

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 years 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

Sunday 9:30 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

Please contact the parish and arrange the day and time before your appointment with the Funeral Home.

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.
Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.
Friday 9:30 a.m. (Mass with School Children)
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.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

Monday March 2– No Mass

Tuesday March 3-7 pm-*Portia Aquino, Marie Fernando, Eileen (Shea, Connors) Watson, Saviour Calleja, Jude Malone, Sylvester Bradshaw*

Wednesday March 4-9:00am-*For the deceased members of the Licursi Family*

7 pm-STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Thursday March 5–9:00 am-*Special intentions of Denis Keane & family*

First Friday March 6-9:30 am-*Thomas Lyon Millar*

First Saturday March 7-5 pm-*Massimo Paduano, Lucio Galli, Marianna Kolodziejska, Nicola & Elgisa Sordo, For the Holy Souls in Purgatory, Rosetta Mazzotta*

Sunday March 8

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

In loving memory of Ann Ten Tusscher

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	Rev. Robert Dunn
Tuesday:	Rev. Ron Cote
Wednesday	Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton
Thursday:	Rev. Ralph Diodati
Friday:	Rev. Msgr. Paul Boucher
Saturday:	Rev. Michael McHugh



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Genesis 12.1-4
2 Timothy 1.8b-10
Matthew 17.1-9

“Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him.”

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

Sunday December 22, 2019
Regular Offerings \$6,545.00

Thank you for your support!

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Expecting a child soon or have had a new birth in your family and will be looking for baptism at Annunciation Parish? Congratulations!

Baptism preparation is an opportunity not only to prepare for the sacrament of baptism but also to re-examine our own call to live the graces of the baptism that we received so many years ago. Every couple preparing for baptism of a child is required to be properly prepared for the celebration of the sacrament of baptism.

For families who are having their first child or if it has been a while since the last celebration (2 or more years) are required to attend a baptismal preparation meeting. This can be done (and even encouraged) if mom is still awaiting the birth of the child. Registration forms will be given out by the baptismal team members at the meeting and can be filled out at the meeting (with dates available for baptism) or at home and handed into the office with a request for available dates.

Baptismal preparation dates for this year are:

Date: May 3rd

Date: July 5th

Date: September 6th

Date: November 1st

All preparation meetings take place within the church beginning at 1:00 pm. Please be on time.

Preparing early to celebrate the sacrament will ensure ample time for family and friends to celebrate.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days of prayer and fasting. Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the life-commitment God has prepared for you? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest please **contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton a 905-528-7988. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com**



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS



Members please remit your annual dues in the usual manner, either using the envelope in your set or in a plain envelope with your name and address submitted with the weekly collection.

If the current situation is not meeting your needs, you are free to join a CWL council at another parish.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2020? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 14, 2020 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster in the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to www.hamiltondiocese.com.

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated or angry in their marriage. This program has helped countless couples experiencing marital difficulty. For confidential information about, or to register for the program being offered on the weekend of March 13, 2020, call 905-664-5212 or email hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or visit the website at www.retrouvaille.org.

"Keys to Loving Relationships" is a ten week video-based program that all people (married, dating, or single) can use to develop the skills needed to have a truly meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all your relationships! The program is offered in both Kitchener and Hamilton as follows: In Hamilton: At the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King ST. W., Hamilton.

Thursday evenings from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. March 26 – June 4, 2020

The cost is \$45.00. For more information or to register, call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249 or register at: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION?

Either your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.

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Consult the Mini-magazine to learn more about Development and Peace's work: devp.org/lent/resources. For more information, please contact Raj Sinha at 905-575-5379

FRIDAY NIGHT SUPPORT GROUP FOR THOSE SEPARATED OR DIVORCED

Would it help you to have people around you to understand what you're going through? Would you like to hear some ideas that will encourage you and help you to develop new ways of coping with the stresses in your life? The **Hamilton Diocesan Support Group meets the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month** and they can help! No need to register just come and join us at the **Chancery Office at 700 King St. West, Hamilton from 7 – 9 p.m.** For more information call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. There is NO COST, but great learning, caring and support!

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**CONQUEST and CHALLENGE Youth Ministry
Registration for the 2019-2020 Year
IS NOW OPEN!**

We are very happy to announce that registration for the 2019-2020 year is now open. We will be offering the program, twice a month on Tuesdays from 5:45pm – 7:30 pm.

**Beginning December 17, 2019 –
OPEN HOUSE/COME & SEE**

KICK OFF DATE: January 21, 2020

We hope to see you all back! Please pick up a registration form at the Narthex or by calling Mrs. Tess Perez at 905-388-2078 to register and/or for more information.

Participants: Open to any Boy (Conquest) and Girls (Challenge) from Grades 4-8

Cost: \$40.00 per child



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