From the Pastor's Desk

The builder who was renovating an old house said, "I've got bad news for you. When we started to convert the back half of the garage for your office, we found that the walls had almost no foundation. We will have to demolish them, dig proper foundations, and start again." "Do you have to do that?" the owner pleaded, silently calculating the extra cost. "Can you not just patch it up?" However, the builder was adamant. "Unless we go down to the proper depth, the building inspector will not approve it. The right foundation is vital."

The right foundation in life is also vital. The right foundation makes the difference between something that lasts and something temporary. Jesus knew that though foundations are invisible, they are vitally important to the strength and stability of the house (Matthew 7:24-25), especially when it is battered by the elements. Jesus also knew the hearts of his listeners. They would be tempted to take the easy way, find shortcuts, or do things by halves to gain their objectives.

Other foundations may be quicker and easier. Yet, building our lives on the right foundation is hard work, but God's truth is the only bedrock worth building on. When the storms of life hit, houses built on and held together by Jesus stand firm. Is Jesus our solid rock foundation? If not, it is time to dig deep into our souls!

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: "To pray the Rosary is to hand over our burdens to the merciful hearts of [Jesus] and His mother." ~ Pope St. John Paul

LAUGHTER GOOD FOR THE SOUL: A Child's Letter to God: "Dear God ~ Maybe Cain would not have killed Able if they had their own rooms. It works for my brother and me". ~ Larry

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 23, 2022

WANTED: Humble sinners who know the forgiveness of God. These make good servants of the Gospel. They can be priests, deacons, brothers or sisters. If God is calling you contact Fr. Mark Morley,

Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/



Welcome to St. Joseph's Parish

We extend a warm welcome to all. We pray that you feel at home. Please introduce yourself and Consider becoming a member of Our family of faith.

Prayer Intentions

Tuesday, October 25, 2022 7:00pm John Wheatley – Brigitte Quinke Tony Reilly Wednesday, October 26, 2022 8:30am Intentions of Jack Clerkin Intentions of Catherine Cyr Thursday, October 27, 2022 8:30am John Wheatley - Ed & Terri Smydo Friday, October 28, 2022 8:30am Intentions of Catherine Cyr Intentions of Gerri Anaka Saturday, October 29, 2022 5:00pm Chris McCabe - Terri Wellstead Lucas Bruder – Ted & Marlene Buczek Johanna Burger – Michael Turnnidge Murdered Children of Thailand – Harry Cullen

Sunday October 30, 2022

9:00am Intentions of the Parish

11:00am Alicha – Your Family

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Rev. Emmanuel Azike, O.P.
Rev. Thomas Manninezhath, C.M.I.
Consecrated Men & Women
Rev. Lawrence Parent
Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz
Rev. Ronald Voisin



Be sure to pick up a box for your Bazaar Bake Goods

The CWL will be handing out boxes this weekend after the masses for your baked goods, Donations for our bake sale table can be brought in on Fri Oct 28 between 10am-12pm and the morning of Oct 29 (Bazaar day), Please mark each donation with your name, phone number, name of baked item and the ingredients, this is for public health regulations. Please mark clearly if your goods include nuts!

Reminder: Next week is the last week to drop off **Toonie Table** and **Silent Auction** donations .

Please return sold (and unsold) Raffle tickets.

Student Volunteers needed – great way to earn community service hours. Call the Church office!

Knights of Columbus Parish Bazaar Lunch

The Knights of Columbus will be providing lunch at the St. Joseph's Parish Bazaar on from 11:30 AM to 1:00 pm Saturday October 29th. The Bazaar takes place from 10am to 2pm. We will be serving peameal bacon on a bun and beans with apple crumble for dessert. Juice, coffee and tea will also be provided. The cost will be \$10.00 per person. Hot dogs and cookies will be available free of charge for all children under 12. Please note that **TAKE OUT** will also be available for anyone preferring that option. We look forward to seeing you at our Parish Bazaar.

CWL Sponsored Pizza Party <u>Friday November 18th</u>



All ladies of the parish, 16 years and up, are invited to a pizza party on **Friday November 18th** starting at 6:00p.m. - location - St. Joseph's Parish Hall. We will be presenting a recap of the results of our Fall Bazaar as well as encouraging membership in the Catholic Women's League of Canada

and nominations for the various positions open on our Executive. All we ask is that you reserve a seat no later than **Wednesday November 16**th and let us know of any allergies you may have by calling the Parish Office at 519-843-2006 and speak to Lori.



All CWL members are invited to a joint Fergus/Elora Christmas Party on **Tuesday December 6th** following the 5:00p.m. Mass at St. Joseph's Parish. The Christmas Party will be held in St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Fergus. Tickets will go on sale starting October 29th, at a cost of \$20.00 each. Our turkey dinner will becatered by Belwood General Store. Our caterer needs to know numbers by mid November so we would be grateful if you would buy your tickets as early as possible. Please join us for an evening of good food, fun and games and celebration.

Church Office Closure

The Church Office will be closed on October 26 while the Church Secretary will be attending a Diocesan Workshop. The Office will reopen the following day.

Doing God's Work With Your Help

As you know, the St. Vincent de Paul Society works to help support the needy of our community, all thanks to the financial support of parishioners from both St. Joseph and St. Mary Churches. Their work is usually done quietly, away from the public view, but we recently had a chance to observe their good deeds. As Fall approaches, the volunteers contact their clients, families with children, to see if there is a need for winter coats. They then go about the job of securing the needed winter coats plus hats, gloves, and more. The looks of appreciation on the faces of the parents as they collect the new items for their family really conveys the importance and value of the work done by St. Vincent de Paul. Job well done!

This Fall and Winter are going to be difficult for many. If you are aware of anyone who is in need of assistance, have them contact the Church and they will be referred to a volunteer for St. Vincent de Paul.

Struggling After An Abortion?

Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. Please contact us toll free at 1-888-385-3850.



Upcoming Parish Events

October 25	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, 4pm
October 25	Knights of Columbus General Meeting
	after 7:00pm Mass
October 26	Office Closed - Educational Workshop
October 29	St. Joseph Parish Bazaar, 10am – 2pm
November 6	Knights of Columbus Charity Breakfast
November 18	CWL Pizza Party