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LORD'S DAY MASSES:

Saturday at 5:00 P.M. Sunday at 9:00 & 11:00 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday – 12:15 PM
Wednesday – 5:30 PM
Thursday – 8:00 AM
Friday – 8:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday to Friday – 15 mins before each Weekday Mass
Other Times – By appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible after the birth of your baby.

FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST EUCHARIST & CONFIRMATION - Catholic children in public school are prepared for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation through correspondence lessons. For details or to register, please contact the Diocesan Catechesis Office at 1-905-528-7988.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE - Please contact the Parish Office at least six months before the desired date. At least one person must be registered in the Parish. Wedding dates are booked with the Pastor.

VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE - Please contact Most Reverend Wayne Lobsinger, VG, EV, at 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2222 or visit: hamiltondiocese.com

ANOINTING OF THE SICK - The Sacrament is celebrated communally once per year, and individually by request.

FUNERALS - When a death occurs in the family, please contact the Parish Office and Father will assist in any way with liturgical arrangements.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS - Please keep your love for the parish alive. When recommending expressions of sympathy, please remember St. Clement Parish.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL - Your donations support our Society as our volunteers deliver grocery vouchers into the hands of the needy in the Preston area. Thank you for your generous support. Please note that at this time we have resumed delivering grocery vouchers.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday through Thursday, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome!

Parish registrations may be submitted through our parish website (www.stclementsparish.ca) or you may find a copy in the vestibule. Forms may be submitted through the collection basket or brought to the Parish Office.

PARISH SCHOOLS

St. Joseph School..... 519-653-4482
St. Michael School..... 519-653-3351
St. Benedict C.S.S..... 519-621-4050

PARISH PRAYER NETWORK - This group prays confidentially for anyone who asks. Prayer requests (intentions) are received by telephone/email and passed, member to member, to the next person on the list. To request prayers or to join the group, please contact Mrs. Marg Downey at her email: margaretdowney0621@gmail.com.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND BENEDICTION - Each Friday for one hour following the daily Mass. Everyone is welcome to spend quiet time in prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.

DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER - For information about Activities and Events of Interest in the Diocese of Hamilton, subscribe to the online Diocesan Newsletter at www.hamiltondiocese.com



SCAN ME

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

Date	Time	Mass Intentions and Celebrations	Requested by
Monday, September 11	No Public Mass	Intentions of Tony & Shirley Borges & Family Roger & Rosemary Fischer David Pickett	Ilda Borges Family Barbara Carr
Tuesday, September 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary (Optional Memorial)	12:00 PM 12:15 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation Intentions of the Cain Family Mario DeRama	Betty Weston Capistrano Family
Wednesday, September 13 St. John Chrysostom , Bishop, Doctor (Memorial)	5:15 PM 5:30 PM	Sacrament of Reconciliation Josef & Helen Mordeczko Intentions of Pat Maton	Mordeczko Family
Thursday, September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Feast)	7:45 AM 8:00 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation Gord Steele Gerard Rogan	Betty John & Dale Tohill
Friday, September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows (Memorial)	7:45 AM 8:00 AM	Sacrament of Reconciliation Intentions of Andrea Szejber Ike Rooke Shelley Carter Pearl Fler Gord Steele	Nicole Kozak Daughter Carol Mom & Family Peter & Bonnie D'Arcy Peter & Bonnie D'Arcy
Saturday, September 16 St. Cornelius , Pope, Martyr St. Cyprian , Bishop, Martyr (Memorial)	5:00 PM	Pearl Fler Gordon Steele Walter Power Jason Martin Maximo Pantaleon Intentions of a Parishioner	Cora Cibinel Cynthia Stoyles & Alice Farrell Dan & Chris Schmalz Jenny Kuchma & Family Pantaleon Family Luci Santamaria
Sunday, September 17 23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time	9:00 AM 11:00 AM 12:00 PM	For the people of St. Clement Parish For the people of St. Clement Parish Sacrament of Baptism	

New! Library Display at St Clements Weekend of September 9-10

With a start to the new school year, children and adults alike are ready to learn. Grow in your knowledge of the beauty of Catholicism by borrowing a resource at the library display at the back of the Church. Each month, new books will be added to align with the liturgical year. Simply take a resource and return after 3 weeks. Whether you prefer a physical book in hand or find it easier to consume digital content through Formed.org, St Clement Parish is here to support you in your journey of the Faith.



