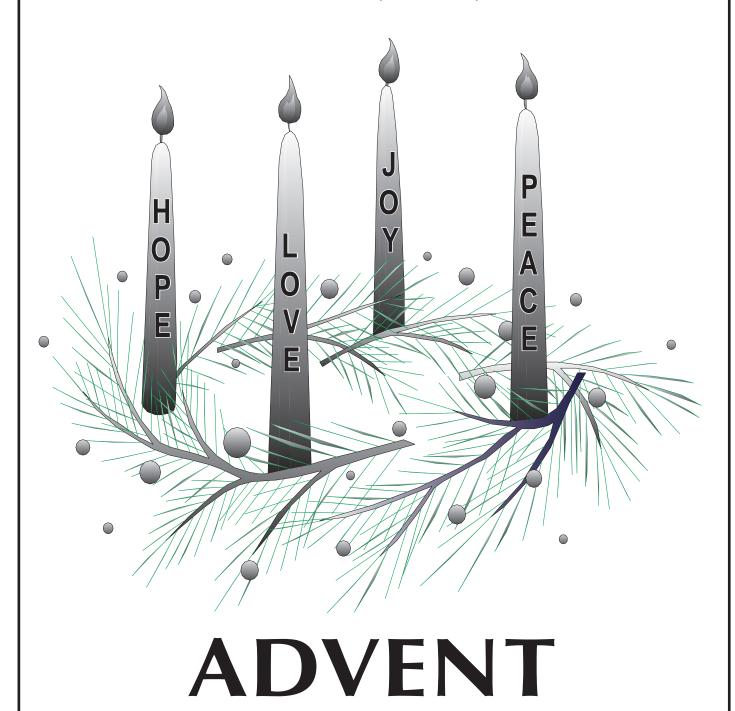
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MONDAY- DECEMBER 23RD

7:15 am + John Oneill

TUESDAY- DECEMBER 24TH

7:15 am + Kathleen Pickett

5:00 pm - Family Mass

7:30 pm – St. Joseph Syro-Malabar Catholic Parish Christmas Holy Qurbana

12:00 midnight – Midnight Mass:

WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 25TH – THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

9:00 am – For Commentators & Lectors
11:00 am – For all deceased in whose memory
Christmas flowers adorn our sanctuary.

THURSDAY- DECEMBER 26TH - ST. STEPHEN

11:00 + Renzo Bartolomeo

FRIDAY – DECEMBER 27TH – ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

7:15 am ++ Pietro & Rosaria Memmolo

SATURDAY – DECEMBER 28TH – THE HOLY INNOCENTS

9:00 am – In Thanksgiving

SUNDAY LITURGY THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

SATURDAY - DECEMBER 28TH

5:00 pm + Eleanor Wahler

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 29TH

9:00 am + Antonio Mendes 11:00 am - Living & Deceased Parishioners

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev Jerek Scherber, L.C. TUESDAY – Rev. Adam Zettel, L.C.

WEDNESDAY – Christmas Day – The Nativity of the Lord

THURSDAY – Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I. FRIDAY – Rev. Rijo Jose, C.M.I. SATURDAY – *The Holy Innocents*

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners! With joy and child-like enthusiasm I would like to express my gratitude for your many Christmas prayers, best wishes, and seasonal gifts! In the spirit of gratitude, I daily keep you in my prayers. May God bless you always! Fr. Adam



ALTAR SERVERS BOWLING

Fr. Adam and Deacon Rene invite all Altar Servers for our upcoming 5-pin bowling night on Thursday, January 2nd from 4:00 -6:00 p.m. at the

Mountain Lanes located at 335 Upper Wentworth. We trust that parents will bring their children for a fun night out with their friends.



<u>Twinning Mission</u> <u>Update</u>

In our report to the parish on the weekend of October 26-27, we advised that due to the ongoing violence and controlling gangs in

Haiti, food and other supplies are very expensive and in short supply. Father Jude has responded to the hunger that the children of St. Gabriel parish have been facing, through his finding a way to provide a healthy meal, three times per week during the school year, at a cost of approximately \$1,000.00 US per month. With the ongoing commitment of providing for the teacher salaries, we challenged the parish to respond as well to this urgent need to feed the hungry children of Beau Sejour. The response has been remarkable with a total of \$ 11,383.69 in donations received by the end of November.

At the Twinning Committee meeting on December 11^{th,} emboldened with such a generous response to this appeal to feed the hungry children, it was

decided to allocate an additional \$ 3,000.00 US, with an immediate transfer of \$1,000.00 US to Father Jude in December 2024. Each of the next scheduled transfers in February and May 2025 will also include an additional \$1,000.00 US to help feed the children through this current school year which concludes in June 2025. To all who have and continue to support this important mission, we express our heartfelt gratitude and pray that Our Lord continue to bless you and reward you for your kindness.



To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven...

A Time to Die...

Let us remember in our prayers:

RENZO BARTOLOMEO

who died November 28, 2024

RODOLFO CASSIANI

Who died November 29, 2024

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

<u>VOCATION INSERTS</u> Fourth Sunday of Advent – December 22, 2024

Are you called to follow in the footsteps of Mary as a priest, deacon, or religious to carry the Good News of God's great love? Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

"TREE OF REMEMBRANCE"



Once again our Christmas tree in the sanctuary is decorated with red crosses and white angels. The crosses will have the names of those parishioners who have died during the past year. The

angels will have the names of those persons who

have been baptized in our parish during the last year. As part of their service project, some of our Confirmation candidates have made and prepared these crosses and angels for our tree. We thank them for sharing their time and talent.

DECEMBER 26TH – FEAST OF ST. STEPHEN



This Saint lived a life of service, caring for widows and preaching the Good News to all who would hear. This deacon was called to imitate Christ, even unto death, as he is noted as the first Christian Martyr.

<u>DECEMBER 27TH – FEAST OF ST. JOHN THE</u> <u>APOSTLE</u>



He stood faithfully at the foot of the cross when the Saviour made him guardian of His Mother. John is credited with the writing of three epistles and one Gospel. He is also thought by many to be the author of the Book of Revelation.

<u>DECEMBER 28TH –</u> FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS



The Church commemorates the small children of Bethlehem put to death by Herod. He was looking to eliminate the "newborn King of the Jews" by removing all children under the age of 2. Death of innocents still continues today as many die of disease, starvation, war, and abortion. Please pray for all children today.



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