

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.

First Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2023

I lift up my soul, to you,
O my God!



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. 5	Kathleen & Neil Gibbons
Wed., Dec. 6	Italo Cantarelli
Thurs., Dec. 7	Doris Taylor
Fri., Dec. 8	Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary James Collins
Sat. Dec. 9 5:00 p.m.	Maria Helena Moniz, Joseph Bercik Gemma Silvestri, David Stockall



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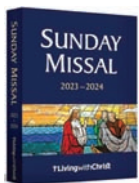
ADVENT

This wonderful Season of Advent is given to us by the church in order for us to prepare our hearts well for the coming of the Saviour. We invite parishioners to mark the weeks of Advent by having Advent Wreaths in your own homes. Lighting a new candle each week reminds us of the passing of time, and of our longing for the Light of the World to come to save us. This symbol is particularly powerful for instructing children in the message of this Season. And thank you to all who offered to help in lighting the candles each week on our own Advent wreath!



THE WORD AMONG US

Again this Advent, beautiful reflection booklets are 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. Feel welcome to take additional booklets for family and friends.



SUNDAY MISSALS STILL ON SALE

Sunday Missals are available in the pews for your use during Mass. New missals for 2023-2024 are still available for purchase (\$5.00) for those who wish to have a personal copy to use at home. They take effect this weekend, December 2nd & 3rd. Everyone is encouraged to have their own Missal.

SMITH'S FUNERAL HOME ANNUAL CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL SERVICE

In this service, deceased loved ones are honoured, and their memory cherished, including with the lighting of candles. Non-perishable food item or unwrapped toy would be appreciated, to be donated in memory of loved ones. At Saint Paul the Apostle Church, 2265 Headon Road, Sunday, December 10th, 4:00 P.M. RSVP immediately, to www.smithsfh.com/burlington-memorial-service-rsvp; or call 905-632-3333.

REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week. The Gospel for Second Sunday of Advent is:
Mark 1.1-8

OUR GIFTS TO GOD November 26th Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Saint Vincent de Paul
\$ 4,355	\$ 555	\$ 1,580	\$ 6,370

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish. More than **\$ 15,000** has been donated to Saint Vincent de Paul in the last three weeks, including over \$ 1,400 raised at the CWL Christmas dinner last Monday! Bless your generosity!!!

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Dec. 4	Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Tues. Dec. 5	Grandparents & Elderly
Wed. Dec. 6	Order of Preachers (Dominican, O.P.)
Thurs. Dec. 7	Rev. Donald Sanvido
Fri. Dec. 8	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sat. Dec. 9	Rev. David Perrin

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



**AN INVITATION TO ALL, FROM
HOLY ROSARY YOUTH GROUP:
A CHRISTMAS FAMILY MOVIE
AND CRAFTS NIGHT!!!**

Holy Rosary Youth Group would like to invite your family for an evening of fun and pre-Christmas spirit. Bring your favorite blanket and pillow and join us for a movie night, featuring the movie "*The Grinch*".

Our Youth Group will be collecting non-perishable food items at the door, to donate to St. Vincent de Paul here at the Parish to help families during the Christmas season. We look forward to seeing you that evening!

When: **This Coming Friday, December 8, 2023**

Where: Holy Rosary Parish Centre

Time: Doors open @ 5:30 P.M., Craft starts @ 6:00 P.M.,
Movie Following

**COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS....WHEN YOU
HAVE LOST A LOVED ONE**

An afternoon of reflection and strategies on coping at Christmas. The session will be facilitated by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of the Diocesan Office for Family Ministry. The gathering will be held at the Diocesan Chancery Office, 700 King Street West in Hamilton, **this Sunday, December 3rd, 2023, from 1:30 – 3:00 pm.** You are welcome to join the session in person or by zoom. FREE of charge.

PICKING UP 2024 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Church envelopes for 2024 are available now in the Parish Centre, and over the next few 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.

CHRISTOPHER LEADERSHIP COURSE

Whether you are afraid of public speaking or would you like to take on a leadership role within your parish, **The Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking** 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.

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

These Schedules have now been prepared, and are being sent by regular mail to our current registered active parishioner households, and to some others as well. Extras will be available on the entranceway table. 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 the end of this week or thereabouts, contact Divine at the rectory office. Perhaps your parish registration needs to be updated!

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL- FREE!

FREE...Come Home for Christmas Festival---bring your families and come celebrate with us!

Today, Sunday, December 3, 2023 from 1:00 - 4:00 P.M.

Mount Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre, Ancaster
437 Wilson Street East, Ancaster, ON, L9G 3K4

Fun includes: Music, Hot Cocoa, Cookie Decorating, Crock-a-Doodle Christmas Ornament Painting, Magic Show, Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Local Artisans (cash only) & Santa.

Donations of cash, or non-perishable food items collected to benefit the Bishop's Charities.



**BE STILL AND KNOW
THAT I AM GOD
ADVENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN:**

Women are invited to join St. Raphael Parish's prayerful Advent Retreat for Women this **Saturday, December 9, from 9:00 A.M. to Noon.** The programme for the morning consists of a Eucharistic Liturgy, *Praying in Colour*, Lectio Divina, and a shared lunch. Suggested donation is \$10 at the door. Please register in advance online at: tinyurl.com/ya4mbnxc or by phoning the St. Raphael parish office at 905-637-2346.



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The price per ticket is only \$48.00. You can go on-line to reserve your seat by calling the box office at 905-681-6000 or by going to their website at www.burlingtonpac.ca.



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