#### GOSPEL MESSAGE

"The time is fulfilled", means the time expectation is past. Jesus Christ is here among us. Let's listen to his Word and repent.

#### MESSAGGIO DEL VANGELO

"Il tempo è compiuto", significa che il tempo atteso è passato. Gesù Cristo è qui tra noi. Ascoltiamo la sua Parola e pentiamoci.

# **PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY** January 18th & 25th 2024

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18-25, which are also dates recommended by the Canadian the Conference of Catholic Bishops. However, there has also been a long-standing practice by a number of communities to celebrate the Week of Praver on Optional dates, in order to include two Sundays.

This year, Christians from Burkina Faso developed the local draft for the resources available. As is the tradition, it was finalized by an international group Church's representing the Roman Catholic Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the WCC'S Faith and Order Commission.

Christian communities in Burkina Faso try to live the call to love through mutual hospitality ... "We have been invited to live the divine call to love God and our neighbour as ourselves."

The resources include an ecumenical opening prayer service, biblical reflections and prayers for eight days, and other elements of worship.

Resources for the Week of Christian Unity and for more information you are invited to visit the CCCB website.

**MONTHLY PARISH PASTA DINNER** FIRST THURSDAY of the MONTH

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February St. Ann Parish Hall doors open 4:30 pm

Pasta & Meatballs - Salad & Dessert & Coffee **Take-out** available – we supply containers Tickets at the door: Adults \$13.00 Children (till 10 yrs.) \$6.00

Welcome one and all! Bring your family & friends.

2024 ENGAGED ENCOUNTER SCHEDULE

**Meetings scheduled for Catholic Engaged Encounter** in the Diocese of St. Catharines are: May 3,4,5, 2024 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSc64uNMUTvhXyVk

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**Mass Intentions** Jan.20 Saturday - Saint Sebastian 5:00 For the Needs of All Parishioners For All the Deceased of the Parish Jan.21 SUNDAY – THIRD Sunday of Ordinary Time 10:00 Domenico Cameli – by moglie Angelina Vito & Vita Maria Mauriello - by granddaughter Mary Mike & Maria Del Vecchio - by MaryMauriello Anna, Rocco, Benny DiRienzo - by Maria **Biagio Stante** – by family **11:30** Dr. Carie LaRosa – by LaRosa/Salvatore fam. Myrtle & Earl Gilbertson – by A.I. Salvatore Immacolata & Gerardo Salvatore-by A.I. Salvatore Filomena & Fortunato Stracuzzi – by A.I. Salvatore Alberto Carlesimo – by sister Gina Paquette Jan. 22 Monday - NO MASS **Tuesday -** Saint Marianne Cope **Jan. 23** Theresa Lococo – by friends & family 8:00 **Jan. 24** Wednesday - Saint Francis de Sales 8:00 Tony Formica – by friends & family Vincenzo Aiello – by parents Vincenzina/Mario Thursday – Conversion of Saint Paul Mary Ferro – by friends & family Friday - Saints Timothy and Titus Nancy Golfi – by friends & family Maria Saporito – by friends & family Domenico Olivo – by Joseph Mancuso Cosimo Menechella – by family Saturday - Saint Angela Merici **Deceased of the Giagnorio & Fiorentino** families - by Mark Fiorentino Antonietta Lombardi – by Lina, Serra, & Rosa Carlucci Lili Martuccio-Custode – by dad Joe & family Luigi Scozzafava – by moglie Teresa Tommaso Merante - by moglie Giaconda 11:30 **Cosimo Gentilcore** – by Gentilcore family Rick Cassibo - by John & Edmay St. Angelo & family

Jan. 25

8:00

**Jan. 26** 

9:30

Jan. 27

5:00

Jan. 28 SUNDAY – Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

10:00

St. Ann Roman Catholic Church - 5740 Buchanan Ave.-Niagara Falls, ON - Fr. Kessete Hammad – Parish Priest

## PROJECT SHARE

Please keep donating items such as canned goods, peanut butter, crackers, juice boxes, etc., and place them in our food bin at the entrance of the church. The need for donations is even greater now due to the cold weather approaches. Monetary donations can also be made directly to Project Share.

