

# 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 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 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

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

**Monday March 25<sup>th</sup> - Mass of Christ at Cathedral**

**Basilica All are welcome 2:00pm**

**Tuesday March 26<sup>th</sup> - 7:00pm-** Antonio DiCosmo, Tim McLaughlin, Edda Aiello, Lucia Spetrini, Concetta D'Ippolito, Dennis Roque & deceased family members, Sp. Int of Jim Giordano

**Wednesday March 27<sup>th</sup> -9:00am-** William Foley

**Thursday, March 28th -8:00pm** Mass of The Lords Supper

**Friday March 29<sup>th</sup> -12:00pm & 3:00pm** Good Friday Service

**Saturday March 30<sup>th</sup> 8:00pm-** Easter Vigil

**Sunday March 31<sup>st</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

<b>Monday:</b>	Most Rev. Matthew Ustrzycki
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rev. Gerald Mulhall
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada
<b>Thursday:</b>	Holy Thursday
<b>Friday:</b>	Friday of the Passion of the Lord
<b>Saturday:</b>	Holy Saturday

### 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



Apostles 10.34a,37-43  
Colossians 3.1-4  
John 20.1-18 or 20.1-9

“ I have risen, and I am with you still.”



## SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

**March 3<sup>d</sup>, 2024, \$ 4850.85**

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### Passion Palm Sunday

Blessed are those who come in the Name of the Lord! Blessed are they who live their lives in the Name of the Lord! If you feel God is giving you the blessing of a call 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

### Holy Week Confessions

There are two final opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Easter. Tuesday, March 26 from 5:45 to 6:45. If there is still a line, Father will return to the Confessional at the 7pm Mass and stay until the last person. On Wednesday, March 27, confessions will be heard from 3:00-4:00pm sharp. Please disregard the time printed in last weeks bulletin, Father accidentally double booked himself.

## 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.

## Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

Normally, our patronal feast day is celebrated on March 25. This year March 25 occurs during Holy Week, so the solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord is transferred to the Monday after the Octave of Easter, April 8. We will have a solemn mass with music and incense at 7:00pm that evening. His Excellency, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger will preside and preach at the Mass. There will be refreshments in the Parish Centre to follow courtesy of the Knights of Columbus.

## Divine Mercy Chaplet and Mass

On the Feast of Divine Mercy, the Apostles of Divine Mercy Canada will host a special Mass beginning with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the praying of the Divine Mercy beginning after 3:15 on Sunday, April 7. Mass will follow celebrated by Father Roque Conception, Pastor of St. Mark's parish in Kitchener. A reception will follow in the Parish Centre. All are welcome. Stay tuned for more details about times the Chaplet will be prayed during the Novena.

## Easter Parish Office Hours

Good Friday March 29<sup>th</sup> Closed.  
Easter Monday April 1<sup>st</sup> Closed.

## Liturgical Publications

They will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2024 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or services. Call Liturgical Publications At 1-800-268-2637

## 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.

## 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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## The Serra Club of Hamilton

Invites you to their annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on Wednesday, May 15 at Liuna Station. Join us as we honour those to be ordained Priests and Permanent Deacons this year for our Diocese. For more information, please contact Margaret at serrahamilton1965@gmail.com

## 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 available online at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming Events.

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