

Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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Feast of the Holy Family

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday January 1- New Year's Day Mass 10:30am

Tuesday January 2 -7pm Sheila Cirone, Sp. Int of Anne Brideau,

Wednesday January 3 – 9am - Pat Hansen

Thursday, January 4 -9am – Tony Arruda

First Friday January 5 – 9am- Marie & Paul Anthony

First Saturday January 6 -5pm-Marianna & Ignazio Bozzo, Michael Torsney, Deceased members of the Monti family, Sp. Int Flora Naccarato.

Sunday January 7- 9:30am & 11:30am -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:

For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
Tuesday:	Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I
Wednesday:	Diocesan Priests
Thursday:	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Friday:	Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
Saturday:	Rev. David Perrin

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 Jan 7th The Epiphany of the Lord



Isaiah 60.1-6
Ephesians 3.2-3a,5-6
Matthew 2.1-12

"They knelt down and paid him homage."

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

December 10th, 2023, \$6,552.45

Building Fund \$500.00

Annual Appeal \$ 1000.00

Thank you for your support!

Feast of the Holy Family

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained, or consecrated person. If God is calling you, contact Fr Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time (January 21, 2024) marks the celebration of Bible Sunday in the Diocese of Hamilton. At the conclusion of the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged every Christian community to choose one Sunday a year to renew its efforts to make the Sacred Scriptures better known and widely diffused. Our celebration of Bible Sunday is a call to listen to how #TheBibleSpeaks in our hearts and within our communities of faith. The Pastoral Offices of the Diocese of Hamilton have prepared a wide variety of resources for youth and adults in celebration of Bible Sunday 2024. Visit our website:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/thebiblespeaks/>.

Saint Vincent de Paul

Thank you to our Parish Family and schools for contributing food, gifts, and muscle power to make our Hamper Day a success. We were able to assist over 60 families this year through our Hamper program! God bless you for your generosity and prayer!"

Christmas Mass Schedule 2023

Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday December 30th 5:00 pm

Sunday December 31st 9:30 am & 11:30 am

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

New Year's Eve 5:00 pm

New Year's Day 10:30 am

VOCATIONS MASS & YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT

Friday, January 5th – Hamilton, The Serra Club of Hamilton invites all parishioners to attend a Mass for vocations at 6:00pm. Following the Mass, Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults to attend a night of Adoration, fellowship, and praise music in celebration of the Christmas Season. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:30pm), praise night and vocations talk (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Friday, January 5th at Annunciation of Our Lord (280 Limeridge Rd W, Hamilton, ON L9C 2V2). Co-sponsored by the Serra Club of Hamilton and the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Our envelopes are in and will be available in the Narthex of the Church. Please pick up your box of envelopes as soon as possible

SUPPORT FOR YOUR MARRIAGE

Does your marriage feel like it is more trouble than joy, does it feel stagnant or disconnected? Is it causing you constant stress? The solution is Retrouvaille – whose one purpose is to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves. It is designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. For struggling couples, including those who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend is March 8-10, 2024. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.co

SAVE THE DATE: THE 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 will be available online in December at www.hamiltondiocese.com

WHEN LIFE CHANGES

The Hamilton Diocese is offering a new grief program. Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! Our six-week grief program starts January 17 and will be held from 1:30-3:00 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West. You are welcome to join in person or by zoom. To register go to hamiltondiocese.com and look for the start date under upcoming events on the home page.

THE PASTORAL PARISH IN THE MODERN WORLD

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis is happy to offer a three-workshop series entitled, The Pastoral Parish in the Modern World. This new handbook created by David Wells and Bill Huebsch provides a comprehensive outline of the new vocabulary of pastoral ministry, and how to enact it in your local setting. This workshop series is designed for anyone who is working or volunteering in parish life including pastoral teams, parish councils, and youth ministry leaders. Registration for this workshop series is now OPEN. You can register here: <https://bit.ly/pastoralparish>

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