33rd SUNDAY

In Ordinary Time



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Focus: Using God's gifts – faithful living everyday.

God gives each person gifts and responsibilities. Faithful people work with purpose, care for others, and stay ready for the Lord. Do not hide your gifts through fear or laziness. Use them with trust, generosity, and love. Use one of your gifts to help someone this week.

"Well done, my good and faithful servant." - (Matthew 25:23)

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DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

A Personal Reflection on the Appointment of Bishop Wayne Lobsinger

I welcomed the news of Bishop Wayne Lobsinger's appointment as the new Bishop of Peterborough with mixed feelings. I am grateful that he has been entrusted with this new opportunity to serve the Church, and I rejoice with the people of Peterborough, who will welcome a bishop of deep faith, a generous spirit and a genuine pastoral heart.

At the same time, I am saddened that I will be losing a brother bishop and a wonderful co-worker in the Lord's vineyard here in Hamilton.

Although our time serving together as bishops has been relatively brief, from the moment I arrived in Hamilton, Bishop Lobsinger welcomed me with great kindness and generosity. I have come to appreciate his wisdom, his knowledge of the diocese, his collegial spirit and, above all, his sensitivity to the needs of priests and the faithful. He has been a trusted brother bishop in ministry and a generous support as I began my service as Bishop of Hamilton.

Bishop Lobsinger is a shepherd who relates to people with warmth, humility and genuine care. He is deeply respected and appreciated by his brother priests, deacons, religious, and lay faithful. His ministry has been marked not simply by the responsibilities he has carried, but by the relationships he has built and the lives he has touched.

I know that the same gifts that have enriched the Diocese of Hamilton will now be a blessing to the Diocese of Peterborough. The Church is sending him to a new vineyard, but he carries with him the same pastoral heart and desire to serve God's people.

Bishop Lobsinger: thank you for your friendship, your generosity and your faithful service. Please know that you leave Hamilton with our gratitude, our affection and our prayers. May the Lord continue to bless your ministry, and may you find great joy and fulfilment in walking with the people of Peterborough as their new shepherd.

† *Joseph Dabrowski,* CSMA

Most Rev. Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA
Bishop of Hamilton

November 13, 2026

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NEWS & EVENTS at ST. AGNES PARISH

Where everyone is welcome!

"So, if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.". ***- John 8:36***

ALREADY FREE: Contemplative prayer deepens in us the knowledge that we are already free, that we have already found a place to dwell, that we already belong to God, even though everything and everyone around us keeps suggesting the opposite.... ***- Henri Nouwen***

Weekly contributions

$14,714.40

Thank you for your generosity in supporting the life and future of this parish – your stewardship truly matters!

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Loose: $747.55

Envelopes: $4658.00

Building Fund: $235.00

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LISTEN TO THE HOMILY: Did you know you can listen to Fr. Jeff's homily again? If you liked something you heard and want to think a little deeper, or if you missed the chance, go to our website and scroll down to find this link for another listen.

MASS INTENTIONS: November is here, 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. Try our **NEW OPTION** to request a Mass intention directly from our website. Choose "CONTACT US" and use the pull-down menu to select "MASS INTENTION" and input your information following the prompts. If you prefer to e-transfer,
E-transfer to: stagneswaterloo@hamiltondiocese.com



ST. AGNES YOUTH GROUP: Youth Group meetings are open to youth in grades 6-10. November 29th – Regular meeting time 6:30 – 8pm. Our reflection topic is Lives of the Saints. Join us for a great movie night about a famous saint. Popcorn and other snacks are provided!
RSVP to knolan@rogers.com

FORMED: FORMED is a platform where you can view/listen to a multitude of Catholic resources (movies, audio books, podcasts & more); from movies like "CABRINI" to cartoons for the children like "BROTHER FRANCIS, and the famed "HOPE SPRINGS" audio adventure series. You can find devotionals and pray along your commute, or sleep stories if you need a little help to wind down at night. Our parish has a subscription, and we encourage you to go to formed.org and create your own sign-in (no charge to you) to access this service or go to our website and scroll to the bottom to find this link.



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

is helping families in need at Christmas and is grateful for parishioners' past and continued generosity.

ANGEL TREE

Christmas Hamper Program

1. Take one or more angels from the tree at the back of the church and purchase the gift indicated on the card.
2. Kindly RETURN IT UNDER THE TREE in a gift bag - with the angel, by SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6th.
3. All toys are kindly supplied by the Knights of Columbus; no toys are needed.

