


Holy Rosary Parish

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Parking & Access
Church, Parish Hall

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Interpreted Mass: 11:00 a.m. 

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday: 7:40 p.m.
Saturday: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS LIFE: For more information or assistance, you may contact your parish priest or Rev. Mark Morley, the Diocesan Vocation Director at 905-528-7988, ext. 2223 or www.vocationsinfo.ca

ADORATION CHAPEL

The Blessed Sacrament is available for adoration 24 hours per day. For adoration outside regular office hours, please register at the office for the door code. Adoration is offered for Vocations on the First Friday of every month.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Administration Office as soon as possible after the birth of your baby.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the Administration Office, generally, one year in advance. At least one party to the marriage must be Catholic and living within the territory of the parish or a parishioner of Holy Rosary Parish.

MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Rosary Parish is a Catholic Community rooted in Faith, Hope and Love. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we strive to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ and spread it to our growing and diverse community. We welcome and reach out to individuals and families through Worship, Evangelization, Christian Formation and Service to all God's people.

PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. John Van Hees, Pastor
Fr. Nishil Varghese, CMI, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. James Whittaker, Deacon

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Corina Thomas, Parish Secretary
Angela Cumming, Parish Secretary
Dennis Herrero, Property Manager

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE 905-878-6535

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
(Summer Hours: Office closes at 3:30 p.m.)
Saturday 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

OUR SCHOOLS

Bishop Reding Secondary	905-875-0124
Our Catholic Elementary Schools	
Our Lady of Victory	905-876-4379
Holy Rosary	905-876-1121
St. Peter	905-878-4626
St. Anthony of Padua	905-864-8272
Queen of Heaven	289-851-9329

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please take time to tell us about yourself. Parish registration forms are available in the foyer of the church. These may be completed and placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please email your announcement to the Parish Office at reception@holyrosaryparish.ca by Monday at 9:00 a.m.

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family please contact the parish office and we will assist you in making liturgical arrangements. The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton website is www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Tuesday, Dec 17, 2024

8:00 a.m. †Stephanie Butler

7:00 p.m. †Gilda Vieira; †Vincenza Berardi; †Luisa Villanis; †Charlotte Leavitt

Wednesday, Dec 18, 2024

8:00 a.m. †James & Richard Peacock

7:00 p.m. †Matthew Charles Lobo

Thursday, Dec 19, 2024

8:00 a.m. †Richard Murray & Gerard Murray

Friday, Dec 20, 2024

8:00 a.m. S/I Ricky & Pilar and Family

Saturday, Dec 21, 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. †Dec. Memb. Antonucci & Pedulla Families;
†Keith Kirkham; †John O'Connell; †Marie Sluik

Sanctuary Lamp – Week of Dec 15th, 2024

In Loving Memory of Maria & Filippo Rizzo

Readings for Sunday, Dec 22nd, 2024:

Micah 5.2-5a
Hebrews 10.5-10
Luke 1.39-45

*“Restore us, O God;
let your face shine, that we may be saved.”*

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CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY GROUP OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Lay Carmelites are Roman Catholic men and women called to seek God's Will in the ordinary circumstances of everyday life. They are part of an 800-year-old tradition of contemplative prayer, community, and ministry. Meetings are held on the **third Saturday** of the month from **9:30 to 11:30 am** in our parish hall. Our next meeting is **December 21st**. For more information, please visit: www.laycarmelites.org or contact **Noreen D'Souza** at noreendsouza72@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Christmas Vigil Masses

Tuesday, December 24th, 2024
Masses at Holy Rosary Church
5:00 pm, 7:00 pm, and 9:00 pm



Please note that caroling takes place 30 minutes prior to each Mass.

Masses During Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25th, 2024
9:00 am and 11:00 am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Tuesday, December 31st, 2024
5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1st, 2025
9:00 am and 11:00 am

2025 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

The new Offering Envelopes for 2025 are available in ALPHABETICAL ORDER on the tables in the outer foyer of the Church.



