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THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Deacon Terry Murphy

It sounds so simple when we hear this old, old story. Jesus said “come” and they came. Jesus said “follow” and they followed. Was it really that simple? What was Jesus asking them to do? Jesus issued a call to discipleship knowing the culture, heritage, and economic status of these fishermen. He asked them to leave what they knew and were comfortable with to come and embrace a new lifestyle with different values and goals. What is Jesus asking us to do?

If Jesus had ever seen me fishing, He most surely would have just walked by and shook his head at the sight of me stretched out in the boat---baseball game on the radio—a couple of cold wobbly pops close at one hand---and probably sausage on a bun in my other hand. Even those guys with the TV fishing shows would be embarrassed at what I call fishing!

“Follow me and I will make you fishers of people”. In Matthew’s gospel this is the first time Jesus opens his mouth and doesn’t quote scripture or John the Baptist. And, these words were so compelling that Simon Peter and his brother, Andrew, drop what they are doing, and follow Jesus. We know where their journey will take them, but they have little idea what they have been drawn into.

They will learn much as they go! They will learn that Jesus goes against the ideas of this world! Jesus came to disturb and trouble this world! Follow me and I will make you fishers of people is the challenge we must face today. How can we be

good fishers of people? How can we share his message with our families – with our neighbours? How can we become – as the old slogan proposes – part of the solution instead of part of the problem?

“Come follow me”. What is Jesus asking us to do? We come from diverse cultures, different worldviews, and different places on the socio-economic ladder. We, like the disciples of old, are called to leave comfort and predictability as we enter a life of service to God. The big question is will we?

There is power in being an example, in sharing one’s faith, because there is power in the message and power in the God the message is about. Like those first disciples, like those early converts in Corinth, we have little idea what we’ve gotten ourselves into, or what the years may hold. Like them we are beginners – works in progress. But the progress is up to each of us, if we decide to make use of what the Spirit offers us during this Holy Mass.

Is Jesus calling you? Sometimes the call of Jesus is as loud and clear as a fire siren. Sometimes, many times, His call is more like a still, small voice. But we are not meant to hear the call all by ourselves. It is part of God's plan "to incorporate us as one body, so that our ears have other ears, other eyes, minds, hearts and voices to help us interpret what we have heard. Together we can hear our calls, and together we can answer them, if only we will listen for the voice that continues to speak to us in the language of our lives."

(...read the rest on our website)

PARISH LITURGIES

—THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—
January 22 – January 28

Tuesday, January 24 - St. Francis de Sales

8:30 am + Mr. Edward Kroetsch

Wednesday, January 25 - The Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

8:30 am + Michele De Vita

Thursday, January 26 - Sts. Timothy & Titus

8:30 am Int. Louisa Lai

Friday, January 27 - St. Angela Merici

8:30 am + Gerald McGraw

9:00 – 10:00 am **Adoration**

—FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—

Saturday, January 28 - St. Thomas Aquinas

4:00 – 4:30 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm For:

+ Kisoo Kim, + Tom Myoung, + Maria Im, + Joseph Kim, + Monica Punn, + Anna Kim, + Edith Bonett, + Kathleen Delima, + Cordelia Davidson, Int. Amena Austin, Int. Mozana & Greg Barfoot

Sunday, January 29

9:00 am For our

11:00 am Parish

January 18—25 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED!

Riley-Jade Collard and Raegan Kim Collard

Parents: Dylan and Linzi Collard



Beginning February 2nd, St. Dominic Parish will be offering a study centered around the new series hit, *The Chosen*. The series allows us to see Christ through the eyes of those who knew him. The Chosen takes the stories of the Gospels and at the same time tells us a story that is in between the lines of scripture.

Participants are welcome to join us in the Parish Hall from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm for a screening of an episode, followed by group discussions and activities led by our pastoral minister, Michael Aguiar; materials will be provided. We will be focusing on the first season of the series, spread through 8 sessions on the following dates:

February 2, 2023	March 9, 2023
February 9, 2023	March 16, 2023
February 16, 2023	March 23, 2023
February 23, 2023	March 30, 2023

To register, please contact Michael at the parish office or email michael@saintdominic.ca



SANCTUARY LAMP

Our Sanctuary lamp will be lit this week in Memory of Darryl Ward

Parishioners are invited to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp that hangs above the tabernacle. This candle burns 24 hours a day, seven days a week as a sign of honour to Our Lord. If you wish to sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp for a special intention during a specific week, please contact the parish office. The cost is a \$10 donation per week. Your intention will be noted in our weekly bulletin.