Knights of Columbus, Council 4916

Please note the next **Knights of Columbus Council 4916 meeting** is on Thursday, September 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall at St. Clement's Parish. Enter via the Westminster Drive door.

Please note the change of date for this month only. We hope you will be able to join your Brother Knights!

Please note the parish bulletin will resume on the weekend of October 14-15, 2023.

Mass intentions will be posted on the bulletin boards. Please check inserts, the bulletin boards & St. Clement's website: www.stclementsparish.ca for upcoming events.



CWL News

St. Clement's CWL will be hosting their first meeting of the 2023/2024 session this coming **Tuesday, September 12th, at 7:00p.m.** (in the Church basement; enter through the Duke Street doors.) All women of the Parish are welcome.

The October meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 3rd, at 7:00p.m.** Members of the Diocesan council executive will be attending to give the Unity Outreach Presentation.

More CWL News

The St. Clement's CWL is excited to announce that we will be hosting a Sock Drive, in support of Cambridge Shelters, the weekend of **October 28th and 29th**. New, adult size socks will be collected at the front of the Church for donation before each Mass **on that weekend only**. We are excited to work with our parish community to collect and donate these much-needed clothing items before winter arrives. If you have any questions regarding this initiative, please contact Melissa at (519)239-4604.



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In September, we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul.

To highlight our St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Clement's Church, we will be holding a **Society of St. Vincent de Paul information/donation event** on Saturday, Sept. 30 & Sunday, Oct. 1. There will be

an info booth at the back of St. Clement's Church after Masses that weekend where you can learn more about the activities of our Society. If you have any gently used blankets, bed sheets or tents, we will be gratefully accepting your donations of these items on this weekend for our Thrift Store in Galt.

Did you know? Our neighbours in need in the Preston area of Cambridge reach out to us daily throughout the year. Thanks to the kind generosity of the parishioners of St. Clement's Church, our members can provide those in need with groceries and, if needed, free used furniture, clothing and/or household items from our Thrift Store at 75 Dundas Street North in Galt. We also strive to target the root causes of poverty through Social Justice Initiatives both locally and provincially.

For more information on our Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, check out the Ontario Regional site at <https://ssvp.on.ca/en/>

A student's prayer for the new school year ... Dear Jesus, help me to experience your presence, to open my eyes, my heart and my mind to new challenges, opportunities, friends, teachers and to be with you always. Amen

Supporting Young Families at St Clement Parish

With a new school year upon us, St Clement Parish wants to support young families by equipping them with the resources to help remain engaged and participate in our local community of Faith. Here are a couple new initiatives you can expect.

Pew Inserts

To support a culture that welcomes young families, you will notice an insert in each pew with a message to parishioners, visitors and parents encouraging them to bring their children to Mass and offering tips on how they can have the best experience.

Busy Binders

Geared towards children 3-6 years old, binders with different catechesis themes, books, materials and sensory activities are available that children can use during the Mass in their pew. These busy binders encourage children to learn and explore the faith in a developmentally appropriate way. There will be a bin of busy binders available at the back of the Church as families enter for Mass where they can grab one and return on their way out.

The Kids Bulletin

Developed by a Catholic Canadian mom, the Kids Bulletin is geared towards kids 7 and up and offers comics and activities that tie in the Sunday readings and upcoming liturgical feasts. This will be made available every weekend and will be placed alongside the regular bulletin for families to take on their way out.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

We will still offer a Children's Liturgy of the Word. However, for this year, it will be held on the off months that there is no Youth Choir or First Communions. Children's Liturgy will use the methodology from the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a ministry for children that is based on Scripture and the Sacred Liturgy. It is inspired by the principles of Montessori education and ensures an interactive and fruitful experience of God's Word .

