocations Director, invites all young men in the Diocese of Hamilton to join the **Priesthood Discernment Group**. Come for prayer, fellowship, and conversation as we explore God's call together. Whether you are just beginning to ask questions or have been considering the priesthood for some time, you are welcome. Feel free to invite a friend who may be interested. You do not need to have all the answers—simply come with an open heart.

Meetings are at two locations: in **Hamilton** on Friday, November 6, 2026, at 6:00pm at the Chancery Office (700 King St W, Hamilton, ON L8P 1C7) and in **Kitchener-Waterloo** on Saturday, November 7, 2026, at **10:00am** at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church (80 University Ave W, Waterloo, ON N2L 3C7). Sponsored by the **Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton**. Visit hamiltondiocese.com/vocations. For more information, contact vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - "One in Christ, united in mission"

Today the whole Catholic world keeps the 100th World Mission Sunday. The psalm sings, "Tell his glory among the nations" (Ps 96). Pope Leo XIV reminds us that no baptized person is exempt from mission, and that if unity is the condition of mission, love is its essence. A second collection is taken up today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Your gift, joined to those of Catholics everywhere, supports seminarians, catechists, chapels, healthcare, and the poor in young Churches. Pray also for new missionary vocations.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Mondays – **no Mass**;

Holy Hours: Thursdays at **6pm**; Fridays (without incense) at **6pm**

Reconciliation: Thursdays from **6 – 6:45pm**; Saturdays at **9:30-10:15am**; **3:30 – 4:15pm** or by appointment.

9am Tuesday: David & AnneMarie Turalija *by Zrinka Turalija*; Gareth *by Suze D'Costa*

9am Wednesday: Michael Fischer *by Julianne*

7pm Thursday: Stefan Satora *by Lucie & Katie Satora*

7pm Friday: †Michael McInnis *by Pat & Loretta Doyle*

9am Saturday: Baby Irene & Family *by Saturday Morning Rosary Group*

Lord's Day Masses: Saturday (**5pm**) †Holy Souls – *Freire Family*; Sunday (**9am**) †Nguyen Thi Nu – *Hoang Family*; (**11am**) †Anna Maria Dinh – *Nguyen Family* (**7pm**) Pro Populo

Plan to come to Mass on All Soul's Day – Monday, November 2nd at 7pm.



Thank you for supporting St. Agnes Parish!

MARILLAC PLACE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Sends a big thank you to St. Agnes Parishioners for \$2839.76 in support for moms and babies in their care – AMAZING!!!

PREFERRED METHOD: CONSIDER MAKING YOUR OFFERING THROUGH CANADA

HELPS: This option allows you to make a secure donation directly to St. Agnes Parish on this webpage [119110450RR0101-st-agnes-parish | CharityProfile | Donate Online](https://119110450RR0101-st-agnes-parish.CharityProfile)



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E-transfers can be made to St. Agnes Parish at any time at stagneswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com

Please put your **first AND last name** in the memo line or we cannot create a tax receipt. If you are e-transferring for another purpose [i.e., mass stipend or spaghetti dinner, for example] please include that in your message on your e-transfer.

BEQUESTS and MEMORIAL DONATIONS to St. Agnes Parish: Information [HERE](#).