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Monday December 21- No Mass

Tuesday December 22-7 pm- *Maria Moccia, Leonardo* Moccia, Lucio Galli, Tino, Raymond, Virginia & Paul Cirone, Gino DiFonte, Bill & Shirley McCracken, Victor Ignazi Wednesday December 23-9:00am- Vincenzo Di Donato

CHRISTMAS EVE-5 PM-Pro Populo

7 PM- Pro Populo

CHRISTMAS DAY

9:30 AM -Pro Populo **11:30 AM** - *Pro Populo*

Saturday December 26-5 pm-*Paul Henderson, Dennis* Roque & deceased family members, Antonio Di Cosmo, Isabel, Alejandra & Florenzio Bernardo, Alice, Mirth, Eamon Kevin & Noel Ryan, Maureen Ryan, Salvatore Ventresca, Deceased family members of the Silvestri Family, Michele Russo

Sunday December 27

9:30 a.m. – *Pro Populo* **11:30 a.m.** –*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:

In thanksgiving to St. Theresa for favours received.

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday: Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.

Tuesday: Rev. Robert Sims Wednesday Voluntas Dei Institute Thursday: Rev. Michael Downey Friday: Christmas Day

Saturday: Rev. Martin Vallely



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Genesis 15.1-6; 17.3b-5, 15-16; 21.1-7 Hebrew 11.8, 11-12, 17-19 Luke 2.22-40

"Simeon said, "This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel."



SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Regular Sunday November 15 \$3,885.50 **Special Collection \$20.00 Building Fund-\$885.00** Thank you for your support!

CHRISTMAS 2020

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES, DECEMBER 24TH, 2020

5 PM: FAMILY MASS WITH CHILDREN

7 PM: MASS

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES, DECEMBER 25TH, 2020

9:30 AM AND 11:30 AM

NEW YEAR'S EVE, DECEMBER 31ST, 2020 -5PM

NEW YEAR'S DAY, MARY MOTHER OF GOD, **JANUARY 1ST, 2021**

9:30 am & 11:30 am

The Parish Office will be closed December 24th at noon and will reopen on Monday, January 4th, 2021

This year, due to COVID-19, we are asking parishioners to pre-register for Christmas Masses.

You may pre register by calling the office at 905-388-2078, visit the office or send an email to annun@rogers.com. Please include your name, contact and how many members of your family will be attending.

NOVENA TO INFANT JESUS

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Infant Jesus. December 16th to December 25th, 2020

Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to Infant Jesus. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to:

> Carmel of Saint Joseph 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1 St. Agatha, ON N0B 2L0

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

From the angel Gabriel, Mary heard God's plan for herlife and she said "Yes!".... and so the Saviour came into the world. Pray to know God's Will for your life, so as to help bring Jesus to our world. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, please contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS

After a delay, the new St. Joseph Sunday Missals are now available for the purchase price of \$5.00. Due to Covid-19 we will not be placing the missals in the pews this year. The missals are available at the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS DEC 2020/JAN 2021

The Parish Office hours will change for the months of December 2020 and January 2021 while Sr. Lucina is away. On Mondays, the hours are 9:30- 4:00pm. (Closed for lunch) Tuesday - Fridays the hours will be 9:30 -4:30pm. (Closed for lunch) Thank you for your understanding.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: CHRISTMAS HAMPER PREPARATIONS

Dear Parishioners.

Thanks to your prayers and support our 2020 Christmas Hamper project was able to assist over 60 neighbours in need within our Parish boundaries. We were also able to provide gifts requested by the Good Shepherd which will help them in their vocation to serve those in need within our city. Once again, thank-you for your generous sharing of prayers, and donations of money and gifts. Your efforts are a great blessing.

May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts.

Merry Christmas,

Your members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS-CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE KING

His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass from the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. The Midnight Mass will be preceded by a Carol Service beginning at 11:30 p.m. Both the Carol Service and the Midnight Mass will be broadcast on Salt+Light Media and shared with CHCH-TV. The Mass will be repeated on CHCH-TV at 8:00 a.m. on Christmas morning. Due to COVID restrictions, all seating for Midnight Mass has already been reserved. Join us for the broadcast and share in the joy of this Christmas feast!

A WALK THROUGH FRATELLI TUTTI

'Fratelli Tutti': With these words, Saint Francis of Assisi addressed his brothers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel. In his simple and direct way, Saint Francis expressed the essence of fraternal openness that allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person, regardless of physical proximity, regardless of where he or she was born or lives." (FT#1) These are the opening words from Pope Francis in his latest encyclical, On Fraternity and Social Friendship, Join us on Wednesday, January 27th for a 90 minute Zoom webinar to walk through of this beautiful document. Written by Pope Francis to "all people of good will." Presented by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of the Family Ministry Office - register online at www.hamiltondiocese.com or by calling 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The 2021 offertory envelopes are now available for pick up in the Parish Centre.

CHRISTMAS POINTSETTIAS



This year we are offering Poinsettias in memory of your loved ones and/or friends/relatives for a donation of \$35.00. Cards will be placed with the Poinsettia acknowledging your family's donation.

If you are interested, please fill out the information below and drop it off to the parish office along with your donation before December 23RD. Thank you for your support!

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ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to restrictions and concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years Anniversary starting in January on the Diocesan website. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass.



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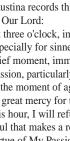
Immediately after these words & without any further explanation, Sister Faustina records this unexpected request of Our Lord:

At three o'clock, implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony. This is the hour of great mercy for the whole world. In this hour, I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion. (1320) O Blood & Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of



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