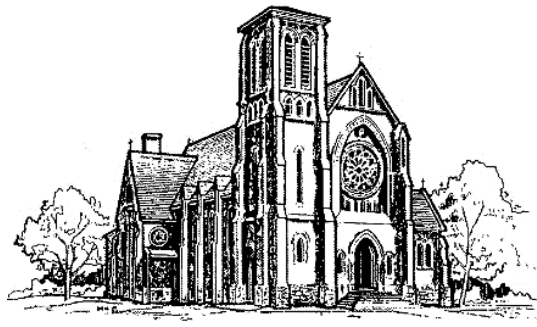
Children's Liturgy will be offered at the 11am Mass for children 4-6 years old on the following dates:

October 22, November 19, January 21, February 18, May 19.

"Walk for Life"

Cambridge Right to Life will hold the annual 5K "Walk for Life" fundraiser this month on Saturday, September 23, at Grace Bible Church, 2 Grand Ave. S., Cambridge.

Our representatives walking on behalf of St. Clement's Parish this year will be Beth & Drew Black. To support the "Walk for Life" please complete the sponsor sheet on the parish bulletin board.



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A Message from the Praise Choir

To Our Parish Family,

After a lot of prayer, I have made the exceedingly difficult decision, that after 50 years of being a part of and leading St. Clement's Praise Choir, it was time for me to retire.

That being said, the Praise Choir is left without leadership and will no longer be continuing. Angie and I will still be involved with music ministry as cantors/singers with other musical talents in St. Clement's Church.

We would like to say a big thank you to all the choir members for their commitment and support as well as all our parish family for all the love and support over all these years. Thank you.

God Bless,

Sharon Pawelko & Angie Castiglione



From the Pastor's desk

With heavy hearts we received news, as above from Sharon and Angie (Praise Choir). I want to thank them for their incredible gifts of time, talent, and the treasure of their music throughout the years.

A special thank-you to Tom Pawelko, Sharon's late husband, and all who have contributed to leadership through the years. We have presented Sharon with a special gift honouring her years of service. Thanks to all others, especially the wonderful choir members who supported them. Stay tuned for more updates on our Saturday/Sunday music ministry, our Sunday experience discernment, and next steps!

To Sing Is To Pray Twice!

We would love it if you would consider coming out to sing with us!

St. Clement's **11AM Celebration Choir** and the **Resurrection (funeral) Choir**, are both welcoming new members for the 23/24 season. The first practise for the Celebration Choir is Thursday, Sept. 14th at 7pm, in the choir loft.

Music reading ability is an asset, but not necessary. Just a love of singing, a willingness to learn, and a sense of humour are the only requirements.

The Celebration Choir practises Thursdays from 7 to 8:30pm

The Resurrection Choir practises are on an "occasional" basis only.

For further info (or to book a very easy audition), please contact Marilyn at 519-653-3383 or mfranks@rogers.com

Youth Choir!

As we continue to empower our next generation, we welcome back our Youth Choir! They will be working on five (5) programs, including our first Christmas Pageant & Concert, at 7pm Wednesday December 6, 2023. If you would like to join, or if you are curious, please drop in at 6:30pm Wednesday September 6th at our first rehearsal back! Our first Youth Choir Mass will be 11am (not 9am) September 17th, 2023. All youth from Grade 3 thru 12 are welcome to join. For more information, or to participate only in the Christmas Pageant & Concert, please email Jenn Mascarenhas at jennifer.mascarenhas@wcdsb.ca or Michael Taylor at 905-299-5013 OR michaelpiustaylor@gmail.com

CHANT Choir!

NEW to our parish community: Our 9am Mass will be accompanied by lovely chant and polyphonic music (harmony) starting Sunday September 17th, 2023. The parts of the Mass can be found in the dark red "Celebrate in Song" hymnbook from pages 74 thru 88. If you are curious or would like more information on how to join or learn how to read and interpret chant notation, please contact Michael Taylor at 905-299-5013 OR michaelpiustaylor@gmail.com. First rehearsal is 5:30pm, Thursday September 14th.

