Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Paul Edmondstone, Pastor pedmondstone@hamiltondiocese.com Fr. Fernand Pierre, Associate Pastor Susan Healy, Bookkeeper Annette Corey, Parish Secretary Peter Gibbs, Custodian

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. for lunch Closed Mondays

PRAYER NETWORK

"Never underestimate the power of prayer." - John Paul II, Miami 1987. Our parish has a dedicated group who pray for the intentions of those who seek or need help. Please contact our parish office with your prayer request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To make arrangements for infant or child baptism, please complete a Baptism form located just outside of the Sacristy. Please contact the office at least six weeks in advance. Attendance at a Baptism Preparation meeting is also required.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples wishing to be married at our Parish should contact the parish priest for an appointment. At least one years notice is required.

R.C.I.A.

Considering Becoming Catholic? Please contact the Parish Office or speak to Fr. Paul after mass regarding the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the process for becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK HOLY COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Holy Communion is brought regularly to the sick, elderly and shut-ins by our Ministers of Communion. A Priest will be happy to bring the Sacrament of the Sick to your home or hospital room upon request.

905 388-4495

905-523-2335

905 388-3030

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM

Sunday 11:30 a.m. (except July and August)

PARISH SCHOOLS

Annunciation of Our Lord St. Therese of Lisieux St. Thomas More Secondary

PARISH BEQUESTS

Keep your Love for your Parish alive! We invite you, in your kindness, to consider remembering Annunciation of Our Lord Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, please contact the parish office @ 905.388.2078. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs, in coordination with the funeral home, the parish will provide assistance in making arrangements for your loved one.

PARISH CENTRE RENTALS

Please contact parish office for details to book the hall.



ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday	6:00 p.m 6:45 p.m.
Saturday	4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
	or by appointment

MASSES

Tuesday	7
Wednesday - Friday	9
Saturday	5
Sunday	g

7:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Monday - Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m. Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every First Friday of the month following the morning Mass, with Benediction at 10:30 a.m.

THE ROSARY

Join us for the Rosary, a half hour prior to each Mass

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Saturdays at 4:15 p.m. before the Rosary

ADORATION CHAPEL

Next to receiving our Lord and Saviour in the Holy Eucharist, Jesus is calling us to regularly visit and adore Him, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., (except during Mass, and on Sundays 1p.m. - 5 p.m.) in our Adoration Chapel. Please contact the office for access instructions or to become a regularly scheduled Guardian.

VOCATIONS

Do you feel called by God to His Priesthood or Religious Life? Our Diocesan Vocations Office is available to answer your questions and provide guidance. Contact the Vocation Director for Hamilton Diocese at 905-528-7988 or see the website www.vocationinfo.ca for further information.

WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

To all who worship with us today, may the Lord bless you! We invite you to join our faith community. Please fill in a registration form found just outside of the Sacristy.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.

Mass for the Intentions Week

<u>Monday Dec 9th 7:00pm-</u>Feast of the Immaculate Conception- *Pro Populo*

<u>Tuesday December 10th -7:00pm-</u>Reynaldo Manuel, Lusamma Ulahanna, Veroncia Pinto, Special intentions of the D'Mello family, Special intentions of Sophia Brown, <u>Wednesday December 11th 9:00am-</u>Special Intentions of Brian Pinto

<u>Thursday December 12th-9:00am-</u> Mary Emily Giordano <u>Friday December 13th 9:00</u>am-Antonietta Caruso <u>Saturday December 14th 9:00am-</u>Pro Populo

5:00pm-*Michelina Pisano, Josephine Azzopardi, Angelo, Isolina & Rina Scattolon, Giulo & Yolanda Cappelletti, Antonietta Caruso, Nunzio Leone, Robert Petrauskas, Arnel Villanueva, Herminio, Antonieta & Antonio Franco, Antonio, Conceicao, Manuel & Joe Cacilhas, Special Intentions of Dan & Elizabeth*

Sunday December 9:30am & 11:30am-Pro Populo

PRAY TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The two blue candles by Our Mother of Perpetual Help can be lit for your intention (\$5 <u>each</u>). The shrine is located by our Blessed Tabernacle. We encourage all our parishioners

to take a moment and offer a prayer for these intentions:

Special Intentions of St Lucy In Loving memory of Giuseppe and Filomena D'Agata

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed
	Virgin Mary
Tuesday:	Rev. Lawrence Parent
Wednesday:	Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer
Thursday:	National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with the Indigenous Peoples
Friday:	Rev. John Ha
Saturday:	Rev. Robert Kavelj

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY



Zephaniah 3.14-18a Philippians 4,4-7 Luke 3.10-18

"John proclaimed the good news to the people."



SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Sunday November 17th, 2024, \$ 5442.20 Parish Appeal \$ 400.00 Building Fund \$ 920.00 EFT December 2024 \$ 2493.00 **Thank you for your support!**

From the Pastor's Desk

Thank you for your prayers over the last number of weeks. The surgery and my recovery have gone very well. I felt very sustained by your prayers, especially on the hard days. I'd like to thank Fr. Pierre and the parish staff for their hard work in my absence. As we continue the season of Advent, we pray that we might be ready to welcome the Lord Jesus into our hearts once more at Christmas and to greet Him when comes again in glory.

Fr. Paul

Jubilee 2025, Pilgrims of Hope

An ancient tradition of the Church is to hold a year of Jubilee every 25 years. The last ordinary jubilee year was in 2000, which marked the beginning of the third millennium and 2000 years since the birth of Christ. Pope Francis has made the theme for Jubilee 2025 "Pilgrims of Hope." The Jubilee year will begin on the feast of the Holy Family, December 29 and conclude on the feast of the Epiphany, January 6, 2026. We will mark the beginning of the jubilee year at Masses on the feast of the Holy Family. Stay tuned for more details about how we will mark this jubilee year as a parish and throughout the diocese.

Second Sunday of Advent

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, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Offertory Envelopes

Our Offertory envelopes will be avaiable soon, please watch for further announcements to pick up your box.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Please see below our list for our Christmas Mass times

Tuesday December 24th, Christmas Eve

5:00pm & 10:00pm Mass during the evening, (incense will be used at this Liturgy)

Wednesday December 25th Christmas Day

9:30am & 11:30am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Tuesday December 31st 5:00pm & Wednesday January 1st 10:30am



Advent Wreath Sign-Up

Once again, we are looking for families or individuals to light the Advent wreath at all our weekend Masses during the season of Advent.

Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex, it will be out until all the spots are filled

Young Adults Mass and Vox Talk

Sunday, December 15th - Hamilton During the Advent Season, Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend Mass at 7:00pm and participate in the first of a series of Vox Talks at 8:00pm, this one in preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025 entitled "Christian Hope in an Anxious World" on Gaudete Sunday, December 15th at the Sisters of St. John the Baptist Convent (329 Mohawk Road West, Hamilton, ON, parking in rear off of Lynbrook Drive). Doors open for prayer and confessions at 6:30pm. Social with snacks following the Mass. Co-sponsored by the Congregation of the Sisters of St. John the Baptist and the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/ For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPER FOOD DRIVE

Together with the Knights of Columbus, the SSVP are collecting non-perishable food items to be included in our Christmas Hampers for our

neighbours in need. This drive will run each week from **October to mid December** when our donations are added to the collections of our partner school in advance of Hamper Packing Day. Thank you for your generosity!

THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OF THE DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

A MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASS at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington on the second Tuesday of each month. The names of people interred in one of the Hamilton/Burlington area Catholic cemeteries during the previous month are read during the Universal Prayer, and their relatives receive an invitation to attend. The next Mass will be on Tuesday, December 10th, at 4:30 p.m. It is one of the great benefits of our Catholic cemeteries. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS POINTSETTIAS IN MEMORIAM



This year we are offering Poinsettias in memory of your loved ones and/or friends/relatives for a donation of \$40.00. Cards will be placed on the flowers and

placed on the altar. If you are interested, please fill out the information below and drop it off at the parish office along with your donation sometime before Friday December 20th

Donated by:
Phone:
In Memory of:

Advent Confessions In addition to our regular scheduled confession times, during the Advent season, confessions will be on Saturdays from 1-2 pm. During the third week of Advent there are a few more opportunities to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation to prepare for Christmas. Additional Confession times will be Tues Dec 17th after 7pm mass, until finished.

Wed Dec 18th 4-6pm, both priests available, and Thurs Dec 19th 6:30-8:30pm.

Please note there will be no Confessions on Tuesday December 24th.

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