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prepare the way...

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope you enjoyed your Lord's Day worship. May God bless you and your family abundantly.



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.**



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve – Monday, Dec. 24th
 (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 – Tuesday, Dec. 25th

10:00 a.m. Mass

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

Please note: NO MASS on Wed. Dec. 26th

Thurs. Dec. 27	Feast of St. John Intentions of Marie Jeanne Chiasson
Fri. Dec. 28	Feast of the Holy Innocents Intentions of Corinne, Kylie and baby Landon
Sat. Dec. 29 @ 5:00 pm	Maria Zitnak Dr. Don Gardner Intentions of Joe & Hilda Thomas on their 40 th Wedding Anniversary



SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

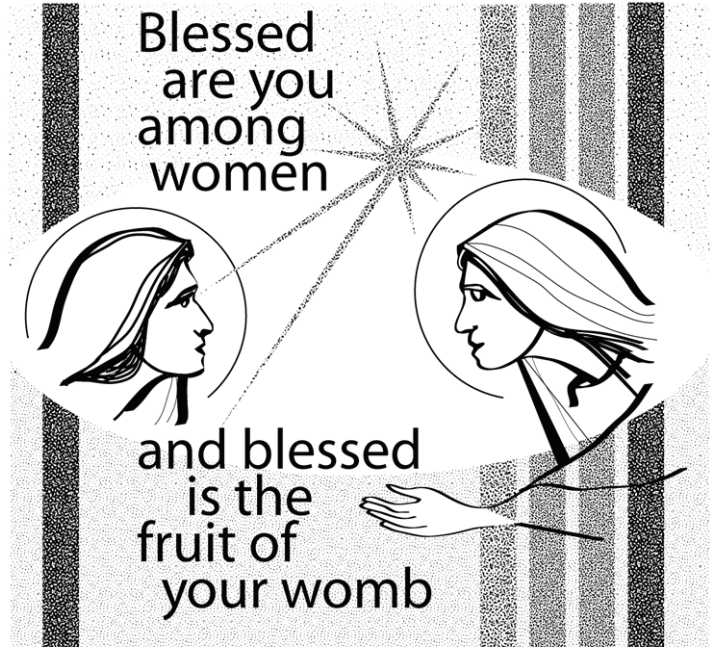
Monday, Dec. 31st 5:00 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 1st 10:00 am

CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
Dec. 21st at 12 noon until Jan. 2 at 9:00 am

The Fourth Sunday of the Season of Advent

December 23, 2018

"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 gospel for the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph: Luke 2.41-52

CHURCH DONATIONS FOR 2018

Don't forget, in order to receive a charitable tax receipt for 2018, donations must be received **before Dec. 31**. Receipts will be available or mailed late January, early February.

2019 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Church envelopes for 2019 will be available at the Church office after Jan. 2nd during normal working hours.

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.



OUR PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED

We offer our prayers for **Gerrard Fleming** (son of Yolanda). May he enjoy the blessedness of eternal life.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Dec. 24	Rev. Francis Hubilla
Tues. Dec. 25	Christmas Day The Nativity of the Lord
Wed. Dec. 26	Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)
Thurs. Dec. 27	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Fri. Dec. 28	Rev. Duy Van Nguyen
Sat. Dec. 29	Rev. Kevin D'Souza

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.

CHRISTMAS MASS ON TV

For those who cannot make it to church, please join the Catholic Community and watch the Daily TV Mass: Christmas Eve on VisionTV at 9:00 pm and Christmas Day at 8:00 am and 12 noon on Vision TV or, 11:00 pm on Salt + Light.

THIS CHRISTMAS GIVE THE GIFT OF MUSIC

Sunday, Jan. 20th, 2019 @ 2:00 p.m.
Burlington Performing Arts Centre



The ideal Christmas gift for the person who has everything! Join us as we relive "**The Best of Broadway**" featuring the **Toronto All-Star Big Band**. If you missed the concert last year, put it in your

calendar NOW! Better still, if you want that preferred seat, now is the time to reserve. Cost \$45 per person. Call box office at 905-681-6000 or go online at www.burlingtonpac.ca. **Sponsored by the Burlington Knights of Columbus.**

VOCATIONS

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest or religious consecrated man or woman, or deacon to carry the Good News of God's great Love? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 or email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

December 25, 2018

Today is born our Savior,
Christ the Lord!



Christmas, 2018

Dear friends,

Again this year, in late November, at the invitation of Pope Francis, we marked the World Day of the Poor throughout the Catholic world. It takes on special resonance as we welcome our refugee family, coming to us from strife-torn Afghanistan. The Lord always reminds us that what we do for "the least" of his own, we are really doing for him. To reinforce that message, Jesus himself came to us poor. Born in humble surroundings, he was telling us that he knows we are all poor. And then he went further, taking our sins on himself, to set us free.

At Christmas we want to give thanks for our many blessings, but we must not forget our poverty, either. And anything we can do to help relieve the misery of so many in the world, will be a sharing in the work Christ came among us to fulfill.

Thank you again this year for your loving support and for the gift of our community. May your blessings be many at this holy and wonderful time.

Father Martin Vallely



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