



MASS INTENTIONS

May 24-30, 2010

Monday (ferial) *1 Peter 1.3-9, Mark 10.17-27*

8:15 am + Daniel & Fernando Ferreira - *Parents*

Tuesday (ferial) *1 Peter 1.10-16, Mark 10.28-31*

8:15 am - *Morning Prayer*

6:00 pm - *Reconciliation*

7:00 pm - *Bringing Flowers to Mary – Legion of Mary*

Wednesday (memorial) *St. Philip Neri, priest*

1 Peter 1.18-25, Mark 10.32-45

8:15 am + Jose Bairos – *Catholic Women’s League*

Thursday (ferial) *1 Peter 2.2-5,9-12, Mark 10.46-52*

8:15 am + Arthur Horn – *Strack & Horn Families*

6:00 pm - *Wedding Rehearsal*

Friday (ferial) *1 Peter 4.7-13, Mark 11.11-25*

NO MORNING RECONCILIATION

8:15 am + Jack Steffler – *Frank & Theresia Burgund at St. Mary’s High School*

7:30 pm - *C.W.L. Diocesan Mass*

Saturday (ferial) *June 17-25++, Mark 11.27-33*

1:00 pm - *WEDDING*

4:00 pm - *Reconciliation*

TRINITY SUNDAY

Proverbs 8.22-31, Romans 5.1-5, John 16.12-15

Sat. 5:00 pm + Jack & Dorothy Steffler –

- *Bruce and Larry Steffler Families*

Sun. 9:00 am + Ilsa Lippel – *Mr. & Mrs. A. Strack*

11:00 am + Those in Our Parish Book of Life

7:00 pm - *Int. of the Parishioners of St. Aloysius*

Schedule of Events

May 24-30, 2010

Monday OFFICE CLOSED

• *NO Celebrating the Word Bible Study* *May 24 only*

Wednesday

• Celebrate the Word (Pioneer Park Area – call Yvonne at 519-748-6508) 1:00 pm

• Choir Practice 7:00 pm

Thursday

• Legion of Mary 8:45 am

Sunday, May 30

Picnic Planning Meeting **1:00 pm**

Come with your ideas, talents and organizational abilities to help make this a memorable Family Event. Remember, our Picnic is scheduled for **June 27th**

OFFERTORY REPORT

327 CONTRIBUTORS . . . (Average - \$16.22).....	\$5,303.25
LOOSE	\$1,929.75
Offertory Collection 16-MA-10	\$7,233.00

Parish Life



Come to Mary – Come and let us bring flowers to Mary, the Queen of May. Let us offer our hearts to her, our dearest loving Mother.

When? – this Tuesday, May 25 (correction)

Rosary starts at 6:30 pm and Mass is at 7:00 pm.

You are all invited to join the Legion of Mary, the Family Rosary Group, and The Catholic Women’s League to this celebration. Refreshments will be served at the Parish Centre afterwards.

90th Annual Hamilton Diocesan C.W.L. Convention

St. Aloysius C.W.L. will host the Opening Mass and the Reception to follow, for the convention. It will take place on **Friday, May 28** at 7.30 pm.

St. Aloysius Parish Volunteers

Please sign up for the **Volunteer Appreciation** event on **June 4**. Doors will open at 6:30. Sign-up sheets can be found at each entrance.

Speaking of Volunteers ...

If **anyone** would be interested in **GARDENING** at St. Aloysius Church, please call the church office as soon as possible, with your name and phone number. We have a lawn service but our flower beds need some love. This would include: choosing plants, planting, and maintaining (i.e. weeding) throughout the growing season.

Maryhill Fish Fry

Maryhill K. of C. and C.W.L. invite you to their Fish Fry at Maryhill Heritage Community Center on **May 29**. There will be two sittings: 5:30 pm and 7 pm. Cost: Adults (12+) \$14, Children 6 – 11 \$7, and under 5 are free. Contacts: Doug 519-648-2939, Mary 519-822-9287, Mike 519-648-3394 or Marlene 519-836-8271.

