### **Holy Rosary Parish Community**

287 Plains Road East - Burlington, Ontario L7T 2C7

#### Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, Pray for us.



#### **Mission Statement**

Holy Rosary Burlington Catholic Parish Community, disciples sent forth by the Holy Spirit to live and proclaim Christ Jesus, strives to constantly grow in faith, vibrant worship, warm welcome to all, and compassionate outreach, to be a vital witness of care and hope wherever the Lord needs us.

#### Clergy

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#### **Parish Staff**

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#### **Other Contacts**

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#### **Parish Office Hours**

Tuesday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 noon & 1 - 4 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. - 12 noon Office closed - Sat. / Sun. / Mon.

#### Masses on the Lord's Day

Saturday 5 p.m. | Sunday 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Summer - Saturday 5 p.m. | Sunday Mass 10 a.m.

#### Weekday Mass

Tuesday - Friday 8 a.m. (Rosary at 7:30 a.m.)

#### **Confessions**

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 p.m.

#### **New Parishioners**

We welcome you. Please introduce yourself and complete a registration form in the book rack at the church entrance.

#### Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound

Please contact the office whenever a family member is hospitalized or confined to home. Privacy law prohibits the parish from obtaining information from the hospital. Parish staff and volunteers visit the sick and homebound regularly and bring Communion to those unable to come to the church. Call the office if you or a member of your family wishes to receive the Anointing of the Sick.

#### **Remember Your Parish**

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Holy Rosary Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy. Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope you are spiritually enriched by the Lord's Day worship.



#### **Mass Intentions**

(8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

Join us to pray the Rosary before Mass. Rosary starts at 7:30 a.m.

Tues., Dec. 12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe	
	Lourdes Sousa	
Wed., Dec. 13	Bill Fasullo	
Thurs., Dec. 14	Irene Pesowski	
Fri., Dec. 15		
8:00 am	Susan Borsellino	
10:30 am	Holy Rosary School Advent Mass	
Sat. Dec. 16	John Rosart, Enrique Torrijos,	
5:00 p.m.	Teresa Longo, Julie McIsaac	



#### **Advent Confession Schedule**

Tue., December 12: 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Fri., December 15: 7:15 – 7:55 a.m. 8:40 – 9:30 a.m.

(Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

after Mass until 9:30 a.m.)

Sat., December 16: 3:00 – 4:40 p.m.

and after 5:00 p.m. Mass

Wed., December 20: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.Fri., December 22: 7:15 - 7:55 a.m.8:40 - 9:30 a.m.

(Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

after Mass until 9:30 a.m.)

Sat., December 23: 11:00 – 12:00 Noon

3:00 - 4:40 p.m.

and after 5:00 p.m. Mass

No scheduled Confessions on Christmas Eve, Sunday, December 24th.

Note: Confessions are always heard on Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. - 4:40 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

Note: You are always welcome to contact Monsignor to arrange a personal appointment for Confession, even outside of the abovenoted occasions.



#### SCHEDULE FOR ADVENT CONFESSIONS, AND CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASSES

These Schedules (in leaflet form) have now been prepared, and have been sent by regular mail to our current registered active parishioner households, and to some others as well. Extras are available on the entranceway table; and the Schedule is on the parish website as well. Please hold onto the Schedule for ready reference in these next busy weeks, and to inform others who might inquire of you. If you think you ought to have received a Schedule in the mail, and have not received one by mid-week, contact Divine at the rectory office 905-634-7441, or <a href="mailto:hrosary@cogeco.net">hrosary@cogeco.net</a>. Perhaps your parish registration needs to be updated!

# Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2023

Behold the Lord will come to save the nations!



