

Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Paul Edmondstone, Pastor
Susan Healy, Parish Secretary
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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 year 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.

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 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 May 8- *No Mass*

Tuesday May 9-7pm- *John Coutto, Hector D'Costa, Rose & Mario Mazzocato, Michael Winn, Filippina Gibilaro, Caroline Walrafen, Denis Beaupre, Jackie Stewart, Carolina de Jesus*

Wednesday May 10-9am- *Angelino Marasco*

Thursday, May 11-9am- *Anna Rocco*

Friday, May 12- 9am- *Special intentions of Carol Ann & Leo Fernandes*

Saturday May 13- 5 pm- *Mary Emily Giordano, Corona Eri Bondan, Filippina Gibilaro, Patrick & Patricia McKenna, Francesca & Giuseppe Montecristo, Carmelo Fama, Terzo Vespa, Lina Grimaldi, Angela Falletta, Fraeleen Leeann Tolentino, Vincenzo Lofaro*

Sunday May 14

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:

In loving memory of Mary Emily Giordano

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday: Rev. David Lewis
Tuesday: Rev. Ron Cote
Wednesday Congregation of the Resurrection
Thursday: Rev. Michael Bennett
Friday: Rev. Ralph Diodati
Saturday: Rev. Robert Dunn

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



Acts 8.5-8, 14-17
1 Peter 3.15-18
John 14.15-21

"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate."

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

Sunday April 16, 2023
Regular Sunday Offerings \$5,139.18
Easter \$345.00
Good Friday \$30.00
Building Fund \$10.00
Thank you for your support!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK....

On Saturday morning, Bishop Crosby ordained four new priests for service in our diocese. We congratulate Father Jonathan Reitzel, Father Carlos Diaz, Father John Ha, and Father Paul Niesiobedzki and wish them God's blessings upon their ministries and that they may be shepherds after Christ's own heart. Father Paul Niesiobedzki will be living here at Annunciation for the rest of the month until his permanent assignment begins at the beginning of June. You may see him from time to time at Mass and around the parish- please welcome him and congratulate him! We pray for Father Paul as he begins his priestly ministry and please pray that the Pastor doesn't get too used to having someone around to help!

- **Fr. Paul**

ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD CHURCH

On May 10, 1981, Bishop Paul Reding dedicated our parish. At that Mass, the altar and walls were consecrated with Sacred Chrism for the celebration of the Eucharist and for the worship of God. On Wednesday morning, we will celebrate the Mass as a Solemnity and pray in a particular way for our parish that day. Please join us!

CROWNING OF MARY AND STATUE BLESSING

At the beginning of the 11:30 Mass next weekend, we will crown Our Lady as we honour her in a particular way during the month of May. Immediately following the Mass, a new statue for the pro-life monument just outside the front doors, which has been donated by the generosity of the Knights of Columbus, will be blessed. Please join us as we crown Our Lady and ask her maternal intercession for all people, including the unborn!

FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to the more than 70 grade two students from our parish schools who received Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time over the last couple of weekends. Many thanks to the teachers at both schools and parents for helping prepare our young people so well for this beautiful sacrament. We pray that in receiving Jesus they may become more like Him and receive Him in the Eucharist as often as possible!

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact do greater works than these...". Are you willing to do the work of the Lord as a priest, deacon, sister or brother or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, please contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
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Hamilton Right to Life Baby Bottle Campaign Mothers' Day – Fathers' Day

Our church is once again partnering with Hamilton Right to Life through the 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign from Mothers' Day to Fathers' Day. Baby Bottles will be available to take after the Mass on Sunday May 14th, Mothers' Day, and you are asked to return them on Sunday June 18th, Fathers' Day. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your coins, paper money or cheque. Hamilton Right to Life needs your support to raise money to educate, advertise, and get the message throughout the City of Hamilton of the devastating effects of abortion and other life-threatening issues. Please pray for families affected by abortion today. You can learn more about Hamilton Right to Life at www.HamiltonRightToLife.org or by calling 905-528-3065

Young Adults Night – June 3, 2023 – Acton/Halton Hills

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our Diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, June 3rd at St. Joseph, Patron of Canada (64 Church Street East, Acton, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH PASTA SUPPER IS BACK!!



On May 17th, 2023, after a long hiatus, our Pasta supper is back! Bring your family, friends and neighbours and enjoy a delicious homemade spaghetti and meatball supper. Tickets are \$20.00 for adults, children 10 and under \$10.00 and will be on sale the weekend of April 15/16.

ATTENTION ALL BAKERS:

The Spaghetti Supper Committee needs your HELP. We need Cakes, Squares, Cupcakes and whatever is your specialty. The Ladies will be handing out trays after all the Masses the next three weekends. Please fill them and return them to the Parish Centre on Wednesday, May 17, 2023. Thank you for your support!

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2023 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Please call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: MOTHERS DAY DRIVE FOR BIRTHRIGHT

As a parish, we have the opportunity again to purchase gift items for moms and newborns in support of the work of Birthright in downtown Hamilton. Starting May 6, please take a gift tag from the mobiles at the back of the church and bring your item back by May 21/22 with the tag included. It truly is an encouragement to moms to have this tangible support! Thank you for your generosity and prayers on their behalf."

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you for your donations to our St. Vincent de Paul Society! When writing a cheque, please remember to write payable to **St. Vincent de Paul Society**. The bank will **not** accept cheques made out to Annunciation of Our Lord. Thank you!

STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION?

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

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