

# *Annunciation of Our Lord Parish*

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## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Paul Edmondstone, Pastor  
Susan Healy, Parish Secretary  
Peter Gibbs, Custodian

## 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 year's 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

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	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.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every First Friday of the month 6:00 - 7:00 p.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 Intentions for the Week



**Monday March 13** - No Mass

**Tuesday March 14-7pm**-Marie & Milton Fernando,  
Irene Taylor, Mary Gatto

**Wednesday March 15-9am**-Giuseppe & Giuseppina  
Alfano

**Thursday March 16-9am**- Special intentions of Cathy  
MacDonald

**Friday March 17-9:00am** – Anna Rocco

**Stations of the Cross-7 pm**

**Saturday March 18- 5 pm**-Mena Fiorino, Vincenzo  
Fanara, Anna & Antonino Petrone, Domenic & Costanza Di  
Fazio, Rosa Carmela Cusato, Fiorina Alfieri, Filippa  
Gibilaro, Antonietta Genovese

**Sunday March 19**

**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:

*Special intentions*

### Diocesan Prayer Calendar

<b>Monday:</b>	Rev. Mark Sullivan
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Rev. David Wilhelm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Lay Parish Ministers
<b>Thursday:</b>	Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen
<b>Friday:</b>	Rev. Stephen Gilbert
<b>Saturday:</b>	Rev. George Storz

### 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



**1 Samuel 16.1b, 6-7, 10-13**  
**Ephesians 5.8-14**  
**John 9.1-41**

*"I am the light of the world."*

### SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

**SUNDAY February 19, 2023**

**Regular Sunday Offerings \$4,369.00**

**Seminarian Collection \$30.00**

**Building Fund \$140.00**

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### SOLEMNITIES IN LENT

Next week the Church celebrates two Solemnities. Usually, the Solemnity of Saint Joseph is celebrated on March 19. Since it falls on a Sunday this year, it is transferred to March 20. We will have Mass for Saint Joseph at 9am that day. The following Saturday, March 25 is the Solemnity of the Annunciation, patron of our diocese and our parish. We will have Mass at 9am with coffee and refreshments courtesy of the Knights of Columbus to follow in the Parish Centre. Please join us!

### SICK AND SHUT IN CALLS

Father Paul is happy to come bring Holy Communion to those who are sick or are homebound. Just call to set up a time. Family members are also welcome to bring their loved ones Holy Communion, just to speak to Father for more information. Father will visit the hospitals as well. However, in emergency situations, when a Priest is needed urgently, please ask for the on-call priest and one will be available immediately. Please do let us know if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

### NEW ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED

We are in need of new altar servers at every Mass, especially at the 5pm Mass on Saturdays. If you're interested, please fill out a sign up sheet and return it to the office or Fr. Paul at Mass. Everyone from Grade 3 and up is able to serve. An initial training session will be held on Saturday, March 25 at 1:30 in the Church. It's a rewarding ministry and guarantees you the best seat in the house!

### ADULT FUNERAL SERVERS

We could use a few more adults to act as altar servers at Funeral Masses. Generally, funerals are held around 11:00am. If you are interested and available, please to speak to Father Paul or contact the office. Training will be provided before you begin.

**ST. JOHN'S BIBLE**

After Mass on Tuesday, March 14, there will be a presentation of the St. John's Bible in the parish centre. The St. John's Bible is a work of art and a work of theology, having been copied by hand with enlightening illuminations of various familiar stories found throughout scripture. A brief presentation will be made about the Saint John's Bible and it's production and then we will take a look at the Gospel of John, particularly the Gospel passages we will read this year on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of Lent- the woman at the well, the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus. Please join us!

**HOLY WEEK AT ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD PARISH**

**Palm Sunday April 2-** Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday- 9:30 and 11:30am

**Monday, April 3-** Mass of Chrism at Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, 2:00pm

**Wednesday, April 5,** Extra Confessions- 5:00pm-6:30pm

**Holy Thursday, April 6, Mass of the Lord's Supper,** 7:30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Parish Centre at the Altar of Repose concluding with Night Prayer at 9:45

**Good Friday, April 7-** Commemoration of the Lord's Passion 12noon and 3:00pm

**Easter Vigil, April 8-** 8:00pm

**Easter Sunday, April 9-**9:30 and 11:30am

**THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

"But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty." Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, please contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

[vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

**Do you speak, read, and write Arabic as well as English?  
 Are you interested in Refugee Sponsorship to Canada?  
 Please contact Ruth Spysma at 905-963-8795.**

**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 friends or family, or on behalf of you and your family. Cards will be placed with the Easter Flower acknowledging your donation. If you are interested, please fill out the form below and drop it off to the parish office with your donation on or before April 6<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your support!

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**Email: [ssvpparkdalemng@gmail.com](mailto:ssvpparkdalemng@gmail.com) for more info.**

**PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATIONS**

To accomplish the mission entrusted to us by Christ, Annunciation of Our Lord Parish depends entirely on the generosity of our parishioners. Several of our neighboring parishes have implemented pre-authorized donations with success. Pre-authorized giving allows you to give to your parish intentionally and faithfully through scheduled monthly transfers from your bank account. **On or near the 20<sup>th</sup> day of each month, your account will be debited an amount you specify.** These funds are then deposited directly into the parish's account. The pre-authorized program is supported and encouraged by The Hamilton Diocese. Please speak with Fr. Paul or call the parish office if you are interested. Thank you for your ongoing support!

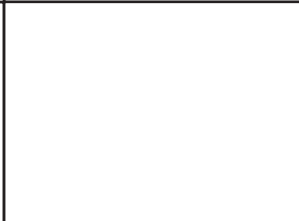
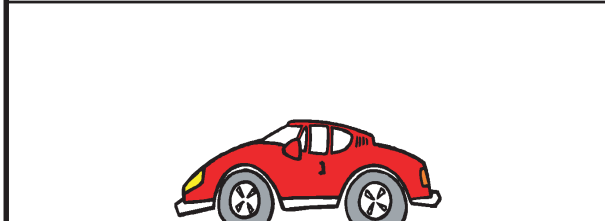


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