#### **REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL**

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Gospel for Third Sunday of Advent is:

John 1.6-8, 19-28

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#### **DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR**

Mon. Dec. 11	Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk	
Tues. Dec. 12	Married Couples	
Wed. Dec. 13	Congregation of the Most Holy	
	Redeemer (C.Ss.R.)	
Thurs. Dec. 14	Rev. Wallace Metcalf, R.I.P.	
Fri. Dec. 15	Rev. Charles Galea	
Sat. Dec. 16 Rev. Robert Kiffman		

WATERS OF ITALY TRIP! With Fr. Mark Gatto. October 9 to 18, 2024. For more information contact Fr. Mark at mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com

## ADVENT---AND...... "COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS"

This Third Sunday of Advent is traditionally the Sunday of **JOY**, symbolized by the lighting

of the one pink or rose-coloured candle on the Advent wreath. This little moment of "respite" in the middle of the Season reminds us that the grace of Christ Jesus has set us free from sin and darkness----and it reminds us that our light of joy is to shine brightly for others, too.

We know that at Christmas our hearts will be full – we want our pews to be full also! Throughout Advent, parishes across the Diocese are being encouraged to invite all the faithful to <u>Come Home for Christmas</u>. We all know people who have fallen away from regular Mass attendance, and Christmas provides a privileged occasion to welcome them home. All parishioners are encouraged to join in this effort to extend a warm invitation to return - for more information, visit https://hamiltondiocese.com/comehome.

#### **PICKING UP 2024 CHURCH ENVELOPES**

Church envelopes for 2024 are available now in the Parish Centre, and over the next couple of weeks, arranged in alphabetical order. Free 2024 Church Calendars, sponsored again this year by Smith's Funeral Homes, are available nearby.

If you do not have regular Sunday envelopes, please consider registering for these, especially with the new year 2024 coming soon. Be aware that the parish issues Official Receipts for Income Tax purposes. To arrange to register for obtaining Sunday envelopes, please contact Divine Dimaranan at the rectory office (see below).

#### PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT (PAD)

This way of giving for your regular weekly Sunday contributions is available for your convenience; just call Divine at the church office at 905-634-7441 to sign up. If you already use pre-authorized giving and still wish to use envelopes for any Special Collections, please don't hesitate to give us a call or email: hrosary@cogeco.net.



#### THE WORD AMONG US

There are still a small number of these beautiful reflection booklets available for free on the entranceway table. These contain the

Scripture Readings for every day in Advent, with helpful meditations, and additional resources to enable you to enter deeply into the spirit of this holy time

#### CHRISTOPHER LEADERSHIP COURSE

Whether you are afraid of public speaking or would you like to take on a leadership role within your parish, <u>The Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking</u> can help. The next course begins Thursday evening, January 11, 2024, at McMaster University in Hamilton. To register or for more information, please visit www.clchamilton.com or call Frank at 905-662-4076.



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#### COMMUNAL SPIRITUAL GROWTH MEETING

This is a reminder that we do have a meeting during this festive period, a week before Christmas on <u>Monday</u>, <u>December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm</u> in the Parish Centre. Contact Vicky for more information – <u>siuming.chen@gmail.com</u>.

#### CHRISTMAS COOKIE DONATIONS NEEDED

Once again this year the CWL ladies will be assembling cookie trays for the Wellington Square United Church Christmas giveaway to those in need.

We are asking for your baked or purchased cookies (no squares), or wrapped chocolates. Please drop them off (in disposable or recyclable containers, please) in the Parish Centre kitchen on the weekend of December 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>; OR bring them by 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, December 20th. Help will be needed at that time for assembling and packaging! Thanks for once again supporting this wonderful community initiative.

#### **VOCATIONS AWARENESS**

John the Baptist is sent by God to prepare the way for His Son. In our present time God sends priests, religious and deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.** 

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

#### **ADVENT RESOURCE FOR TEENS**

The Office of Youth Ministry is pleased to announce the release of the 2023 Advent Resource, "Shine Your Light". This resource has been developed for youth aged 13-16 in mind. The resource is an interactive journal, inspiring prayerful reflection on the Sunday Gospels, in addition to suggestions for living out the Advent Season. Special links and videos are included to help teens meditate on the weekly themes. You are invited to share this resource with the teens of the family, parish and school communities. The resource is located here: https://tinyurl.com/2s3h2ejs.



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