

# Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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## PARISH STAFF

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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 just outside of the Sacristy. Please 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](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 registration form found just outside of the Sacristy.

### BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.

# Mass for the Intentions Week

## SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

**February 18th, 2024, \$5,454.90**  
**Seminary Collection \$ 10.00**  
**Building Fund \$30.00**  
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**Monday March 11<sup>th</sup> - No Mass**

**Tuesday March 12<sup>th</sup> - 7:00pm-** *Giovanni Sebastiano, Marie & Milton Fernando, Jose & Margarida Medeiros & Deceased family members, Delores, Frank, & Lisa Larnyx, Sp. Int of Mike Traina*

**Wednesday March 13<sup>th</sup> -9:00am** *Sp. Int for St. Anthony*

**Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>-9:00am** *Bruno D'Giuseppe*

**Friday March 15<sup>th</sup> -9:00am** *Hilda Parekh*

**Saturday March 16<sup>th</sup> -5:00pm** *Letizia Bonora, Edda Aiello, Fiorina Alfieri, Mickiele Agro, Jose & Margarida Medeiros & Deceased family members, Regina Di Cola, Mario Bianco, Anna & Antonio Potrone, Humberto Soraggi Filho, In Thanksgiving for all Favors received for Joseph Family*

**Sunday March 17<sup>th</sup>**

**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. Sutherland MacDonald, C.R.
- Tuesday:** Rev. David Mowat C.R.
- Wednesday:** Lay Parish Ministers
- Thursday:** Rev. Harry Reitzel, C.R.
- Friday:** Rev Raymond Reitzel, C.R.
- Saturday:** Rev Florian Stasinski, C.R.

### 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



**Jeremiah 31.31-34**  
**Hebrews 5.7-9**  
**John 12.20-33**

Some by standers heard a voice from heaven.

### From the Pastor's Desk

Our sound system project is complete. I've never loved hearing the sound of my own voice as much as I do now. Thank you to Scott Reid and his team from Mountain Audio for their hard work and professionalism on the project at every step of the way. Thanks also to those who donated to the One Heart One Soul campaign that made this possible. I look forward to using it for years to come.

On another note, our newly created Pastoral Council met for the first time recently. Lots of good ideas for how to grow our parish were discussed and raised. We decided that we want to get people together more often in more social settings to help build our sense of community. Beginning in May, we will have Coffee Sunday in the Parish after all the Masses on the first Sunday of each month. To facilitate this and other events, we're looking at starting a social committee that can plan these events and others. If you're interested, send me an email, or speak to me after Mass.

Have a good fourth week of Lent!

**Fr. Paul**

### Fourth Sunday of Lent

St. Paul reminds us that we are "Created in Christ Jesus for good works." If you think God's plan for you could be 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](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**Holy Week Schedule:**

**Holy Thursday** Morning Prayer, 9am

Mass of the Lord’s Supper, 8pm with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Parish centre, concluding with Night Prayer at 11:00pm

**Good Friday**

Commemoration of the Lord’s Passion 12noon and 3pm

**Stations of the Cross-** 6:00pm

**Holy Saturday**

Blessing of Easter Food-11am in the Parish Centre

Easter Vigil- 8:00pm

Easter Sunday Mass- 9:30am and 11:30am

**RCIA**

We keep in our prayers our 3 elect who are preparing for reception of the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter. We welcome them over the next few weekends as we pray over them, that they may be strengthened as they prepare to receive the riches of God’s grace in the saving waters of Baptism.

**Stations of the Cross**

Every Friday evening in Lent we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:00pm with Benediction at 6:45. Confessions will be heard during Adoration. Following Benediction, we will pray the Stations of the Cross. Join us once or every week as we follow Christ on the way of the Cross.

**Saint Vincent de Paul**

Thank you, Annunciation, parishioners for your contributions to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul "Help Us Grow" campaign". Together we were able to raise over \$3400 for the expansion of the Parkdale Store. Every little bit counts! May God bless you for your generosity! Gratefully, the Annunciation SSVP Team."

**Please Note:**

The Parish office will be closed at 12 noon on Friday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

**Youth Group**

The next youth group meeting is April 7th. Students in grade 6-10 are welcome! Join us in the parish hall after the 11:30 mass until 2pm.

**St. Jean de Brebeuf Catholic Secondary School**

We will be celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary on Friday, April 19. All former and current students and staff members are welcome to attend Mass at 5:30 p.m., St. Catherine of Siena (620 Rymal Rd. E.). At 7 p.m., there will be a Pub Night at the school (200 Acadia Dr.) for those aged 19+. Tickets are \$30, including appetizers and one drink. They can be purchased via School Cash Online. Please see [sjb.hwcdsb.ca](http://sjb.hwcdsb.ca) for more information!

St. Jean de Brebeuf's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Friday April 19

Mass at St. Catherine of Siena, 5:30 p.m. Pub Night at Brebeuf, 7 p.m. (19+ event)

Tickets are \$30 online.

Tickets include appetizers and one drink.

Visit: [sjb.hwcdsb.ca](http://sjb.hwcdsb.ca)

**Easter Flowers in Memoriam**

Once again, this year we will have Easter Flowers available for a donation of \$40.00 in memory of your deceased family or friends, or on behalf of yourself and your family. Cards will be placed with the Easter Flower acknowledging your donation. If you are interested, please fill out the form and drop it off to the parish office with your donation on or before March 27<sup>th</sup>.

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