- Please ensure that you take the envelopes with your name and address on them.
- If you did not use envelopes last year and wish to contribute to the parish, or if you have changed your address, please contact the parish office.
- We ask you to please recycle all old church envelopes from previous years.
- We appreciate it when you put your name on the outside of the first couple of envelopes to ensure accurate posting of your donation to your name.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual Food Drive after each Saturday and Sunday Mass during Advent until **December 21st & 22nd**. Please drop off non-perishable items at the Knights trailer in the church parking lot. Cash, credit, or debit donations are welcome. **Keep Christ in Christmas lawn signs** will be available for \$10.00 each. Food Drive donations can also be made online at <https://www.HolyRosaryKnights.ca>. Thank you for your generosity!





WELCOME TO THOSE WHO WERE BAPTIZED INTO GOD'S FAMILY

December 2024: Xavier Faller, Riley Fisher, Alonzo Ortiz Santos, Ayla Ortiz Santos, Teodoro Pacchione, and Tiaraoluwa Yerokun.

May God bless and help your parents and godparents in their role as first educators in the ways of our Catholic Christian Faith.

SIMBANG GABI AT ST. BENEDICT PARISH

Simbang Gabi! or "Night Mass," is a cherished Filipino Catholic tradition consisting of Masses leading up to Christmas. Join us for Simbang Gabi Masses on **December 17th, 20th, and 23rd** at **7:00 PM** at **St. Benedict Parish, Milton**. Everyone is welcome! For more information, please visit: <https://stbenedictparish.ca/event/simbang-gabi-night-mass/>.

THANK YOU!



We wish to thank the Knights of Columbus as well as the Catholic Women's League for hosting the Parish Breakfasts, Coffee Sundays, and other events throughout the year. We greatly appreciate your ongoing support in bringing our parish community together!

PAJAMAS FOR CHILDREN

Clare Cutrara of our parish is collecting pajamas for boys and girls from 1 year old to 18 years old on behalf of Pack A Bag. To donate pajamas, please contact **(905) 875-2449**.

TAX DONATIONS

Thank you so much for your support in all the many ways you give! All financial donations for the 2024 tax year should be received by **Sunday, December 29th**. Any donations that come in after this date will be applied to the year 2025.

PRISON MINISTRY

Holy Rosary Church has an active prison ministry. Volunteers from the parish regularly visit both Maplehurst and Vanier correctional facilities, which are both located in Milton. If you are interested in learning more about this important ministry and joining our dedicated group of volunteers, please call **Mike Darling** at **(905) 876-2997** for Maplehurst or call **Nuala Harold** at **(647) 405-9196** for Vanier.



DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

We know that at Christmas our hearts will be full – we want our pews to be full also! Throughout Advent, parishes across the Diocese are being encouraged to invite all the faithful to **Come Home for Christmas**. We all know people who have fallen away from regular Mass attendance, and Christmas provides a privileged occasion to welcome them home. For more information, visit: <http://hamiltondiocese.com>.

REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR KINDERGARTEN

Kindergarten registration at the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) for the 2025-2026 school year is now open! Parents and guardians who are interested in registering their child for kindergarten are invited to visit the HCDSB website for more information: <https://hcdsb.info/KindergartenRegistration>.



OUR SUNDAY BULLETIN

Liturgical Publications advertising will begin in **February**. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at **1-800-268-2637**.



CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the parish office will close at noon on **Tuesday, December 24th** and will remain closed between Christmas and New Year's. Regular office hours will resume on **Thursday, January 2nd**. General mailbox messages will be checked daily.

PRAYER INTENTION FOR VOCATIONS

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister and announce the Good News to His People as John the Baptist did? Contact **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations** at or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com or call **(905) 528-7988**.

Please remember to especially pray for our priests:

- Dec 16** – Rev. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.
- Dec 17** – Rev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.
- Dec 18** – Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v.Dei.)
- Dec 19** – Rev. Ilija Petkovic
- Dec 20** – Rev. Vinko Nenadic
- Dec 21** – Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.

Refer to our website: www.holyrosaryparish.ca for additional events, information, & updates.



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