

# *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 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 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.



## 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

## 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  for the  
Intentions  Week

**Monday October 2 -** *No Mass*

**Tuesday October 3 - 7pm** *Sp. Int Sison Family, Anna & Tullio Clappa*

**Wednesday October 4 - 9am** - *Repose of the Souls of S.V.D.P*

**Thursday October 5 - 9am**- *For all the Children in school and families doing home school.*

**First Friday October 6 -9am** – *Anna Rocco*

**First Saturday October 7- 5pm** – *Antonio Trentadue, Lorenzo Farronato, Severina Bortolanza, Rosario Genovese, Franco Fontana, Yvonne D'Souza, In Gratitude to God's Mercy & Love, Sp. Int Marg & Jack Bergie*

**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 Sheila Cirone*

**Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

**Monday:** Rev. Toby Collins C.R.  
**Tuesday:** Rev. Joseph de Viveiros, C.R.  
**Wednesday:** Felician Franciscan  
**Thursday:** Rev. Robert Love  
**Friday:** Rev. Marian Gil, O.M.I  
**Saturday:** Rev. Zygmunt Batanowski  
 Our Lady of the Rosary

**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**



Isaiah.5.1-7  
 Philippians.4.6-9  
 Matthew 21.33-43

*"The kingdom of God will be...given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom."*

**SUNDAY OFFERINGS**



IN OUR PARISH

**September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, \$ 4938.00**

**Building Fund \$ 725.00**

**Annual Appeal \$ 100.00**

**Thank you for your support!**

**To Whom Shall We Go Series**

Thank you to those who have submitted ideas or topics to discuss over the next few months.

Our first session will be this Tuesday, October 3 and we will discuss: What is the role of the Pope? It will be held in the Church following the evening Mass. Here are the topics for the next few months. November 14: Why does the Church have so many rules and do I actually have to follow all of them? December 5: The Priesthood, who can be ordained and why?

**Altar Servers Needed!**

Young people grade 3 and up are invited to become Altar Servers. Training will be on Saturday, October 28 at 1:30pm in the Church. Registration forms are available on the tables in the Narthex. You can drop them off at the office, in the collection basket, or bring it to the training session.

**Follow Us**

For the social media savvy amongst us, Annunciation of Our Lord now has an Instagram page. Follow us at [annunciation.church](http://annunciation.church) for news about our youth group and especially our upcoming bazaar.

**Thanksgiving Mass**

We will have mass on Thanksgiving Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. Join us to celebrate the great prayer of thanksgiving to God the Father as we celebrate the Eucharist.

## Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The invitation to serve often comes more than once; are you prepared with your answer? Consider ministry as a priest, deacon, religious or consecrated virgin. Are you being invited? Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

## FEAST OF ST. FAUSTINA

On Sunday, October 8, the Apostles of Divine Mercy invite you to celebrate the feast of Saint Faustina. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 3:00 with the recitation of the Divine Mercy chaplet, with Mass celebrated by Fr. Paul at 4 and a reception to follow in the Parish Centre. All are welcome!

## Thanks to Ex Corde Foundation

We are delighted to receive, once again, a generous grant of \$20,000. From the Ex Corde Foundation! The funds will be used to replace our signs in the parking lot as well as continue the upgrades of the Rectory. We will replace another bathroom, remove some old carpet in one of the upstairs bedrooms and replace some furniture in the Rectory living room.

## SMART STEPS – SUPPORTING STEP-FAMILIES

This is a one-day workshop designed to assist all parents and stepparents who are adjusting to blended family life. Sessions will be held at Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, 28 Norfolk Street. Time: 9:15a.m. - 3:30p.m., Price: \$50 per person, Date: Saturday, October 14, 2023. Register online: [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) and look under Upcoming Events. For more information contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

## THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF BISHOP JOHN FARRELL,

First Bishop of Hamilton is marked next Tuesday, September 26th. He died in 1873 at the age of 53. Among other pastoral efforts, Bishop Farrell was dedicated to building a strong Catholic school system. By the end of his tenure, twenty-six Catholic schools had been established in the Diocese of Hamilton. The first Catholic library in Hamilton was opened under Bishop Farrell in 1858, just two years after the establishment of the Diocese! Dominy Williams, Diocesan Archivist, has prepared an informative blog post to highlight the date. Please go to the following site. <https://libraryblog.hamiltondiocese.com/>

## Saint Vincent de Paul

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is running their Baby Layette drive again for the organization formally known as "St. Martin's Manor". Although no longer under the umbrella of Catholic Family Services, the Manor continues to support young single mothers in their efforts to raise their children well. This is a mandate that we wish to continue to support. Please join us in this effort by choosing a tag from the mobiles, purchasing the item listed and returning the gift (not wrapped) to the designated boxes by October 8. Please note that diapers in sizes 3-4 are VERY welcome.

**ALSO**, one of our neighbours in need is looking for a men's mountain bike in good condition. If you have one available to donate, please leave your name and number with the church office—attention St. Vincent de Paul. Thank you!

## YOUNG ADULT'S NIGHTS

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-7:30pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday October 7th at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph), and on Saturday, November 4th at Saint Pius X Church (9 Waverly Street, Brantford). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

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