

Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH STAFF

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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 just outside of the Sacristy. Please 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 year's 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 parish office for details to book the hall.



ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD

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.

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Monday - Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every First Friday of the month following the morning Mass, with Benediction at 10:30 a.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

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 Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., (except during Mass, and on Sundays 1p.m. - 5 p.m.) 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 registration form found just outside of the Sacristy.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday April 22- No Mass

Tuesday April 23-7pm- *Rose & Mario Mazzocato,
Juanito Caranto, Sp. Int Sean D'Costa*

Wednesday April 24-9am – *Crocifissa Nalasco*

Thursday, April 25-9am – *Henry Gazda*

Friday April 26- 9am- *Hilda Parekh*

Saturday April 27-5pm- *Edda Aiello, Carmela George,
Alberto Succi, Dennis Roque & deceased family members,
Antonio Lim, Ernest & Aniela Eckert & Family, Barry
Duchesne, Jose Moniz, Veroncia Thomas, Rosario
Genovese*

Sunday April 28- 9:30am & 11:30am - *Pro Populo*

PRAY TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Special Intentions of Matthew



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:

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
Tuesday:	Rev. Edward Pierre Luc, S.J.
Wednesday	St. Kateri Tekakwitha Protectress of Canada
Thursday:	Most rev. Wayne Lobsinger
Friday:	Rev. David Wilhelm
Saturday:	Rev. Scott Whitfield

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 9.26-31
1 John 3.18-24
John 15.4,5

"I am the true vine, and my father is the vine grower."

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

Easter Sunday March 31st, 2024, \$11,774.30

Good Friday \$3,207.50

Share Lent \$825.00

Building Fund \$35.00

Thank you for your support!

From the Pastor's Desk

This weekend is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Please pray for the seminarians studying for our Diocese and especially for the two men who will be ordained Priests for our Diocese in July. Despite the shortage of Priests, I'll be attending a few ordinations over the next month or so in London, Toronto, and Antigonish. We pray that the Lord of the harvest will send more labourers into his harvest for our Diocese and from our parish.

Fr. Paul

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

This is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world needs leaders with courage and integrity. The Church needs good leaders as well, leaders who will unselfishly care for the needs of God's people and minister to them. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or deaconate, call Fr Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Please Note:

The Parish office will be open On Thursday April 25th at 11:00am and will be closed at Noon on Friday April 26th. Sorry for any inconvenience

PASTA DINNER, WED. MAY 22, 2024



Our annual pasta dinner will be Wednesday, May 22, 2024! There are two seating times, one at 5pm and one at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$25.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children. We are hoping that the tickets will be available for sale in the Narthex this weekend, April 20 & 21! Sign up sheets will be available in the Narthex if you would like to volunteer. More details to follow

SPRING MEMORIAL MASS AT HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY

The Spring memorial mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Saturday, April 27th at 11:00 am. The principal celebrant will be the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome!

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ wedding anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a wedding anniversary mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024, 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 one guest if you require assistance.) Registration is available online at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming Events.

Congratulations Grade 2 Students

Students of our parish received their First Communion over the last few weekends. Thanks to their teachers and parents for preparing them and to our parish musicians for providing the music at the Masses. Thank you to the Knights of Columbus who served as ushers at the First Communion Masses and for giving each communicant a rosary as a gift on behalf of the parish.

PLEASE PRAY

For the grade 7 students of the parish who will be Confirmed this week. We pray that the gifts of the Holy Spirit that they will receive will help them be more like Christ.

STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION?

Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, and find hope and healing. **Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850**

VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2024

The Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to gather on **Wednesday, May 15, 2024** at Liuna Station to celebrate the service of our Priests, Religious Brothers and Sisters, Consecrated Virgins Living in the World and Permanent Deacons. Tickets: \$90pp. Contact: serrahamilton1965@gmail.com for more details.

RESTART: REFRESH, RENEW, REVIVE FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPORT GROUP

Struggling after divorce or separation? Join us for learning, support and fun on Friday evenings. 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 (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. Register before each session here: <https://sites.google.com/view/hamilton-restart/home>, or contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or call her at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. We look forward to seeing you!

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH

When we marry, we gain a spouse and his or her family. It is essential that we agree to ensure that we, as a couple, have the most important connection and that we remain united as a family unit when stresses with extended family arise. This means coming to agreement with each other on items such as how to celebrate holidays and traditions, the raising of children and other areas that directly impact us as a couple, even when the family wants to have input. Our families can provide wonderful support to our marriage, but we must remember that the essential relationship is between our spouse and ourselves.

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