Prayer Vigil

Thurs. June 3rd, from 9 am - 10 a.m.; in front of Freeport Hospital, for babies being aborted. All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice, but our own! Parking at Schneider Park. Any queries, please contact Cathy at: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com

Men’s Retreat Opportunity:

BE INSPIRED, BE RENEWED, BE NOURISHED.

When? Saturday, June 19th

10 am to 2:30 pm (lunch included)

Where? Resurrection College, Waterloo

Cost? \$15

For registration or information call David Dayler at 905-528-7988.

The Feast of the Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Blessed Trinity. The Father infinitely loves the Son and the Son infinitely loves the Father. The communion of their love is not a power or energy, but a real Person, the Holy Spirit. "God is love" (1Jn4:8) and the identity of this love defines the person of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord and Giver of Life

Co-equal with the Father and the Son, the Holy Spirit is present in all of God's saving works (Hg2:5). The Holy Spirit has been present in this world since the first moment of creation. He is the principle of life, and without him nothing would exist or continue to be.

The Holy Spirit in Salvation History

As the story of salvation unfolds in the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit is present, guiding the faithful such as Joseph (Gn41:38), Joshua (Nm27:18), David (1Sm16:13), and Ezekiel (Ez11:24), revealing God and his plan, and preparing the People of God for the coming of Jesus. Because the Holy Spirit authors all life, it makes sense that he is also the one who sanctifies it. Throughout the Old Testament, he is called upon to make things holy and anoint certain individuals, such as David, for a special purpose.

The New Testament also begins with the action of the Holy Spirit. When the angel came to Mary to invite her to become the Mother of God, he told her that "the Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you" (Lk1:35). After Jesus' baptism by his cousin St. John the Baptist, he is anointed by the Holy Spirit (Mk1:9). It is not until after this anointing that Jesus begins his public ministry. When Jesus opened up the Old Testament to read in the synagogue in Nazareth, he proclaimed, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor" (Lk4:18). Throughout his public ministry, Jesus promised that all those who believed in him would also receive the Holy Spirit (Jn7:37). Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to the Church after he ascended into heaven. Just before ascending into heaven, he again promised that the Holy Spirit would come in his fullness to strengthen the Church (Acts1:8). At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit fell like fire from heaven upon the gathered apostles and disciples (Acts2:1-4). He has remained with the Church ever since and will stay with her until the end of time. It is the Holy Spirit who gives power to the sacraments, without him, they would be empty rituals. It is the Holy Spirit who safeguards the Church and keeps

her from falling into error. The Holy Spirit is the Sanctifier, and he mediates his power through the Church, giving her life and vitality. He is always present and he will never leave because he has been sent by Jesus to be with the Church until the end of time.

The Holy Spirit: Our Guarantee and Hope

In our Baptism, Jesus "has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee" (2Cor1:22). The Holy Spirit is our guarantee and the reason for why we hope. Jesus promised to send him to the Church after he ascended into Heaven. At Pentecost, Jesus fulfilled his promise and the disciples received the Holy Spirit who has stayed with the Church ever since and will stay with her until the end of time. The Spirit is our hope because he comes to guide us into all truth, convince the world of Jesus, and prove the world wrong about sin (Jn16:8-13). Everything that Jesus has, the Father has given to the Holy Spirit for the sake of his Church. He holds all the aces to life's most difficult situations and cannot be defeated. His presence in our lives is the guarantee and assurance of all that has been revealed and promised to us in Christ.

As a guarantee, the Holy Spirit is like a pledge, a first installment of all those gifts that the Father will pour out upon us when we reach Heaven. And not just any gift but the "first fruits" of our inheritance. When Israel was commanded to offer in sacrifice to God the "first fruits" of their crops and livestock, they were giving him the best portion of all that they had. By sending us the Son and the Holy Spirit, the Father gave us the "best portion" of all that he has to give us.

Life in the Holy Spirit fulfills our vocation here on earth. Through the power of the Spirit, "we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and to an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading" (1Pt1:3). The Spirit enables us to share in the Kingdom of Heaven here and now. "love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control" (Gal5:22) are all fruits of the Spirit and blessed attitudes of the saints in Heaven which we share in because of the Holy Spirit. He is the Father's greatest gift to us.

