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Feast of the Holy Family

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope you are spiritually enriched by the Lord's Day worship.

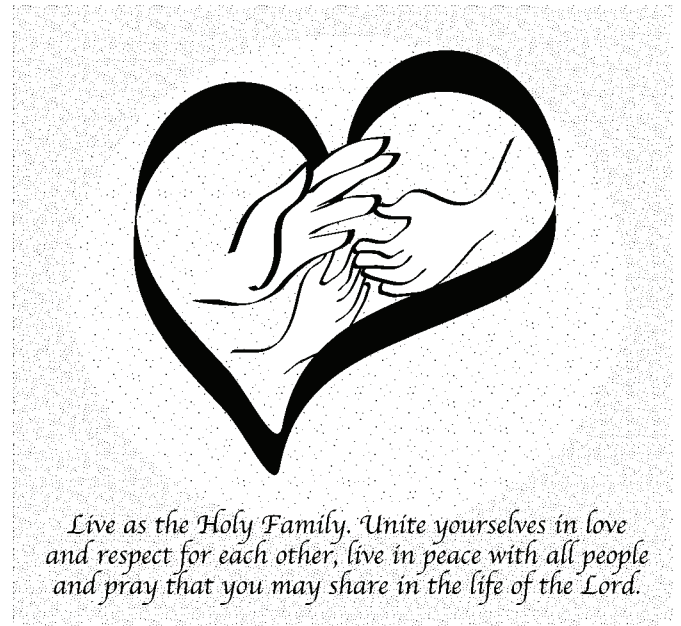


Mass Intentions
 (8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)
 Join us to pray the Rosary before Mass.
Rosary starts at 7:30 a.m.

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

December 31, 2023

Grant that we may imitate the Holy Family!



Live as the Holy Family. Unite yourselves in love and respect for each other, live in peace with all people and pray that you may share in the life of the Lord.

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REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.

The Gospel for New Year's Day, The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, is:

Luke 2:16-21

The Gospel for The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, is:


Matthew 2.1-12

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish. Reports on the End-of-Year Collections, including Christmas and New Year's, will be made available at a later date.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Jan. 1	The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
Tues. Jan. 2	Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.
Wed. Jan. 3	Diocesan Priests
Thurs. Jan. 4	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Fri. Jan. 5	Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
Sat. Jan. 6	Rev. David Perrin



Feast of The Holy Family

Saturday, December 30: 5:00 P.M.
 Sunday, December 31: 9:00 A.M.
 Sunday, December 31: 11:00 A.M.

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Sunday, December 31: 5:00 P.M.
 Monday, January 1: 10:00 A.M

Tues., Jan. 2	Gino Abballe
Wed., Jan. 3	Fr. Mike Downey
Thurs., Jan. 4	Florence MacDonald
Fri., Jan. 5	Intentions of Pauline & Gerry Morgan
Sat. Jan. 6 5:00 p.m.	Adele Granata, Jorge De Sousa Roy White

NOTE: CHURCH OFFICE RE-OPENS:
 Wednesday, January 3rd, 2024, 9:00 A.M.

CHURCH DONATIONS FOR 2023

Don't forget: in order to receive a charitable tax receipt for 2023, donations must have been received before Dec. 31st. Receipts will be available late January or early February.

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NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

**God, thank you for a new year.
 May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate.
 We know that you are always ready to forgive us.
 Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.**

**As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires.
 Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do.
 Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.**

Amen.

PICKING UP 2024 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Church envelopes for 2024 are still available for another week or two in the Parish Centre, arranged in alphabetical order. A few more 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 very 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.



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Sunday, January 28, 2024 2:00 TO 4:30 PM at the
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VOCATIONS AWARENESS

Feast of the Holy Family - December 31, 2023

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

SPECIAL NOTE: Father Mark Morley will be here at Holy Rosary Parish for the weekend of January 27th – 28th, 2024 (when Monsignor Martin is away for a week). Fr. Mark will bring his encouraging Vocations message, and he looks forward to meeting young adults from the parish and elsewhere. For further information on what is being planned, contact Cristian Lecanda, our Youth and Family Minister, at clecanda@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-634-7441.



Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Mother of God January 1st, 2024

We are still in the midst of the Christmas Season, and on January 1st the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. One of the most outstanding characteristics of Mary is her willingness to know and do God's will. On January 1st the Church also celebrates WORLD DAY OF PEACE, where Catholics are invited to pray for peace throughout the world, especially in areas ravaged by war and terrorism. Mary is a good model for prayer and meditation. She reflected on events that happened and were happening. She meditated. In our busy lives today, we often overlook meditation as a prayer.

Let us ask Our Blessed Mother's intercession that we, in this New Year, will come to the Lord for his help and assistance. ***O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to Thee.***

SLAVERY, CATHOLICISM, AND LESSONS FOR TODAY

Webinar presented by Concerned Lay Catholics. Featuring Father Christopher J. Kellerman, S.J., Secretary of Justice and Ecology for the Jesuit Conference of Canada and the USA. Saturday, January 20th, 2024, 2:00 P.M., on ZOOM. To register, go to <https://concernedlaycatholics.ca>; check out the poster on the parish bulletin board.

VOCATIONS MASS

Arranged by the Serra Club of Halton. To pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Permanent Diaconate, Religious Life, and Consecrated Life. Celebrant will be Bishop Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., with Diocesan Vocations Director Father Mark Morley concelebrating. At Saint Gabriel's Church, 2261 Parkway Drive, Burlington, **Tuesday, January 30th, 2024, 6:30 P.M.** All welcome!

And when we give each other Christmas gifts in His name, let us remember that He has given us the sun and the moon and the stars, and the earth with its forests and mountains and oceans --- and all that lives and moves upon them. He has given us all green things, and everything that blossoms and bears fruit, and all that we quarrel about and all that we have misused --- and to save us from our foolishness, from all our sins, He came down to earth and gave us Himself.

---Nobel Prize-winning Norwegian Author, Sigrid Unset
---Quoted in Bishop Crosby's 2023 Christmas Greeting





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