Thank you so much!

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SOCIETY OF ST. AGNES
INVITES YOU TO

REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS



TREATS ARE DOWNSTAIRS AFTER THE 9AM & 11AM MASSES! COME AND VISIT OUR FOOD PANTRY AND SEE HOW WE DO THINGS!

AFTER THE 5PM AND 7PM MASSES. WE WILL HAVE TREATS IN THE NARTHEX.

NOVEMBER 14/15

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Christmas Dinner

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1st at 5:30PM



All Ladies Welcome!



herb roasted chicken
roasted potatoes, vegetable medley
salad, rolls & butter
dessert

$28 PER PERSON

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ST. AGNES EDUCATION CAFE

Small Talks on Big Topics

Holy Mary, Mother of God

Understanding & Deepening our Catholic Devotion to Mary

Presented by Fr. David Reitzel,

Pastor of St. Mary of the Visitation, Cambridge

About the Event

"...he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home." (Jn 19:26-27)

When Jesus spoke these words from the cross, it is said that He was giving us one of His greatest gifts: He gave us His mother as our spiritual mother. So, what does this mean in our daily life? Our Blessed Mother cares for us, she hears our prayers & intercedes for us, always leading us to follow her Son, Jesus. When we pray the Rosary, we hear Mary's gentle words: ***"Do whatever he tells you",*** *guiding us on the path to grow in holiness. She is our model of humility, inviting us to trust & surrender to God's will. In today's event, we will learn practical ways to help us to grow in our relationship with our spiritual mother, to come closer to her as she helps us come closer to Jesus. Join us for an enriching start to your Advent journey!*

Sunday December 6th 2:00 - 3:30pm St. Agnes Church

75 Bluevale St N, Waterloo

DIOCESAN ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT — Saturday, December 5, 2026 – Fr. John Ha, our Vocations Director, invites all young adults in their 20s and 30s across the Diocese of Hamilton to an evening of prayer, fellowship, and praise music. Come meet other young adults and find encouragement as you discern and live out God's call. Join us at St. Basil's Church, 50 Palace St, Brantford, ON N3T 3Y6. [Holy Hour**: 6:30–7:30 p.m.**; Social with food**:** Praise music and vocation testimony**: 7:30–8:00 p.m.**; Night Prayer**: 8:00–9:00 p.m.**; **9:00 p.m.**). Bring a friend—all young adults are welcome! Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. Visit https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/. For more information, contact vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

PERMANENT DIACONATE INFORMATION SESSION:
For anyone who is interested in the Diaconate and/or wants more information about what is required and what is involved in the admission process and Formation program, are invited to either of two Information Sessions:

1. Nov. 22nd, 2026, at St. Catherine of Siena Parish, 620 Rymal Rd. E, Hamilton after 11am mass.
2. Dec 6th, 2026, at St. Anthony Daniel Parish, 29 Midland Dr., Kitchener after 11am mass.

You are welcome to attend the 11am Sunday Mass where Deacon Tom Vert, the Associate Director of the Deacon program will be preaching. Afterwards we will have the Information Session in the parish Hall. There will be a short presentation and then a question-and-answer session, with light refreshments. Also, we will be available for anyone wanting to speak privately.

For more information about this session, feel free to contact:
Deacon Tom Vert, Associate Director Deacon Formation Program,
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OR
Fr. Mark Gatto, Director of the Deacon Formation Program,
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MASS SCHEDULE

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.

INTENTIONS

Tuesday: David & AnneMarie Turalija *by Zrinka Turalija;* †Abir Omran *by The Family*
Wednesday: †Dennis Harvey *by Julianne Fischer*
Thursday: †Holy Souls *by Margaret Boland;* †Paul Logel *by Len & Anne Strauss;* †Harold Moser *by Jim & Janice Schill.*
Friday: Douglas Correa *by Errol Ferreira*
Saturday: †Tara McDonald *by Corinne*
Saturday (**5pm**) Tara McDonald & Family *by Corinne & Marilyn;* Sunday (**9am**) Pro Populo; *(**11am**)* †Lillian Donato *by Anne Moore* (**7pm**) Living & Deceased members of the Goodyear/Frost Families *by the Frost Family*

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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.