

Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Closed from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. for lunch

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 year notice is required.

R.C.I.A.

Considering Becoming Catholic? Please contact the Parish Office for information 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

At the Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 12 noon Masses (except July and August)

PARISH SCHOOLS

Annunciation of Our Lord 905 388-4495

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 death occurs in your family, please contact your Funeral Director who will coordinate with our office in making liturgical arrangements.

PARISH CENTRE RENTALS

Please contact George or Josie at 905-512-9050



CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Our Mother of Perpetual Help Mass
Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.
Friday 9:30 a.m. (Mass with School Children)
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

PERPETUAL ADORATION IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

Please call the office at 905-388-2078 for access.

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.

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

Sunday Offerings

Sunday November 12, 2017 \$6,936.40
Building Fund \$1,007.15

Thank you for your support!

Monday December 4 -No Mass

Tuesday December 5- 7 p.m.—*Hubert Whalen, Thomas John, Giovanna Pagano, Franco Di Giatomasso, Rene Gadoury, Chris Lyons, Deceased members of the Bozzo & Filice Families*

Wednesday December 6 - Lucia Esparagoza

Thursday December 7—9:00 a.m. – *Alejandra Viquiera*

Friday December 8- 9:30 a.m.-*Paul Smith*

Saturday December 9-5:00 p.m. -*Euligio Dela Luna, Alicia & Bernard Flanigan, Vita Ditto, Special intentions of Angelo D'Souza & Family, Special intentions of Ian & Claudine Macedo, Maria DaSilva, Franco di Giantomasso, Helen Richardson*

Sunday December 10

9:00 a.m. – *Tina Faiazza*

10:30 a.m. – *Pro Populo*

12:00 p.m. – *Pro Populo*

PLEASE NOTE MASS TIME CHANGES

During our Advent Parish Mission Week, mass time on Tuesday December 12th will be at 9 a.m. instead of 7 p.m. On Thursday, December 14th morning mass is cancelled and is being moved to 7 p.m.

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 of our parishioners to take a moment and offer a prayer for these intentions:

Special Intentions

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday: Rev. Charlie Jordan
Tuesday: Rev. Mark Sullivan
Wednesday: Discalced Carmelite Sisters
Thursday: Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis
Friday: Rev. Edward Mahony
Saturday: Rev. Peter Ciallella

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11
2 Peter 3.8-14
Mark 1.1-8



"Prepare the way of the Lord...."

BAZAAR NEWS

The Bazaar Committee would like to thank all of our Parishioners, their family and friends. All our Sponsors who donated so very generously and all the Volunteers who gave up their Saturday to help make this year's Christmas Bazaar a great success. We hope to see you all again next year!

Congratulations to our Capital Prize Draw Winners!

1st Prize \$1,000.00 won by Nikki Merla, Ticket #2376

2nd Prize \$500.00 won by Mr. & Mrs. D. Barlotta, Ticket #0205

3rd Prize \$250 won by Christopher Noon, Ticket # 2438

ADVENT PARISH MISSION – December 10th-14th, 2017

Our Parish will be hosting a **5-night Parish Mission beginning on Sunday, December 10th and ending on Thursday evening, December 14th, with Fr. Wade Menezes, CPM, a member of the Fathers of Mercy.** Confessions will be available from 5:30 to 6:30pm. Mission Hour with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament from 7pm-8pm. This hour begins with Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament, followed by the Mission Conference and ending with Benediction. The mission will conclude on Thursday evening, from 7 – 8 pm, with a Holy Mass with an extended homily so as to encourage everyone to receive Holy Communion which is one of the five requirements so as to obtain the **plenary indulgence** associated with having attended a Parish Mission.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS



The Knights of Columbus of this Parish will be selling the religious Christmas Cards and the Campaign Life Coalition Christmas Cakes again this year. We have these items available in the Narthex of the Church after all Masses. We hope we can count on your support as we have had in past years. All proceeds from the Christmas Cakes will be forwarded to Campaign Life Coalition and any proceeds from the Christmas Cards will be utilized in many of the Charities that the Knights of Columbus support.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS



Ladies of the CWL our Christmas dinner will be on Dec 7 at 6:00 pm. Come and enjoy a homemade turkey dinner with all the trimmings.

Tickets will be on sale in the Narthex after weekend masses until Sunday, Dec 3. Ticket price \$20.

Please note that there will not be a January meeting. We will, however, have our Chili dinner event on Saturday January 20.

Ladies of the parish interested in joining the CWL, please contact Claudia at 905-575-5379.

ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY MISSALS

Once again we are asking for your help to fill our pews with the St. Joseph Sunday Missal. The time has come to replace the old missals with the new 2018 edition. You can donate a missal for the pews at a cost of \$5.00 per book. Each book will have a label identifying the donor. Order forms are located at both entrances of the church.

RCIA AND DCF (DEEPENING CATHOLIC FAITH) PROGRAM

DATE: FROM OCT 25 TO DEC 12, 2017

ON WEDNESDAYS 7 PM — 8:15 PM

- OCT. 25 – MAN'S CAPACITY FOR GOD
- NOV. 1- THE REVELATION OF GOD
- NOV. 8 – SACRED SCRIPTURE
- NOV. 15- THE CREED
- NOV. 22 – IN BELIEVE IN GOD THE FATHER
- NOV. 29- I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST 1
- DEC. 6- I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST 2
- DEC. 12 – I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

EVERYONE IS WELCOME! The session is free. A registration form is available.

CANADA POST



Canada Post has once again printed Christmas stamps with a Christian theme and they are available now. When you are purchasing stamps, please request these special stamps to ensure that Canada Post will continue the practice of printing religious themes on the stamps each year!

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Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in January 2018 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

2018 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The 2018 Offertory envelopes are available for pickup in the hall beside the Parish Centre. Please be sure to pick up your envelopes early!

ADVENT HYMN FESTIVAL



The annual Advent Hymn Festival with the Diocesan Choir will take place on Sunday, December 10th at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 7 p.m. Special guest choir: St. Michael Spanish Choir (Oakville).

All are welcome.

**Annunciation of Our Lord Parish
Youth Ministry
Conquest and Challenge Club**
"Amen, I say to you. Whatever you do to the least brothers of mine, you did it for me"

CONQUEST (Boys Club) AND CHALLENGE (Girls Club)
<http://annunciationparish.wix.com/challengeandconquest>

Registration for 2017-2018 CONQUEST AND CHALLENGE Club is now open!

We are very happy to announce that registration for 2017-2018 is now open. We will be offering the program, twice a month on Tuesdays from 6-8pm, from September 2017 to May 2018. The cost is \$60.00. This program is open to any boys and girls from Grades 4-8. We hope to see you all back! Please pick up your registration form at the parish office or at the Narthex of the church or by calling Mrs. Tess Perez at 905.388.2078 Ext 201 for more information.

If your child is entering Grade 9 next year, they may consider coming back as a leader, gaining volunteer hours, leadership skills and faith formation!

Place: Annunciation of Our Lord School
250 Limeridge Rd W. Hamilton

Participants: Boys (Conquest) and Girls (Challenge)
Grades 4-8 (Mom & Dad are welcome!)



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