

Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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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 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 blue registration form found at the entrances.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday January 15- No Mass

Tuesday January 16 -7pm No Mass

Wednesday January 17 – No Mass

Thursday, January 18 -9am-No Mass

Friday January 19–9am No Mass

Saturday January 20 -5pm- Nicola Cicchetti,
Mary Emily Giordano (1st Anniversary), Jerry Sorbara,
George Mahler, Edda Aiello, Nestor Medina, George
Thomas, Sp. Int of Maria, Lina & Ida Aiello, Sp. Int of
Mike Hough, Sp. Int Aldy & Rhoda Correa & Family.

Sunday January 21

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:

In Loving Memory of Mary Emily Giordano

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	Rev Phillip Cook
Tuesday:	Rev. Luc Payette
Wednesday	Youth Ministers
Thursday:	Rev. David Weise
Friday:	Rev. Tom Moisan
Saturday	Rev Louis Lenssen

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



John 3.1-5,10
1 Corinthians 7.29-31
Mark 1.14-20

"Follow me and I will make you fishers of people."

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

December 24th, 2023, \$7,745.35

Building Fund \$30.00

EFT January 2024 \$ 1950.00

Thank you for your support!

Please Note:

Fr. Paul will be away from January 15 to January 24. There will be no daily Mass during that time. Weekday Masses will resume on Thursday, January 25 at 9am. Next weekend, Fr. Malcom Katzenberger will preside and preach at all Masses.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

A good vocation prayer to say everyday – from the time we are young until we are in our golden years- is found in today's first Scripture reading: "Speak Lord, for your servant is listening". Just try it with sincerity, starting today and, if you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call Fr Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Notes about Holy Communion

Father Paul and the extraordinary ministers of Communion are very happy to bring Communion to those who have difficulties walking up to receive Communion. If it's possible, we ask that those with mobility issues sit near the front so that we can see you or if you need to sit at the back, please tell Father or one of the ushers prior to Mass that you'll need someone to come give you Communion, instead of flagging us down during Communion.

For those who are gluten intolerant or celiac, we offer low gluten hosts. If you want more information, speak to Father before or after Mass.

Mass Etiquette Reminders

Just a couple of reminders to help us worship God with the reverence He deserves. Please remember to turn off or silence your cell phones and other electronic devices that make noise before entering the Church. Please also try to come on time or better yet- come early. When leaving, please make sure that the hymnals are back in the book holders and not on the pew and please make sure to take your copy of the bulletin with you. If you are in a rush after Mass, please wait until Father is at the back of the Church before leaving. Thanks for your cooperation in giving reverence to God who makes Himself present to us in the Eucharist each time we celebrate the Mass.

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/>.

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 is now available online at 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.

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of

your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night and vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Friday, February 3rd at St. Michael Catholic Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Knights of Columbus

The Knights will be holding the next parish breakfast on Sunday, February 11 after the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses. Tickets are \$15 dollars for adults and \$10 dollars for children. They can be purchased in the Narthex after Masses starting the weekend of January 6/7.

The Knights will also be selling Superbowl Squares for 10 dollars per square. If you're interested, they'll be selling them for the next few weekends in the Narthex after Mass.

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