Christmas Pageant & Concert!

*The **YOUTH of our parish** are presenting a Christmas Pageant and Concert here at St. Clement's Church at 7pm Wednesday, December 6th, 2023! This will replace the*

former pageant on Christmas Eve. Rehearsals will be held Tuesdays from 6:30-7:30pm, starting in November. There are NARRATOR and NON-SPEAKING roles available. For more information, or to assist in the production, please contact Jennifer Kruithof at Jennifer.Kruithof@wcdsb.ca or Michael Taylor at michaelpiustaylor@gmail.com. An information & sign-up evening for all interested youth - JK thru Gr 12 - will be held Tuesday October 24th, 6:30-7:30pm.

Activities at other Cambridge Parishes

Alpha Film Series

St. Ambrose Parish in Galt will host the Alpha Film Series, starting Friday, October 6 at 6:00 pm. Alpha was filmed from all around the world and features many inspiring stories and interviews. Join Nickey Gumbel, Toby Flint and Gemma Hunt as they unpack the basics of the Christian faith in a way that everyone can relate to. Each Alpha evening begins with a sit-down meal in the parish hall at St. Ambrose Church. Alpha is an excellent program for someone who is not a Christian but would like to learn more about the basics of the Christian faith. It is also for Christians who are looking to reconnect with the practice of their faith as well as connecting with the faith community. Please register your attendance by phoning the parish office 519.621.2013 or email your name and contact info to stambrose@golden.net

'Be A Man' Men's Group

St. Ambrose Parish invites all men 18 years and older on Saturday mornings from 7:00am to 8:30am for the 'Be a Man' Men's Group starting up again the beginning of October. Come and join us for good conversation, fellowship and for coffee and muffins. We will be using the video series from Fr. Larry Richards.

St. Boniface, Maryhill Heritage Day

Mark your calendar and join us for our yearly Heritage Day on Sunday, September 17, 2023. We will begin with Mass at 11am followed by a visit to the Mary Grotto on the rectory lawn, then a car cavalcade to the area shrines. Lunch at 1:30 at the Community Centre (hosted by the CWL). Tickets will be required (\$15). Presentations, 50-50 Draw & Silent Auction. For tickets or more information email: maryhillroots@gmail.com or call Diane (519) 648-2432, Tom (519) 824-4074 / (519) 837-6967 or Linda (519) 242-9595.

Coming This Fall, The Search

The Search is an innovative video series, that tackles the key questions of every human heart. In seven beautifully filmed episodes, Chris

Stefanick and experts from multiple fields of science, medicine, psychology, art, and religion examine our place in the larger story of existence. The six-week series will run on **Thursday evenings starting September 28 at 7:00 p.m.** at St. Mary of the Visitation Parish, 16 Cooper St., Cambridge, in the parish centre. Registration not required. Everyone is welcome.

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

Week of September 10

Monday	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Tuesday	Rev. Sam Restivo, CR
Wednesday	Missionary Srs of Christ the King
Thursday	Rev. Roque Concepcion / Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Friday	Our Lady of Sorrows
Saturday	Rev. George Nowak, CR

Week of September 17

Monday	Rev. Krzysztof Szkubers, CR
Tuesday	Rev. Sunil D'Souza, OCD
Wednesday	Salecians of St. John Bosco, SDB
Thursday	Rev. Melvin Pinto, OCD
Friday	Rev. Vivek Trindade
Saturday	Rev. Raphael Ma, CR

Week of September 24

Monday	Rev. Murray McDermott, CR
Tuesday	Rev. Francisco Cruz
Wednesday	Parish Staff
Thursday	Rev. Mussie A Keflezghi, MCCJ
Friday	Rev. Brian Quigley, MCCJ
Saturday	Rev. Jungheon (Francisco) Kwak

Week of October 1

Monday	Rev. Toby Collins, CR
Tuesday	Rev. Joseph de Viveiros, CR
Wednesday	Felician Franciscan Srs (CSSF)
Thursday	Rev. Robert Love
Friday	Rev. Marian Gil, OMI
Saturday	Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski Our Lady of Sorrows

Week of October 8

Monday	Rev. Timothy Higgins
Tuesday	Rev. Christopher Tracey
Wednesday	Chaplains
Thursday	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Friday	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Saturday	Rev. Grayson Hope

Please note the parish office will be closed on Monday & Tuesday, October 9 & 10, 2023.



