

St. Anne Parish
268 East Avenue
Kitchener, ON N2H 1Z4
519-745-5302
stannekitchener@hamiltondiocese.com
Website: www.stanneskitchener.ca

St Vincent de Paul: 519-745-3324

Diocese of Hamilton: 1-905-528-7988
www.hamiltondiocese.com

THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 29-30, 2026

Liturgical Readings

1) Jeremiah 20:7-9 *Despite his suffering, Jeremiah cannot stop proclaiming God's message.*
2) Romans 12:1-2 *Surrender yourself fully to God.*
3) Matthew 16:21-27 *Take up your cross to follow Jesus and value eternal life over worldly gain.*

FOCUS: Only by embracing the sacrifice of discipleship will we experience the fullness of joy and life.

Jesus reminds us that if we wish to follow him on the path of discipleship, we will have to pick up and carry our own cross. Just as Jesus was willing to give his all to fulfill the Father's will, we must be willing to give our all to fulfill his will in our lives. It is only through such sacrifice that we will experience the fullness of joy and life.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Jeremiah bemoans his prophetic call for the suffering his unpopular message has brought him, yet he says that remaining silent is unbearable for him. Paul urges the Romans to allow themselves to be transformed and to live in a way that is pleasing to God. After Jesus shares with his disciples his upcoming suffering and resurrection, he challenges any who would follow him that they must be willing to sacrifice their lives for his sake.

VOCATION CORNER



"For what will it profit anyone to gain the whole world but forfeit their life?" Isn't there more to life than chasing the dollar? Are you being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Humbly ask the Lord. If God is calling you contact Fr. John Ha, Director of Vocations
Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com, Diocese of Hamilton: 905-528-7988, hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: August 22-23, 2026

We are grateful to all who contribute their time, their talents, and their treasures to support our parish community and our mission. **Thank you!**

Regular Collection	Loose
$1,145.00	$270.00

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION – SEPTEMBER 1

The World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, on Tuesday, September 1, focuses on the theme "They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks" (Is 2:4), highlighting the deep connection between war, enviromental destruction, and human suffering. Pope Leo calls Christians to an "ecological conversion" that transforms resources devoted to violence INTO efforts that promote peace, human development, care for the poor, and protection of creation.

SCHEDULE CHANGE FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2026



The church will be closed from Wednesday, September 9 to Friday, September 11; Holy Mass will not be celebrated, nor will there be Adoration. There is a Diocesan-wide Priests Seminar taking place out of town. Please also note that the parish office will be closed on Labour Day (September 7), through to Wednesday, September 9. Regular office hours will resume on Thursday, the 10th.

MASS INTENTIONS AND DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR: AUGUST 31 - SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

	Mass Intentions	Liturgical calendar	Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar
Monday, August 31 8:00 am	**Int of** Brandon Coelho, with thanksgiving ✝ Frank Frankovic ✝ Mary and Simo Krcevinac	1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Luke 4:16-30	Rev. Kevin D'Souza
Tuesday, September 1 8:00 am	**Int of** Maria Silva **Int of** Ann Nelson ✝ Joe Amorim	**World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** 1 Corinthians 2:10b-16 Luke 4:31-37	Rev. Piotr Jurzyk ***World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation***
Wednesday, September 2 8:00 am	**Int of** Anthony and Janice Coelho **Int of** those living with cancer	**Blessed André Grasset** 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Luke 4:38-44	Salesians of St. Don Bosco, S.D.B.
Thursday, September 3 8:00 am	**Int of** Bernadette Furman-Arnott ✝ Ruth Hayek	**Memorial of St Gregory the Great** 1 Corinthians 3:18-23 Luke 5:1-11	Rev. Robert Bulbrook
Friday, September 4 8:00 am	**Int of** Barbara M ✝ Manuel and Maria Branco ✝ Paulino Matias	**Blessed Dina Bélanger** 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 Luke 5:33-39	Very Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei.
Saturday, September 5 4:00 pm	✝ Max Domingues ✝ Mariann Eckert ✝ Tony Umbrio ✝ Bob Issler ✝ Barbara Umlandt	**Saturday: St Teresa of Calcutta** Ezekiel 33:7-9 Romans 13:8-10 Matthew 18:15-20	Rev. John Iyekowa, O.S.A.
Sunday, September 6 9:30 am	**Intention of All Parishioners**		**23rd Sunday Ordinary Time**

SACRAMENTS FOR STUDENTS - 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

We look forward to welcoming young people into the church through the Sacraments of Initiation (**Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation**). For children who are starting kindergarten or are in Grade 1 or 2, and are unbaptised, please contact the parish office for information about Baptism. For this upcoming school year Confirmation will take place in February 2027, and First Holy Communion in May 2027. Information and Catechetical session dates will be announced in the next coming weeks, so check the bulletin often. Information letters will be sent home with Grade 2 and Grade 7 students from St Anne School in September.

PRO-LIFE PRAYER VIGIL ON SEPTEMBER 3

This past month, we had 9 faithful people come out to pray and be a voice and a witness for the unborn and also to pray for their mothers. We thank all who came out and those praying at home who could not attend. The next pro-life prayer vigil will be on **Thursday, September 3,** from 10:00 - 11:00 am, opposite Freeport Hospital (3570 King St. E., Kitchener). All are welcome to pray quietly for those who have no voice. Parking is across the road at Schneider Park. Please contact Cathy at cmlamers@rogers.com for queries. The next prayer vigil will be November 5.

SERIES EVENT: THE VIRTUES OF SAINTS

Please join us at the Shrine of the Sorrowful Mother (The Cemetery Chapel - 1820 Notre Dame Drive, St. Agatha) at **2 pm on Sundays in September** (September 6, 13, 20 and 27). We will be hosting a series of talks on "The Virtues of the Saints" presented by Joseph Goodwin. Each 30-minute talk will be followed with the prayer of The Divine Mercy Chaplet. All are welcome. The Shrine in St. Agatha is open for viewing each Sunday through September from 1 - 4 pm.