

# *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 September 18-** *No Mass*

**Tuesday September 19 – 7pm** *Mafalda Vicinotti, Michael & Filippa Gibilaro, For Invocations of the Priesthood, Sp. Int Sison Family, Sp Int of Christine Vaz, Sp. Int Philomena Coutto*

**Wednesday September 20 – 9am-** *Barry Stout*

**Thursday September 21 – 9am-** *Christopher Matheson*

**Friday September 22 -9am –** *Sp Int of Nela DeMelo & Family*

**Saturday September 23- 5pm –** *Santina Sivitilli, Calcidon Calleja, George Thomas, Ryan Valentim, Virginia Manalili, Angelo Castelli, For the Holy Souls in Purgatory, Deceased members of the Monti Family*

### 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 Thanksgiving for the Pena-Ventura Family  
From James & Anne Brideau*

### Diocesan Prayer Calendar

**Monday:** Rev. Krzysztof Szkubera, C.R.  
**Tuesday:** Rev. Sunil D'Souza, O.C.D  
**Wednesday:** Salesians of St. Don Bosco (S.D.B)  
**Thursday:** Rev. Melvin Pinto O.C.D  
**Friday:** Rev. Vivek Trindade  
**Saturday:** Rev. Raphael Ma, 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



**Isaiah. 55.6-9**  
**Philippians.1.20-24,27**  
**Matthew 20.1-16**

*"The Last will be first, and the first will be last."*

### SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2023, \$ 4149.10

Building Fund \$ 10.00

**Thank you for your support!**

### From the Pastor's Desk

**Welcome!** We welcome Deacon T.J. Vandermeer who is with us to preach this weekend. Deacon T.J. is finishing his studies for the Diocese of London at Saint Peter's Seminary and God willing, will be ordained a Priest this spring. Please pray for him and all seminarians preparing to serve as priests.

Fr Paul

### Bazaar

After a four-year hiatus, the Parish Bazaar is back! It will be held on Saturday, November 18 in the parish centre. Look for details in the following weeks about donating items and ways to help.

### Sacramental Preparation Meetings

Parents of children in grade 2 and 7 and wish to register for First Reconciliation and First Communion and Confirmation this year are advised of the information meetings held next month. The meeting for those preparing for First Reconciliation and First Communion will be held in the church on Wednesday, October 25 at 7pm and the meeting for Confirmation will be held on Thursday, October 26 at 7pm in the church. Please let others know about these important meetings and make every effort to attend.

### Feast of Saint 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!

### Thank you!

After many years, Josie and George Marlin have retired from organizing the Parish Centre rentals. We thank them for their years of dedicated service to the parish. Any inquiries about renting the Parish Centre should call the Parish Office

## To Whom Shall We Go?

This was Simon Peter's reaction to Jesus' question if the disciples wanted to go away after the crowds had deserted him because they found his teaching that his body is true food and blood true drink too difficult. In our own day there are many teachings of our faith that the world finds difficult and that we ourselves might not know how to fully articulate or know why the Church teaches what she teaches. Beginning in October, on the first Tuesday of each month after the 7pm Mass, we will explore a difficult teaching- one that's either hard to understand fully or one that the world finds challenging. You are encouraged to suggest possible topics to Father Paul over the next few months, by sending him an email or letting him know after Mass.

## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." Consider service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin. If God is calling you, contact Fr Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) [hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

## For parents of children not in Catholic School

If you are a parent of a child in grade 2 or 7 who does not attend a Catholic school and would like your child to receive First Communion or Confirmation this year, please contact Fr. Paul or the parish office as soon as possible for details regarding registration and how we can help prepare your child to celebrate the sacraments.

**MOTHER PATRICIA OF THE HOLY SPIRIT** was elected Prioress of the Carmelite Nuns at the Carmel of St. Joseph in St. Agatha, last week. She will be supported in her duties by Sister Celeste of the Immaculate Conception, Sister Sarah of St. Joseph and Sister Miriam of Jesus Crucified. The Council assures the good order of community life and prayerful attention to the needs of neighbours. We are blessed to have them praying for us daily! May God bless the new Council!

## THE MASS OF DEDICATION FOR ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA CHURCH

in Hamilton is scheduled for October 22, 2023, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Parishioners from the former Corpus Christi and Our Lady of Lourdes Parishes came together a few years ago and began the process of building a new community and a new home. Excitement is building. If you haven't experienced a Mass of Dedication before, plan to attend!

## In Honor of Our Lady

Friday September 29, 2023, beginning at 6:30pm St Elizabeth of Hungary church is having an evening of Prayer, Reflection, and Holy Mass with Father Francis Geremia. Location is St Elizabeth Village 391 Rymal Rd W. All are welcome to attend.

## Grief Relief

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? Are you wondering if your feelings are normal? You are not alone! The Diocese of Hamilton has grief programs to help. Find out more on the Diocesan website at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/grief-support>, or call Teresa at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. We will have programs running in both Waterloo and Hamilton this fall.

## Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The community pancake breakfast is Back! Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under 8 years of age, and \$15 dollars at the door. There will be 2 sittings, one at 10:30am and one at 12:30pm. Tickets will be available this weekend after each mass.



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