CONQUEST & CHALLENGE

The next Conquest & Challenge meeting will be on Tuesday, January 24th at 6:30pm at Saint Dominic School.

SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday offering envelopes for 2023 are available in the Parish Narthex for all who are currently using envelopes. If you cannot find your envelope box, please leave your name, address, and phone number and envelope box # (if you know it) on the paper that is provided. If your number is 400 or above, you will be issued a new number. If you would like to receive parish envelopes but are not currently registered in the parish, kindly fill out the registration package found at the entrance of the church. If you require more information, please contact the parish office, 905-827-2323.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions are a great treasure of the Church and have a spiritual weight that is incalculable. As Pope Paul VI said, "The Mass is the perfect form of prayer!" One single Mass has more value than all the good works of men, because the Eucharistic Celebration is the work of God, Himself. If you would like to purchase a Mass Intention for someone (living or deceased), please contact the parish office. The cost is \$10.00 per intention.

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Are you looking for a convenient, secure and easier way to make your Sunday donation to your Parish? Pre-Authorized Giving offers many benefits. It is convenient, secure and confidential. It is a direct withdrawal from your bank account and it's a means of generating a tax receipt which lowers your income tax. For more information, please contact the parish office (905) 827-2373.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's mission is to live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, justice and joy. Thank you to the parishioners of St. Dominic for their donations to the World Day of the Poor and the SSVV Special Collection in November. Also, thank you to those who supported the Angel Tree for needy SSVV families in our community. The Christmas Program assisted 41 families with food vouchers, gift cards and toiletries. The help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers these families is only possible through the generosity of our parishioners. Thank you!

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR	
Monday, January 23	Rev. Francisco Sordo
Tuesday, January 24	Rev. Peter Nwachukwu, O.C.D.
Wednesday, January 25	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (C.M.I.)
Thursday, January 26	Rev. Paul Mathew Vellimoozhayil
Friday, January 27	Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo
Saturday, January 28	St Thomas Aquinas, Priest,

WORLD YOUTH DAY FUNDRAISING DINNER

A taste of Portugal – The Diocesan WYD Planning Team warmly invites you to join us for A Taste of Portugal, a fundraising dinner in support of the Diocesan Pilgrimage to WYD Lisbon this coming summer. Hosted at St. Mary's Parish Hall on Saturday, February 4, 2023 at 6:30 pm. This dinner promises to be a feast for the senses, with Portuguese food, dancing and music to enjoy! Tickets are on sale for \$75.00 each and can be purchased by emailing us at: wyd@hamiltondiocese.com

Looking forward to having you join us!

FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

The Oakville Food Bank is especially in need of food donations to assist clients affected by the Covid 19 pandemic. Items most needed are posted on Food Share's website at:

oakvillefoodbank.com/needed-items

Donations of non-perishable foods may be left in the Food Box in the Parish Centre. These items are delivered weekly to the Food Bank.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT – February 4th – Guelph

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30 – 7:30 pm), Social with food (7:30 – 8:30 pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00 – 9:00 pm), and Compline on Saturday February 4th at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk St, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more info, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS IS BACK

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available in early January at www.hamiltondiocese.com

HEALING MASS AT ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH OAKVILLE

There is a Healing Mass every third Thursday at St. Michael's Parish 181 Sewell Drive, Oakville at 7:30 pm. The next Healing Mass will be on Thursday, February 17th. All are welcome.

"The Lord is my light and my salvation."

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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday to Friday – 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
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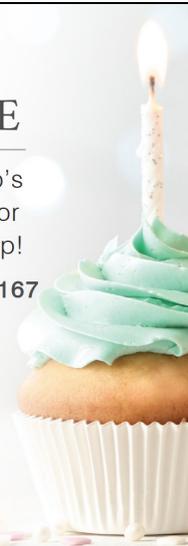
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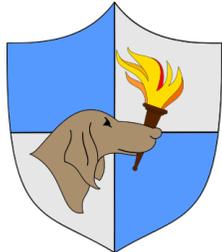
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