For more check out our website:
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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It has been a beautiful summer and it feels like forever since I've been able to write, 'From the Pastor's Desk'. I hope and pray you are all well.

In the midst of the summer a good bit of time has been dedicated to discerning, dreaming, and planning for this coming year. I want to thank those of you who have shared with me your hopes and dreams for St. Clement, over the past year, and those who have especially helped with planning out this next year. There are many 'irons in the fire' as they say, and certainly not too many 'cooks in the kitchen'!

So, this coming year we have a number of wonderful things planned, to be honest, it almost seems like too much to communicate. So let me put into point form a few of the areas we are working on:

- New staff hiring and team development (leadership team establishment)
- One Heart One Soul follow up, engagement, and CONSTRUCTION
- Donation methods and donor engagement
- Building Project Committee
- Cemetery Planning Committee
- Sunday Experience Focus- choirs, demographics, outreach to newcomers/young adults, family and children's ministry focus
- Collaboration with other Cambridge Catholic Churches- groups, initiatives, RCIA, Mass times

The list could go on and on!!! The leadership team and I hope to be able to share more with you in the months and year to come!

One thing I wanted to focus on for this weekend was to note the announcements in the bulletin regarding our choirs/music ministry. I'm excited along with Marilyn and Michael to support the incredible gift of music we have here at SC. I also again want to thank Sharon, Angie and all those who have been involved in the Praise Choir over the years!

From the announcements in the bulletin this weekend you will see a few of the plans and details for the year ahead for our music ministry. First is to note the investment we want to make in building up the membership of our choirs. Our Celebration Choir (11am), the Resurrection Choir (funerals), and our continuing and growing Schola Cantorum (Chant Choir), are all actively looking for new members. A big part of this year will be focusing on building up these choirs and our amazing cantors who make our liturgies so beautiful. Please consider joining!

We have also tried to think a great deal about what makes each Mass unique, how we can make SC not only thrive within, but offer compelling experiences for those who might join us. Knowing not everyone enjoys the same experience at Sunday Mass, or that some variety is appreciated (like with our 5pm Praise Choir over the past years), we have decided to step into the character each Mass seems to have, with a little more intentionality.

So...you will see first that the 9am will be led this year by our Schola Cantorum, our Chant Choir. Many who come early Sunday morning have shared with me their love of this type of music and their hope to hear more of our great schola. While a bit different from the usual, I trust with time it will draw not only existing parishioners to a love of this treasure of the church but will also attract new members to our community.

We also want to allow the amazing beauty of the Celebration Choir (11am) to flourish this year. New members, new music books, new and exciting ideas as they unfold will help this choir to continue to do well.

Finally, with the retirement of our Saturday 5pm Praise Choir, we have decided for the time being to keep Saturday as our 'low Mass', as it has been through the summer. While not having music at a Lord's Day Mass is not the norm we are used to, it does I know help some to feel like they are able to participate more fully. Some enjoy the greater silence, some have shared that being more elderly, singing has become more difficult, and perhaps for others, just knowing Mass is that 10 to 15 minutes shorter, will help them to be able to come, and stay!

So, each Mass here at SC has a bit of a character...just like us, the many members of the church. Perhaps this is a good time to see what the right fit for you is, perhaps a good time to invite someone new to join us and experience these opportunities with us!

Thanks for your prayers, support, and encouragement. I am looking forward to sharing more with you as the weeks and months unfold.

Enjoy the long weekend!

In Christ,
Father Markus

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