

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.

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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 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. 21	Hugo Rodriguez
Wed. Dec. 22	Gilda & Anna Cupido
Thurs. Dec. 23	Mary Smith
Fri. Dec. 24	NO 8:00 a.m. Mass today



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve- Friday, Dec. 24th

4:00 p.m.(with Pageant)
 6:00 p.m.
 8:00 p.m.
 12:00 Midnight (with Incense)

Christmas Day- Saturday, Dec. 25th

9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
NO 5:00 p.m. Mass
 (Holy Family Sunday Masses: Sunday/26th , 9 & 11 a.m.)

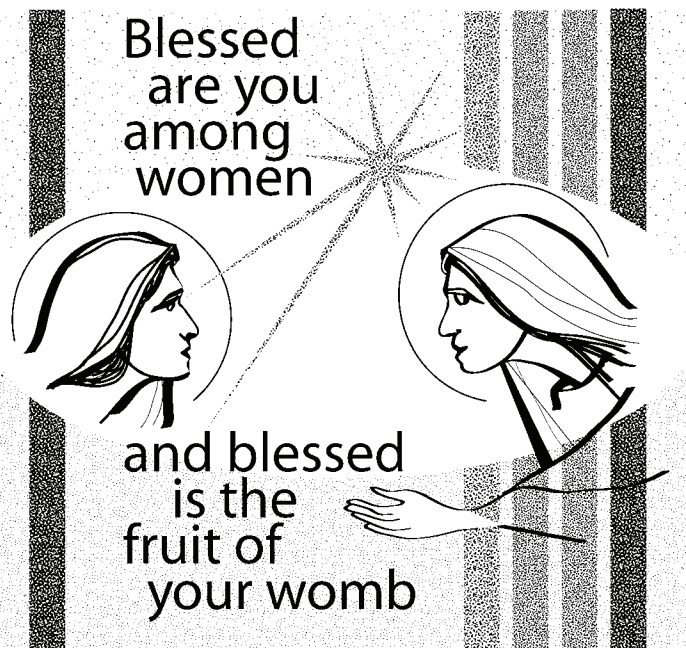
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
(New Year's)

Friday, December 31: 5:00 p.m.
 Saturday, January 1: 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
NO 5:00 p.m. Mass
 (Epiphany Sunday Masses: Sunday/2nd , 9 & 11 a.m.)

The Fourth Sunday of the Season of Advent

December 19, 2021

"Behold the handmaid of the Lord!"



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REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon the next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, is:
Luke 2:41-52

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

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

Dec. 12th Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	St. Vincent de Paul
\$ 3,842	\$ 246	\$ 1,430	\$ 950

2022 SUNDAY ENVELOPES NOW AVAILABLE

Your Sunday envelopes for 2022 **are now available for pickup** in the Parish Centre. They are arranged in alphabetical order. If you do not have regular Sunday envelopes, please consider signing up for them. The parish issues Official Receipts for Income Tax purposes. We also encourage more parishioners to participate in the Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) program. Contact Divine Dimaranan at the Rectory Office for details: 905-634-7441, or hrosary@cogeco.net.



Advent Confession Schedule

Tues., December 21: 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
 Wed., December 22: 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Note: Confessions are always heard on Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Not Christmas Day or New Year's Day, though)

Note: You are always welcome to contact one of the priests to arrange a personal appointment for Confession, even outside of the above-noted occasions.



ADVENT REFLECTIONS

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is sponsoring an Advent series of reflections on video, featuring Most Reverend Donald Bolen, Archbishop of Regina. He puts the Advent Sunday

Scripture Readings into touch with our ongoing struggle for reconciliation with our indigenous brother and sisters in Canada. Go to: <https://cccb.ca>.

Concerning the delegation of Indigenous leaders and Bishops meeting with Pope Francis: regretfully, due to COVID concerns, this series of meetings has been postponed until into the New Year. May God's Spirit guide those intense and special moments, once they are finally able to take place.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Dec. 20	Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz
Tues. Dec. 21	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Wed. Dec. 22	Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v. Dei.)
Thurs. Dec. 23	Rev. Meskel Abib Aibu, O.F.M.
Fri. Dec. 24	Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.
Sat. Dec. 25	Christmas Day (The Nativity of the Lord)

CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS – CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE KING, HAMILTON

His Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, will celebrate Midnight Mass on December 25, 2021. The Mass will be preceded by Carols at 11:30 p.m. on December 24. The Carols and the Mass will be shown live on Salt+Light Television and CHCH-TV. Admittance to the Cathedral for Midnight Mass is by **ticket only** – a limited number of tickets are still available by contacting the Cathedral at (905) 522-5744.

A FREE OPPORTUNITY FOR GREAT CATHOLIC ONLINE RESOURCES

FORMED.org is a Catholic website created and maintained by the St. Augustine Institute in the U.S. The site is filled with educational and entertainment material, including teaching videos, along with entertainment videos for all ages that will keep you learning and/or entertained on a wide array of topics. The website is worth exploring, as it will help you discover the beauty and depth of our Catholic faith through a variety of entertainment genres. Our parish has been blessed with the opportunity to work with the Family Ministry Office in the Diocese, with thanks to a kind donor, to provide up to 40 people/families with a free one-year subscription to the FORMED website. There is no obligation beyond enjoying the material! If you are interested, please contact Mary Edmondstone at mary.edmondstone@cogeco.net, or at 905-634-7441, and we will start the process of getting your free subscription.

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

December 25, 2021

Today is born our Savior,
Christ the Lord!



Christmas, 2021

Dear friends,

As we come to this year's celebration of the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ, we all know how we feel about the continued dragging on of COVID through another entire year. Together with so many other struggles and problems in the world, it can be very easy to become discouraged and lose hope. We really need Christmas. The Christ Child's birth renews our awareness that God is present with us, gives rise to a sense of hope that tomorrow the world can be a better place, and re-energizes us to act with love.

I really urge all of us to open our hearts to the infant Christ. Let him in, to comfort and strengthen your life from within. Then graciously share this message of love with all those who need to hear it: the lost, the sick, the lonely, the grieving, the poor, all those who need to hear the Good News at this time.

We are so grateful for our parish community, which has proven again this year to be extra generous with time, talent, and treasure, under the weight of more setbacks, restrictions, and difficult circumstances.

May this Advent/Christmas time be for you a time of rediscovering the Child Jesus. In doing so may you experience peace, joy and love. Thank you, once again, for your loving support in the great gift we share in this community. May your blessings be many at this holy, wonderful Season.

Monsignor Martin Vallely

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