

Lili Martuccio-Custode – by dad Joe Martuccio Mike & Maria DelVecchio – by Mary Mauriello

Luigi Scozzafava – by moglie Teresa Gino & Maria Visca – by family

11:00 For All the Deceased of the Parish For the Needs of All Parishioners

# **GOSPEL MESSAGE**

Marriage is always a joyous celebration of love and faithfulness, a sign of God's presence. As in the example of Jesus' presence at the Wedding at Cana, the church teaches us that to ensure God's presence and to have it sealed by God's grace, a marriage should be celebrated and blessed in the church.

## MESSAGGIO DEL VANGELO

Il matrimonio è sempre una celebrazione gioiosa di amore e fedeltà, un segno della presenza di Dio. Come nell'esempio delle presenza di Gesù alle Nozze di Cana, la chiesa ci insegna che per garantire la presenza di Dio e per sigillarlo dalla grazia di Dio, il matrimonio dovrebbe essere celebrato e benedetto in chiesa.

## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY January 18-25, 2025

For this year, 2025, the prayers and reflections for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity were prepared by the brothers and sisters of the monastic community of Bose in northern Italy. This year marks the 1,700<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the first Christian Ecumenical Council. held in Nicaea. near Constantinople in 325 AD. This commemoration provides a unique opportunity to reflect on and celebrate the common faith of Christians, as expressed in the Creed formulated during this Council; a faith that remains alive and fruitful in our days. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 offers an invitation to draw on this shared heritage and to enter more deeply into the faith that unites all Christians.

## 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(Partial) SCHEDULE WINTER/SPRING 2025

January 28<sup>th</sup> 2025(Tuesday) February 10<sup>th</sup> 2025 February 24<sup>th</sup> 2025 March 10<sup>th</sup> 2025 March 24<sup>th</sup> 2025 Embracing the New Year Overcoming Loneliness Understanding Loss/Grief Facing Fear Asking God's Grace

# <u>WEEKLY QUDTE</u>

"...silence the sounds of arms,...overcome division,...tear down walls of division... and dispel hatred..." (Pope Francis, Urbi et Orbe 2024) \_\_\_\_\_

#### **PILGRIMS OF HOPE – JUBILEE 2025**

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. AMEN!

> COFFEE SUNDAY FEBRUARY 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025

All parishioners and visitors are invited the weekend of **Saturday & Sunday – February 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>** for Coffee and Refreshments in the Parish Hall.

This Coffee Weekend is being sponsored by the **Welcome Committee of St. Ann.** Please join us after each Mass for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

## NIAGARA FOUNDATION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION Making a Difference for Students in Need

The **Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education** is a registered charitable foundation that attempts to lend a hand. As always, and especially at Christmas, any support you can offer will be greatly appreciated. Our address is Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education, 42 Rice Road, Welland, Ontario L3C 7C1. Please donate on line through PayPal on our website <u>www.nfce.org</u>. Receipts are issued for tax purposes. For further information: 905-735-0247 ext. 210.

## Monthly Parish Pasta Dinner FIRST THURSDAY of the MONTH

hursday 6<sup>th</sup> February St. Ann Parish Hall doors open 4:30 pm Pasta, Meatballs, Salad, Dessert & Coffee Take-out available *Tickets at the door:* Adults \$15.00 Children (up to 10yrs) \$6.00

A warm welcome to all! Bring your family & friends.

February Pasta Night sponsored by Johnathan Koles

## SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES THIS JUBILEE YEAR

All married couples, especially those celebrating significant anniversaries, are invited to attend a Mass commemorating the 2025 World Day of Marriage. This special liturgy will take place on February 9<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 2:00 pm, at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria (3 Lyman Street, St. Catharines). A coffee social will follow Mass. A congratulatory certificate will be mailed to couples who register and will celebrate their 1<sup>st</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60<sup>th</sup>+ special anniversary in 2025. To rece3ive this special certificate4, please complete a registration form available from the Parish Office.

### PILGRIMAGE – April 6<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> 2026

Fr. Ronnie Tagnines from Our Lady of the Scapular Parish in Niagara Falls is leading a pilgrimage from the 6<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2026. The trip will include Venice, Padua, Pisa, Florence, Assisi, Cascia, Loreto, Padre Pio & Rome. The cost based on double occupancy - \$5499. Please contact Fr. Ronnie at (709) 690-4946 or Ray Karborani from Biblical Journeys Canada Travel Agency (289) 990-9841 or biblicaljourneyscanada@yahoo.com

## 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!

The Diocese of St. Catharines is seeking a full-time Financial Assistant. A detailed job description can be found at: <u>http://saintcd.com/employment</u>. Interested candidates are invited to submit a resume to John O'Brien, CFO (jobrien~saintcd.com)

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & THE HOMEBOUND

Ronald Bennett, Angelina Cameli, Rita Cameli, Domenic Calabrese, Angelina DiRienzo, Maria DiRienzo, Beatriz Disch, George Ellis Carmen & Maria Fabiani, Sam Fiore, Jenny Green, Virginia McConnell Agueda Maria Melo, Patricia Millington, Vincenzina Pascuzzi, Don Taddeo, Marianna Weber