

Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Paul Edmondstone, Pastor
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Closed from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. for lunch
Closed Mondays

PRAYER NETWORK

"Never underestimate the power of prayer." - John Paul II, Miami 1987. Our parish has a dedicated group who pray for the intentions of those who seek or need help. Please contact our parish office with your prayer request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To make arrangements for infant or child baptism, please complete a Baptism form located at the main church entrances AND contact the office at least six weeks in advance. Attendance at a Baptism Preparation meeting is also required.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples wishing to be married at our Parish should contact the parish priest for an appointment. At least one years notice is required.

R.C.I.A.

Considering Becoming Catholic? Please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr. Paul after mass regarding the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the process for becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK HOLY COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Holy Communion is brought regularly to the sick, elderly and shut-ins by our Ministers of Communion. A Priest will be happy to bring the Sacrament of the Sick to your home or hospital room upon request.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM

Sunday 11:30 a.m. (except July and August)

PARISH SCHOOLS

Annunciation of Our Lord	905 388-4495
St. Therese of Lisieux	905-523-2335
St. Thomas More Secondary	905 388-3030

PARISH BEQUESTS

Keep your Love for your Parish alive! We invite you, in your kindness, to consider remembering Annunciation of Our Lord Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, please contact the parish office @ 905.388.2078. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs, in coordination with the funeral home, the parish will provide assistance in making arrangements for your loved one.

PARISH CENTRE RENTALS

Please contact George or Josie at 905-512-9050



CONFESSIONS

Tuesday	6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Saturday	4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

MASSES

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday	9:00 a.m.
Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

First Saturday Mass 9:00 a.m. - Confessions 8:15 - 8:45 a.m.

PERPETUAL ADORATION IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every First Friday of the month 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

THE ROSARY

Join us for the Rosary, a half hour prior to each Mass

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Saturdays at 4:15 p.m. before the Rosary

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Next to receiving our Lord and Saviour in the Holy Eucharist, Jesus is calling us to regularly visit and adore Him, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed perpetually (24 hours a day) in our Adoration Chapel. Please contact the office for access instructions or to become a regularly scheduled Guardian.

VOCATIONS

Do you feel called by God to His Priesthood or Religious Life? Our Diocesan Vocations Office is available to answer your questions and provide guidance. Contact the Vocation Director for Hamilton Diocese at 905-528-7988 or see the website www.vocationinfo.ca for further information.

WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

To all who worship with us today, may the Lord bless you!
We invite you to join our faith community. Please fill in a blue registration form found at the entrances.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)

Mass  for the Intentions  Week

Monday April 17 – No Mass

Tuesday April 18-7pm-Jose & Margarida Medeiros & deceased family members, Rose & Mario Mazzocato, Ian Continho, Delores McPhail, Stella Bizzaro, Catarina Iacopucci, Special intentions of Jasmine D’Costa

Wednesday April 19-9am-Antonio & Norina Marchetti

Thursday, April 20-9am-Domenico & Elvira Maniccia

Friday, April 21- 9am-Anna Rocco

Saturday April 22- 5 pm-Deceased members of the Monti Family, Filippina Gibilaro, Noel O’Brien, Angelina Marasco, Yolanda Cappelletti, Jose & Dina Avelar, Noreen Melo, Monica Pereira Janicas, Patrick McDonald

Sunday April 23

9:30 am-Pro Populo

11:30 am-Pro Populo

PRAY TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The two blue candles by Our Mother of Perpetual Help can be lit for your intention (\$5 each). The shrine is located by our Blessed Tabernacle. We encourage all our parishioners to take a moment and offer a prayer for these intentions:

Special intentions

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

- Monday:** Sr. Kateri Tekakwitha,
- Tuesday:** Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
- Wednesday** Jesuit Fathers (S.J.)
- Thursday:** Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel
- Friday:** Rev. Wilson Andrade
- Saturday:** Rev. Emmanuel Ralte, C.S.C.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY



- Acts 2.14, 22b-28**
- 1 Peter 1.17-21**
- Luke 24.13-35**

“Their eyes were opened, and they recognized Jesus.”

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

Sunday March 26, 2023

Regular Sunday Offerings \$4,780.65

Share Lent \$2,648.00

Turkey & Syria Emergency Appeal \$125.00

Building Fund \$62.00

Thank you for your support!

