

Holy Rosary Parish

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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

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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



Tuesday, Dec 10, 2024

8:00 a.m. †Mary Ryan

7:00 p.m. †Dec. Memb. Arpa & Gaetan Families; S/I Sylvia Michelle Lee; S/I Samantha, Amanda, & Andrea; S/I Edward & Nicole

Wednesday, Dec 11, 2024

8:00 a.m. †Virgilio Herrero; †Ozzie Pento

7:00 p.m. No Evening Mass

**** Advent Evening of Reconciliation will be celebrated at St. Benedict's Parish starting at 6:30 pm****

Thursday, Dec 12, 2024 – Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 a.m. †Mirella Mootoveren

Friday, Dec 13, 2024 – St. Lucy

8:00 a.m. †Angelo Marzano

10:30 a.m. †Joseph Camarata

Celebrated at Allendale Life Care Centre

Saturday, Dec 14, 2024 – Third Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. †Maria S. Razal & Uldarico P. Razal Sr.; †Lena Tavares; †Apolonio Villaruel, Oscar Banting Jr., Filomena Roasa; In Thanksgiving

Sanctuary Lamp – Week of Dec 8th, 2024

In Loving Memory of Enzo Mustillo

Readings for Sunday, Dec 15th, 2024:

Zephaniah 3.14-18a

Philippians 4.4-7

Luke 3.10-18

*“Shout aloud and sing for joy;
great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel”*

† † † † †



CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the parish office will be closing at noon on **Tuesday, Dec 24th** and will remain closed between Christmas and New Year's. Regular office hours will resume on **Thursday, Jan 2nd, 2025**. General mailbox messages will be checked daily.

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.

ADVENT EVENING OF RECONCILIATION



You are invited and encouraged to participate in our Evening of Reconciliation. It will be held on **Wednesday, December 11th at 6:30 pm** at St. Benedict's Parish. There will be guest confessors available. This evening is a time for personal prayer and an opportunity for individual Confession. We must prepare ourselves to celebrate Christ's birth at Christmas. Spend time with our Lord during Advent.

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



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The CWL Christmas Dinner will take place on **December 12th** at **6:00 pm** in the parish hall. Our festive dinner will include: Roast Turkey, Beef Stew, Roasted Vegetable Wellington, and all the fixings. Tickets are \$40.00 for Members and \$50.00 for Non-Members. To RSVP, contact **Clare Cutrara** at **(905) 875-2449** or **Colleen Motrich** at **(905) 691-7400**. The deadline to RSVP is **December 8th**.

The CWL is selling Advent wreaths (\$28) and candles (\$16). Proceeds support local and national charities. To order, please contact **Margaret Doma** at **(905) 546-7253**. Thank you for your ongoing support!



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IN SOLIDARITY WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

DECEMBER 12, 2024

The Canadian Catholic Indigenous Council, founded by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in 1998, proposes that the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, be a National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples. All are invited to join their Indigenous sisters and brothers in a special way this day through prayer and acts of solidarity. Indigenous leaders in Catholic Education will present a webinar reflection **December 12th** at **4:00 pm**. To register, please visit: <https://bit.ly/4eFW4hl>.

OUR SUNDAY BULLETIN



Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in **February 2025**. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at **1-800-268-2637**.



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!



CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY

ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS – FEAST DAY DECEMBER 14TH

Carmel cherishes mystics, those who have been transformed directly by God's love. John of the Cross, a 16th-century Spanish Carmelite, was a mystic who towers above most. John captures his experience in poetry, hoping that we can resonate with him and so recognize God's love active in our own lives. To learn more, visit: <https://www.holyrosaryparish.ca/carmelite-spirituality-group.html>.

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**.

PRAYER INTENTION FOR VOCATIONS

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly "*prepare the way of the Lord*"? 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 9 – *The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Dec 10 – Rev. Lawrence Parent

Dec 11 – Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (C.Ss.R.)

Dec 12 – *National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples*

Dec 13 – Rev. John Ha

Dec 14 – Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.

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>.

2025 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

The 2025 Catholic Missions in Canada Calendars are available for purchase at the parish office for \$5.00.



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