

# Holy Rosary Catholic Community

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## Pastor

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## Parish Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday:

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. -12:00 Noon

## Our Lord's Day Liturgies

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Summer - Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m.

## Weekday Mass

Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

## Confession

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

## Catholic Funeral Rites

Contact Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

905-522-7727 or visit their website at:

[www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca)

## New Parishioners

We welcome you. Please complete a  
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## Contact us

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



Holy Rosary was formed out of portions of the Cathedral parish in Hamilton, St. John's, Burlington and St. Thomas, Waterdown. Father Bernard Harrigan was the first Pastor and the first Mass was celebrated on July 6, 1947 in the chapel of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Holy Rosary School was built in 1951. Under the leadership of Father Blake Ryan (1953-1964) a new Church and rectory were built. The 400 seat church was dedicated on May 1, 1955. In 1987, during the pastorate of Father Anthony Ciavarro, the church was redesigned with a 180 degree rotation. Beautiful stained glass, statuary, and sculpture adorn the renewed space. Other pastors who served the parish were: Msgr. Bernard Harrigan, Father Blake Ryan, Father Harold Smith, Father Carlo Bianchi, Father Anthony Ciavarro, Father Ron Cote, Father Frank Trzuppek, Msgr. Murray Kroetsch, Msgr. Edward House and the present pastor, Father Martin Valley. Today there are over 600 registered families.

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope you enjoyed your Lord's Day worship.



**Mass Intentions This Week**  
(8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)  
Join us to pray the Rosary before Mass. **Rosary starts at 7:30 a.m.**

Tues. Dec. 19	Intentions of Yolanda Fleming
Wed. Dec. 20	Anna Cupido
Thurs. Dec. 21	Gemma Trevisan
Fri. Dec. 22	Special Intention
Sat. Dec. 23 @ 5:00 p.m.	Grazia Criminisi Tom Edmondstone Sr.

**UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS/EVENTS**

<b>Sunday (Dec. 17)</b> 12 noon – Young Vincentians – Heritage Room
<b>Tuesday</b> 12 noon – Seniors' Bridge – Parish Centre
<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 am – CWL assembling cookie packages – Parish Ctr.
<b>Thursday</b> 7:30 pm – Choir Practice – Parish Centre



**Advent Confession Schedule for Holy Rosary Church**

Wed. December 20: 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.  
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Fri. December 22: 7:15 – 7:55 a.m.  
8:40 – 9:30 a.m.

Sat. December 23: 11:00 a.m. – 12 Noon  
3:00 – 4:30 p.m. and after  
5:00 p.m. Mass

No confessions on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>

**ADVENT PENANCE CELEBRATIONS IN BURLINGTON**

**Mon. Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>** @ 7 pm – St. Patrick Parish  
**Tues. Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>** @ 7 pm – St. Raphael Parish  
**Fri. Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>** @ 6:60 pm – St. Gabriel Parish

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

*We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish.*

**Dec 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Collection**

Sunday Envelopes	Loose Collection	Pre-Authorized Debit	Christmas Flowers
\$5,453.	\$550.	\$1,605.	\$1,360.

**Third Sunday of Advent**

December 17, 2017

Rejoice the Lord is near!



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because the Lord has annointed me. He has sent me to bring glad tidings.

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**REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL**

Reflect upon the next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Gospel for the Fourth Sunday of Advent is:  
**Luke 1.26–38**

**PICK UP 2018 CHURCH ENVELOPES TODAY**

2018 Church envelopes are available in the Parish Centre.

**PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT (PAD)**

This way of giving for your regular weekly Sunday contributions is available for your convenience—just call Chris at the church office 905-634-7441 to sign up. If you already use pre-authorized giving and still wish to use envelopes for any Special Collections, please call Chris or email: hrosary@cogeco.net

**WE NEED YOUR HOMEMADE COOKIES!**



In the spirit of Christmas, the Catholic Women's League is asking ladies to bake cookies for giving to the annual Christmas Dinner held every year at East Plains United Church. This event provides dinner for people who have nowhere to go on Christmas Day. If you can help, please **bring homemade cookies** (no squares, tarts or bars) to the Parish Centre at 9 a.m. on **Wednesday Dec. 20**. Stay and help package cookies if you have time. Questions? Call Suzette D'Aoust at 905-335-1335.



## CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

### Christmas Eve – Sunday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>

(No confessions today)

**5:00 p.m.** Mass with Children's Choir & Pageant  
Carols start at 4:40 p.m.

**8:00 p.m.** Mass with Cantor

**12:00 a.m.** Midnight Mass with Choir  
Carols start at 11:40 p.m.

*Solemn Mass with incense and blessing  
of the Nativity scene*

### Christmas Day – Monday, Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>

**10:00 a.m.** Mass

#### Please note:

There is no evening Mass on Christmas Day in the Diocese.

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Dec. 18	Rev. Junghyuk Choi
Tues. Dec. 19	Rev. Allen Varlaki
Wed. Dec. 20	Missionaries
Thurs. Dec. 21	Rev. James Malone
Fri. Dec. 22	Rev. Stephen Csiszar
Sat. Dec. 23	Rev. Jerome Mascarenhas, O.C.D.

## FAMILY CHRISTMAS SING ALONG

**St. Paul the Apostle Church Burlington**  
**Sunday, Dec. 17 from 2 – 4 pm**

Join us with Anthony Cheam and friends as they lead us in a Contemporary Christmas Carol Sing-Along. Free will donations for Shifra Home.

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

**Sunday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm**

Join us at St. James United Church Waterdown for our Christmas concert featuring the choirs of St. James and West Plains United churches.

## CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE KING

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD, Bishop of Hamilton will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. A carol service will begin at 11:30 p.m. followed by Midnight Mass. Salt+Light Catholic Television will air the celebration live on television and on their website. CHTV of Hamilton will also carry the telecast. This year we welcome Fr. Paul Murray, OP and Archbishop Arthur Roche (Secretary of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments, Rome) as special guests.

## NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Join us for an evening of dining, dancing & friendship at St. Paul the Apostle Parish Burlington on **Sunday Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>** @ 6 p.m. Catered dinner followed by dancing. Midnight buffet and champagne. Tickets \$85pp. Call Doris 905-541-4486 or Rita 905-332-9254 or email: [stpaulsocial2011@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulsocial2011@gmail.com)

## THIS CHRISTMAS GIVE THE 'GIFT OF SWING'

**Sunday, Jan. 28, 2018 @ 2:00 p.m.**  
**Burlington Performing Arts Centre**



In support of their many activities, the Burlington Knights of Columbus are proud to sponsor the Toronto All-Star Big Band! Come and enjoy a terrific afternoon of Swing with your family and friends. Reserve your 'Gift of Swing' by calling the box office at 905-681-6000. Tickets are only \$45pp and would make an excellent Christmas gift!

## WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES IN DUBLIN

**August 21 – 26, 2018**

### Pope Francis to attend World Meeting of Families

The Diocese of Hamilton is planning a trip to the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland. This international event is designed to be significant to people of all ages at all stages of life. Every keynote address and workshop will be based on Pope Francis' *Amoris Laetitia*, or *The Joy of Love*. This is a family event with workshop streams for those 18 and older, 6–17 years and day care for those 5 and younger. **The Diocese of Hamilton has booked a block of rooms for anyone interested in attending, but registration for the conference portion and travel are to be booked by each individual participant.** To register for conference, go to: <http://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/>. For hotel accommodation at the Maldon Hotel Tallaght, go to <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/wmof-2018> or call Teresa 905-528-7988 ext. 2250. **Diocesan accommodation must be booked by mid-January**, so contact us soon if you are interested.

## VOCATIONS

There was a man named John, sent by God, who came as a witness to testify to the Light, so that through this person all people might believe. Is it possible God could be calling your name to witness to the Light of Christ in our day? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations & Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email: [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com) or go to the website at [www.hamiltonvocations.com](http://www.hamiltonvocations.com)

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