# 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

#### Monday Jan 27<sup>th</sup>- NO MASS

<u>Tuesday January 28<sup>th</sup>-7pm Mass-</u>Luciana Sienna, Angelo Crosta, Vincenzo Aiello, Gabriel Deheon, Dennis Roque & Deceased family members, Special Intentions of the Sison family.

<u>Wednesday January 29<sup>th</sup>-9:00am-</u>Sam Leone <u>Thursday January 30<sup>th</sup>-9:00am-</u>Concetta & Camillo Dippolito

**Friday January 31<sup>st</sup> 9:00am-** Ralph & Rita Clow **Saturday February 1<sup>st</sup> 5:00pm-** Vincenzo & Mario Raso, Antonio Agresta, Douglas Linton, Arthur & Yvonne D'Souza, Francesco D'Amico. Helena Columbus, Deceased member of the Monti family, Special Intentions of Oliver Coutto Sunday February 2nd 9:20am & 11:20am Bra Boyula

Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:30am & 11:30am-Pro Populo

#### PRAY TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



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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 Tricia & Arnold D'Cruz

#### Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	Rev. Ralph Diodati
Tuesday:	Rev. David Lewis
Wednesday:	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate
Thursday:	Rev. Robert Sims
Friday:	St John Bosco, Priest
Saturday:	Rev. Arpee Nicolas Urquico

#### 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**



Malachi 3.1-4 Hebrews 2.10-11, 13b-18 Luke 2.22-40 or 2.22-32

"This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel."



## SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Sunday December 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, \$ 5042.90 Christmas Collection \$ 645.00 Building Fund \$ 30.00 January EFT \$ 2571.00

# Thank you for your support!

# Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

# **Bible Study**

In mid-February we are pleased to be starting an 8week Bible study through Ascension Press called "Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible". The series begins with the book of Genesis and will go through the story of Israel, the coming of Jesus, the sending of the Holy Spirit and concludes at with the book of Revelation. There are sign-up sheets on the tables in the Narthex for those interested. There are a couple of proposed times, please indicate which time you would prefer.

The response to our Bible study has been tremendous. We will run both times advertised. The first sessions will be Monday, February 10 at 6:30pm and Thursday, February 13 at 2:00. All sessions will be held in the parish centre and will last for roughly an hour. Bring a Bible if you have one.

## **Bible Sunday**

This weekend is the Sunday of the Word of God or Bible Sunday. We give thanks for the gift of the Scriptures in our lives and pray that God's holy Word might speak to our hearts and our minds each day.

## Sisters of the Poor

This Thursday, January 30, is our parish's next turn to help with the Sisters of the Poor of Jesus Christ's outreach to the homeless. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex to put your name down next to what you'd like to donate. Donations can be brought to the parish office on Tuesday and Wednesday this week. For those interested in helping the sisters, packing the lunch bags begins at 10:00am at St. Stanislaus Church on Barton Street.

# Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Next weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the temple traditionally known as Candlemas. We'll bless candles at the beginning of each Mass that can be taken home for use so that the light of Christ might prevail in our homes and in our hearts.

## YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations on Saturday, February 1st. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, February 1st at the St. Michael's Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/ For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

## **Income tax receipts**

Coming soon, please watch for your tax receipts, we will have them in the Narthex of the Church for you to pick up the weekend of Saturday Feb1st & Sunday February 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Men's Group

The Men's group at the parish will resume on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February and running for 7 consecutive Saturdays a series on St. Joseph titled, "With a Father's Heart". Based on the apostolic letter "Patris Corde", in which Pope Francis notes, "After Mary, the mother of God, no saint is mentioned more frequently in the papal magisterium than Joseph her spouse." The group with the help of the study guide and videos based on this very papal letter will delve into topics such as a Beloved Father and a Creatively Courageous Father, to name a few. The study guide will be distributed to the participants free of cost and will be open to all men of the parish to not only encourage and build the bonds of community but the very foundations of the domestic church.



### Have you picked up your envelopes yet??

They are in the hallway just outside the Parish Centre. Please make sure to get

them after Mass. Please look for your name on the top of the box as some numbers may have changed.

## **CHANGE OF PARISHIONER INFORMATION**

If you are registered with us, please let us know if any of your personal information has changed.

Envelope # \_\_\_\_\_ (if known)

Family Name: \_\_\_\_ First

Last

New Address:

Home phone number: \_\_\_\_\_ or

Old Address:

Cell phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to the Parish office

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