## SEPARATED AND DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY

The Diocesan Separated and Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second and fourth Monday of the month (except holidays) from 7:00pm to 9:00pm at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre – 7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls, ON

For our pamphlet or information, please call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154. Meetings will be held both in person at Mount Carmel and virtually via Zoom platform.

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE WINTER/SPRING 2024

January 8 <sup>th</sup> 2024	<b>Embracing the New Year</b>
January 22 <sup>nd</sup> 2024	Loneliness
February 12 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Dealing With Fear
February 26 <sup>th</sup> 2024	What Is Forgiveness
March 11 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Learning to Forgive
March 25 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Gifts of the Holy Spirit
April 8 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Identifying Our Losses
April 22 <sup>nd</sup> 2024	Coping with Grief
May 13 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Navigating Change
May 27 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Self Esteem
June 10 <sup>th</sup> 2024	Who Am I Now
June 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2024	Loving and Respecting Yourself

### **LEGACY DONATIONS**

When you or your family are making arrangements for Wills and Legacies, we would humbly and kindly ask that you consider including St. Ann Church as one of the beneficiaries. Also, when making funeral arrangements through the various funeral homes in the Niagara Region, as parishioners, please consider directing donations to St. Ann Church. Thank you for your consideration and generosity.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR HOMEBOUND

Angelina Cameli, Rita Cameli-Roma, Angelina DiRienzo, Maria DiRienzo, Carmen/Maria Fabiani, Marianna Formica, Flora Kennedy, Ethel LaRosa, Gildo Luvison, Luigi Maruca, Giaconda Merante, Anna Orsini, Vincenzina Pascuzzi, Emilia Romeo, Teresa Scozzafava, Concetta Sirianni, Maria Tavano, Maria Visca

#### PRAY FOR ALL PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE

Lord Jesus Christ, You love Your church and those called to share your priesthood. With our love and prayers, we join you in asking our Heavenly Father to continue to pour out his gifts of holiness, compassion and ardent zeal on your priests everywhere. Inspire each of them to offer his life as an <u>"Ambassador of Christ"</u>, bringing reconciliation and healing to the world. Mary, Mother of all Priests, inspire us to live in peace and joy and pray this prayer with us. Amen

O Loving God, inspire your people to promote and to answer the call to Religious Life. Remove fears and doubts from their hearts. Give them the Spirit's gifts of wisdom and courage. We ask this in Jesus's name. AMEN!

If anyone is interested in renting the Parish Hall for a special event, Fundraiser, Trivia Night, Stag & Doe... Call 905-358-5774

### or 905-358-9333

for more information or to book a date

NEXT COFFEE SUNDAY WEEKEND of February 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

Our next COFFEE SUNDAY will be on the weekend of February 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, offered by Felice and Giovanna Parrotta in memory of *Francesco, Maria & Giovanna Parrotta* and *Giuseppe & Serafina Parrotta*.

### LADIES' AUXILIARY VALENTINE BAKE SALE

On the weekend of February  $10^{th}$  and  $11^{th}$  during COFFEE SUNDAY, the Ladies' Auxiliary will be putting on a small Valentine's Bake Sale. Anyone wishing to provide homemade baked goods for this event is welcome to drop off their items on Saturday, February  $10^{th}$  between 10 - 12.

### **DELTA BINGO FUNDS**

We would like to sincerely thank Mr.Tony Romano and all the volunteers who represent and who have represented St. Ann Church at DELTA BINGO at least twice a month. We are grateful to be able to use some of these funds to help defray some of the church expenses as well as to help those less fortunate. Over the past year we have provided a \$500 scholarship to St. Michael Catholic High School and a \$500 scholarship to St. Paul Catholic High School. In addition, we have donated generously to Project Share and will continue to do so.