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all who helped make our Holy Week and Easter celebrations so beautiful. Thank you to our lectors and extraordinary ministers. Many thanks to our Altar Servers for their hard work and dedication. Thank you to our team of musicians for their ministry at Easter and throughout the year. A big thanks to our sacristans and those who helped set up, take down and decorate during the Triduum. Lastly, thank you to everyone who came in such large numbers throughout the Triduum, it made our Easter joy even greater. May the peace of the Risen Lord be with you and your families throughout the Easter season and always!

-Fr. Paul

MASKS DURING HOLY COMMUNION

Back in the fall, the diocese stopped mandating the wearing of masks for those distributing Holy Communion. As a parish, we have continued the practice of Father and the Extraordinary Ministers of Communion wearing masks during Communion. Effective immediately, we will fall in line with the diocesan protocol. Those who give out Communion who wish to wear a mask may continue to do so, but it is no longer required.

SERRA CLUB OF HAMILTON

The Serra Club of Hamilton is holding their annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on Tuesday, May 2 at Liuna Station. Tickets are \$90. Please email serrahamilton1965@gmail.com or leave a message at 905-628-5682.



Hamilton Right to Life Baby Bottle Campaign Change for Life Mothers' Day – Fathers' Day

Our church is once again partnering with Hamilton Right to Life through the 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign from Mothers' Day to Fathers' Day. Baby Bottles will be available to take after the Mass on Sunday May 14th, Mothers' Day, and you are asked to return them on Sunday June 18th, Fathers' Day. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your coins, paper money or cheque. Hamilton Right to Life needs your support to raise money to educate, advertise, and get the message throughout the City of Hamilton of the devastating effects of abortion and other life-threatening issues. Please pray for families affected by abortion today. You can learn more about Hamilton Right to Life at www.HamiltonRightToLife.org or by calling 905-528-3065

INDIGENOUS RECONCILIATION FUND

Next Sunday (the Third Sunday of Easter, April 23) each Parish in our Diocese will hold a collection in support of the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund. This collection supports local initiatives of healing and reconciliation with our Indigenous brothers and sisters and forms part of the larger \$30 million national commitment made by dioceses across Canada.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Will you respond to God's call to be sent as priest, deacon, sister or brother or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, please contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

SAVE THE DATE!! ANNUNCIATION PARISH PASTA SUPPER IS BACK!!



On May 17th, 2023, after a long hiatus, our Pasta supper is back! Bring your family, friends and neighbours and enjoy a delicious homemade spaghetti and meatball supper. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults, children 10 and under \$10.00 and will be on sale the weekend of April 15/16.



SEPARATED OR DIVORCED?

Looking for some learning, support and fun on a Friday evening? Join our RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive group held the 2nd & 3rd Fridays of each month. These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person at 700 King St. W, Hamilton, or by Zoom. No registration required. For Zoom contact Sarah: familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com or at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. We look forward to seeing you!

EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency". This is an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month, at 7pm - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. This month we will continue our look at *The 10 Commandments*. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith, all are welcome.

HEART2HANDSMINISTRY

A group of parishioners from St. Catherine of Siena have started an initiative to help the homeless in our community. "Plarn" sleeping mats are woven and crocheted by these individuals using the outer milk bags which are washed, cut into strips and looped together to make a yarn, which is then used in making the sleeping mats. We are appealing to parishioners to save and donate **CLEAN milk bags** which will greatly help with the production of these mats. Please drop off clean outer milk bags in the receptacle placed in the Narthex. In addition to this, members of this group are also crocheting and knitting hats, scarves and various other articles for the homeless and for shut ins in our community. If you have any yarn to donate this is also appreciated! All are welcome to come out and experience the inspiration from this group, and to join in fellowship and to help in this wonderful local project. They meet at Our Lady of Lourdes basement one Saturday every month. There will be a workshop to teach and explain how these items are produced.

The next meeting is being held **Saturday May 13, 2023** between 1 to 3 pm, in the church hall of Our Lady of Lourdes site. Please bring a pair of scissors, a ruler, and if you knit or crochet, please bring needles and supplies to do this as well. Everyone is welcome! For further information please call or text Gina 9059237186. Thank you!!

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