

# 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 George or Josie at 905-512-9050



## 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.

First Saturday Mass 9:00 a.m. - Confessions 8:15 - 8:45 a.m.

## ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Monday - Saturday 7:30 p.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

## 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](http://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

**Monday June 12** – No Mass

**Tuesday June 13 -7pm-** Vincent DiBernardo, Giuseppina Calandrino, (1<sup>st</sup> year anniversary) Anthony Di Comso, Sp. Int of the Sison family

**Wednesday June 14 -9am** Filippina Gibilaro

**Thursday, June 15 -9am-** Domenico Iannozi

**Friday, June 16 - 9am-Sp.** Int of Clarissa Pinto

**Saturday June 17- 5 pm-** Caterina Calleja, Tony Cisternino, Filippina Gibilaro, Yolanda & Giulio Capelletti, George Thomas, Gaspare Guttaino, Vince & Calogero Guagliano, Gaspare & Concettina Campanella

**Sunday June 18**

**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:

**Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

- Monday:** Rev. Bernard Carroll, S.J.
- Tuesday:** Rev. William Clarke, S.J
- Wednesday** Discalced Carmelite Fathers (O.C.D.)
- Thursday:** Rev. Eric Jensen, S.J.
- Friday:** The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus  
World Day of Prayer for Priests
- Saturday:** Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**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**



- Exodus. 19.1-6a**
- Romans.5. 6-11**
- Matthew 9.36-10.8**

*“You received without payment; give without payment.”*

**SUNDAY OFFERINGS**



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**Sunday May 21, 2023**

**Regular Sunday Offerings \$4,340.35**

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**From the Pastor’s Desk**

Today we celebrate in a particular way the great gift of Jesus Christ, body, blood, soul, and divinity in the Eucharist. We are called to reflect on the great love Jesus shows us in giving us the Eucharist, in coming to us, in communing with us as we eat His body and drink His blood. Perhaps we can reflect on how we prepare to receive, how we receive, and how we give thanks after receiving this precious gift, if some of our practices have gotten a bit sloppy of late. Are we saying “Amen” when the Priest or Minister says, “The body of Christ?” Are we coming to Mass on time to prepare well to receive Jesus in the Eucharist? Are we putting our hands out flat to receive Jesus and not take him from the Priest or minister? Are we giving thanks for this great gift afterwards? These are all questions to help us all celebrate the great mystery of the Eucharist a little more deeply.

A prayer I like to say after Communion is found below:

- Soul of Christ, sanctify me.*
- Body of Christ, save me.*
- Blood of Christ, inebriate me.*
- Water from the side of Christ, wash me.*
- Passion of Christ, strengthen me.*
- O Good Jesus, hear me.*
- Within your wounds, hide me.*
- Permit me not to be separated from you.*
- From the wicked foe, defend me.*
- At the hour of my death, call me.*
- and bid me to come to thee.*
- That with thy Saints I may praise thee for ever and ever.*
- Amen*

**Fr. Paul**

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Next weekend is our last children's liturgy before the summer hiatus. It will resume at the 11:30 Mass the week after Labour Day. Many thanks to our dedicated team of leaders for running the program for our younger parishioners. If you're interested in becoming a children's liturgy leader, contact the office or speak with Father after Mass.

## BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and his Blood to drink to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to him on our journey as married, single, ordained, religious or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate religious or consecrated life, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988  
Or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

## ADORATION CHAPEL

At long last, the adoration chapel door has been fixed. The times have been adjusted. The chapel will be available for prayer Monday to Saturday from 7:30am to 9:30pm and Sunday afternoons from 1:00pm to 5:00pm. The code remains unchanged for now. Those interested in getting access to the chapel can contact the office or sign up via our website.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Are you in the middle of spring cleaning and have some previously loved items for donation? The Saint Vincent de Paul team is collecting **housewares and gently used summer clothing** after masses the weekend of June 24/25. Please note that the store will **not** collect baby seats, baby furniture, toys, electronics, or knickknacks. The store's truck will be parked in the Hall parking lot and our team will assist in the receiving of your donations. Our store is a great way to provide affordable items for families in our community. Thank you for contributing!

## HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Our Baby bottle campaign is coming to an end. If you can kindly return any bottles that you may have by Sunday June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, to the parish it would be greatly appreciated. We would like to thank everyone very much for all your support.

## PARISH CENTER DEDICATION

In consultation with the Finance Committee and His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, we have decided to dedicate the Parish Centre in memory of Pat Hansen, a founding member of the Parish and long-time sacristan, CWL member, and volunteer extraordinaire, who passed away in early January. We will officially dedicate the Parish Centre in Pat's memory on Sunday, June 18 immediately following the 11:30 Mass. Bishop Crosby will preside and preach at that Mass and will do the dedication to follow. We will have coffee and refreshments in the parish centre following the dedication. Please join us!

## PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Summer should be a time of relaxation, slowed schedules and time spent together as a family. All three of these are essential elements for good mental health for all family members, including children. So, together spend time outdoors, play games, cook, or bake and pray because these are the moments that will strengthen your family bond. Take a holiday from social media and devices while doing so, which can help to prevent the negative mental health issues in children they are known to produce. Renew your commitment to in person, device free time together this summer and watch your children thrive.

## CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

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## ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS AT GATE OF HEAVEN CEMETERY

The Spring Memorial Mass at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Saturday, June 17, at 11:00. Light refreshments will be served following the Mass. All are welcome!



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