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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.**

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

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| Wed. Dec. 27 | Feast of St. John Gilda & Anna Cupido |
| Thurs. Dec. 28 | Feast of the Holy Innocents Joseph Tokar |
| Fri. Dec. 29 | Maria Lourdes & Manuel Sousa |
| Sat. Dec. 30 @ 5:00 p.m. | Zvonko Turk Mark Tonkovich |



CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve – Sunday, 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 – Monday, Dec. 25th

10:00 a.m. Mass

Please note:

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



**SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

NEW YEAR'S MASSES

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

CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

Dec. 22 at 12 noon until Jan. 2 at 9:00 am

**Fourth Sunday
of Advent**

December 24, 2017

Let the earth be opened
and bring forth a Savior.

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth to a virgin named Mary



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REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon the next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Gospel for the Feast of the Holy Family is:
Luke 2.22-40

CHURCH DONATIONS FOR 2017

Don't forget, in order to receive a charitable tax receipt for 2017, donations must be received **before Dec. 31**. Receipts will be available or mailed late January, early February.

2018 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Church envelopes for 2018 will be available for pickup at the Church office after January 2nd during normal office 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.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

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| Tues. Dec. 26 | Rev. Roshan D'Souza, O.C.D. |
| Wed. Dec. 27 | Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.) |
| Thurs. Dec. 28 | Rev. Lawrence Parent, O.F.M. |
| Fri. Dec. 29 | Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski |
| Sat. Dec. 30 | Rev. Brian Quigley, M.C.C.J. |

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.

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.

NEW YEAR'S PARTY

Join us for an evening of dining, dancing & friendship at St. Paul the Apostle Parish Burlington on **Sunday Dec. 31st** @ 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

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!

The Nativity of the Lord Christmas

December 25, 2017

*Today is born our Saviour
Christ the Lord!*



Christmas, 2017

Dear friends,

Year after year we come to this great celebration of the birth of Jesus; year after year our hopes and dreams never change. We long for a world of justice and peace, and for peace in our own hearts, lives, and families. We continue to seek the embrace of the One who first called us into being. And we pray that we have grown a little wiser, a little more humble, a little more loving, as another year has passed.

At Christmas we call to mind that God earnestly desired to share life with us completely. Whatever we can become, it is due to his life dwelling within us, as surely as that tiny baby dwelt in the manger that first Christmas night, to be worshipped and loved, to be ours, even as we are his.

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 of year.

Father Martin Vallely

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