

30th SUNDAY

in Ordinary Time



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Focus: *Love and Compassion*

Love God fully and love your neighbour. Care for the vulnerable, act justly, and remain faithful in hardship. Let love guide your choices. Treat every person with kindness, fairness, and respect. Help someone who is vulnerable or alone this week. Love fulfills the law!

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart." - (Matthew 22:37)

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VISIT OUR NEW WEBSITE!



Tour around our website and find your favourite links.

Look for new tabs – such as our CATHOLIC LINKS.

Scroll to the bottom of the page to find our contact info and update your information or send an email directly.

New here, or need a priest?

The parish office is open Tuesday – Friday, 9:00am – 4:30pm. In an emergency, when you need a priest and nobody at St. Agnes is available, call Grand River Hospital (519-749-4300) or St. Mary's Hospital (519-749-6579) and ask for the chaplain on call.

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☎ (519) 885-4480



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NEWS & EVENTS at ST. AGNES PARISH

Where everyone is welcome!

For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.
- 1 Corinthians 1:25

OPEN TO THE GREAT MYSTERY: Please, Lord, join me on the road; enter into my closed room, and take my foolishness away. Open my mind and heart to the great mystery of your active presence in my life and give me the courage to help others discover your presence in their lives. Amen.

- Henri Nouwen

POINSETTIA SALES - [ORDER YOURS 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. **When making e-transfers, YOU MUST PUT YOUR FULL**

NAME and "POINSETTIA" IN THE MEMO LINE so we can apply the transfer to your sale. No need to indicate the contents of your order in the message.

E-transfer to: stagneswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com

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.

BECOMING CATHOLIC – RCIA BEGINS! Please keep our 7 candidates and their prayer partners in your prayers as they embark on a journey of faith this year!

YOUTH GROUP: Meets October 25th from 6:30 - 8:pm. Reflection topic: The Greatest Commandment. It is also our Group Jeopardy Competition! RSVP: knolan@rogers.com

2027 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: In November, Offertory Envelopes will be available for the 2027 year. If you are currently using offertory envelopes, you are already on the list, *although your envelope number may change* from year to year. If you are not using envelopes and would like to, we can sign you up for your own envelopes. If you frequently use pink visitor's envelopes, we encourage you to ask for a personal set of envelopes, as this makes our administration much more efficient. The parish makes donation receipts available FOR PICKUP at the church at year's end. It is of utmost importance to have your personal information accurate in our database, therefore you are encouraged to make any changes known to the parish office. Consider if you have moved, changed your email, added or lost a family member, gotten married and changed your name, moved your financial records to the care of another person, or other circumstances.

Preferably, detail your changes in an email to office@saintagnescatholicchurch.org or simply click on the red UPDATE/REGISTER icon.

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

November is right around the corner, and it is a very popular time to offer a Mass intention for the repose of the soul of a loved one, or for the intention of a loved one. Offering a mass intention is easy and can be done by emailing, calling or dropping by the parish office. Your Mass request can be either **“for the repose of the soul of...”** or **“for the intention of...”** and please remember to indicate this in your request.

A preferred date for a Mass intention is not always available, but there are two days a week when more than one intention can be received so you can always find a date very close to your preferred date; at St. Agnes, those days are Tuesdays and Thursdays when up to 6 Mass intentions can be received. When requesting Mass intentions, it is only fair that your intentions be at different Mass times, for example, you will not be able to book two or three Sunday morning masses in a row, but you may use many various times through the week. Keep in mind that a Sunday Mass is no more efficacious than a weekday Mass, and while it is also nice if we can attend Masses we offer, it is not a requirement in order to fulfill that Mass intention.

Typically, a \$10 offering is the stipend, and these funds go to the education of diocesan priests or other designations such as the care of retired priests. This may be left in the *after-hours dropbox* in the sacristy, dropped in the *mail slot on the office door*, dropped in a *marked envelope in the collection basket*, or e-transferred to stagneswaterloo@hamiltondicese.com marked “**stipend**”.

A colorful illustration for a men's social hour. At the top, a coffee cup sits on a saucer next to a yellow banner that reads "Men's Social Hour" in blue. Below this, a green banner says "Join us on" followed by an orange box containing "Monday, October 26th at 1pm". In the center, four diverse men are seated at a table, smiling and holding coffee cups. A plate of Timbits sits on the table. To the right, a television screen shows a cartoon of a man in a yellow shirt and blue pants leaning against the Leaning Tower of Pisa, with the text "Saving the Tower of Pisa!" above him. A red box of Timbits is on the floor next to the TV. At the bottom, a green banner reads "CONFERENCE ROOM – enter by back doors" and a blue line of text says "Please call John Vogan at 226-978-4013 for more information."

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MONTHLY PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL
OPPOSITE FREEPORT HOSPITAL
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5th, 2026
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

All are welcomed and urged to come out to pray and be a witness for God's unborn babies being aborted. Their silent screams cry out to be heard!!
Will you be their voice and witness today?

Please pray to end abortion and pray for the conversion of hearts.

Freeport Hospital - 3570 King St. E., Kitchener
Parking: Schneider Park (across the road)

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

October: A Month of Prayer for Vocations

For more information, visit hamiltondiocese.com/vocations.

Perseverance: For vocations to the priesthood and permanent diaconate: that those called to ordained ministry may trust God's mercy, persevere through uncertainty, and grow in humble service to his people, let us pray to the Lord.

THE 14TH ANNUAL A.P. MAHONEY LIBRARY LECTURE:

The A.P. Mahoney Library is pleased to invite you to its 14th Annual Library Lecture. This year, our extraordinary professor of moral theology Fr. Jason Kuntz will explore the encyclical Magnifica humanitas in a lecture titled, "A Renewed Culture of the Common Good: Building a Civilization of Love with Pope Leo XIV." The lecture will be held in the Seminary's Bishop John Michael Sherlock Auditorium on Wednesday, October 21st, 2026 at 7:30pm. For more information, please visit the A.P. Mahoney Library website or view the event poster, and don't forget to mark your calendars!

WALK WITH JESUS: RETREAT DAY FOR GRIEVING PARENTS:

November 7th at St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Hamilton

The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging and never truly leaves us.

The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us for a retreat day for parents who have lost a child through death. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we invite you to join us for this day of healing and support.

Registration is required as lunch will be provided.

Cost: \$20 per person

A DAY FOR YOUR MARRIAGE! Keeping your marriage healthy and strong requires love, but also time spent fine tuning your relationship and reconnecting. Join us on Saturday, November 21st at St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Waterdown for a day to reconnect for our enrichment day:

Discovering New Paths for Your Married Love. We will share new ways to deepen your relationship and give you time with the one you love! Registration can be found online at hamiltondiocese.com, under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or e-mail

familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com

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:

9am Wednesday: †Godwin *by Suze D'Costa*

7pm Thursday: Gehane *by Sylvia*

7pm Friday: RCIA 2026-2027 Candidates

9am Saturday: Holy Souls in Purgatory *by Saturday Morning Rosary Group*

Lord's Day Masses: Saturday (**5pm**) Pro Populo; Sunday (**9am**) †Ana Maria Mung Tuyet Dinh – *Chien Dinh*; (**11am**) †Bill Frost – *Frost Family* (**7pm**) Living & Deceased Goncalvez Family Members *by Sylvia*

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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)



**CANADA
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QR CODE**



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](#).