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Feast of the Holy Family

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST

5:00 pm + Deborah Pontillo

MONDAY – JANUARY 1ST – THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

11:00 am – For living & deceased parishioners

TUESDAY – JANUARY 2ND – ST. BASIL THE GREAT & ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN

7:15 - Ordination of Bishop Douglas
Crosby, OMI,
+ Jennette Lukasik

WEDNESDAY- JANUARY 3RD

7:00 pm + Angela Antonello
+ Joseph Beattie
+ Matthew Chiarot
+ Nicolina & Orazio Maiuri
+ Salvatore Tiberi

THURSDAY – JANUARY 4TH

7:15 am - Intentions of Maureen

FRIDAY – JANUARY 5TH

7:15 am + Dina Palone
7:00 pm + Peter Della Nebbia

SATURDAY – JANUARY 6TH

9:00 am + Tom Wojcicki

SUNDAY LITURGY – THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

SATURDAY – JANUARY 6TH

5:00 pm + David Stevens

SUNDAY – JANUARY 7TH

9:00 am + Joseph Leon
11:00 am – For living & deceased parishioners

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – *The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy
Mother of God*

TUESDAY – Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.

WEDNESDAY – Diocesan Priests

THURSDAY – Rev. Jason Kuntz

FRIDAY – Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino

SATURDAY – Rev. David Perrin

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



HAITI TWINNING COMMITTEE UPDATE



On Sunday December 10th,
2023, our brothers and sisters
of our twinned St. Gabriel
parish celebrated in a special
way the blessing and
commissioning of their new
church building. Let us join in
prayerful celebration of the
blessings received in the Beau Sejour region for
another successful start of the school year for over 850
students and a rebirth of the St. Gabriel Church. The
parish Twinning Committee is planning to provide a
brief presentation after each of the Masses on the
weekend of January 6-7, 2024, followed by a reception
in the Hearth Room for fellowship, refreshments and
the viewing of many new photos of our young students,
teachers and the new St. Gabriel Church.

CHURCH DONATION ENVELOPES 2024

Donation envelopes for 2024 are available in the Hearth
Room for those who have actively used the donation
envelopes this year. A boxed set for 2024 has been
automatically re-issued to you again; however, some
envelope numbers have been changed. Please do not
use your old envelopes in the new year. If you have not
used church donation envelopes in 2023 but would like
to begin in 2024 please contact the parish office at 905-
388-2200.



This past weekend we welcomed into the family of God:

NOLAN ALESSI

Son of Joe & Jennifer

Alvin-Jay Wu Dela Cruz

Son of Alvin & Anita

Congratulations to the Parents, Godparents, Grandparents and Families



BLESSED CHALK

Each year on the Feast of the Epiphany the Church celebrates the blessing of chalk and homes which is a great Catholic tradition for families. Bless your door every year on this Feast! It's very simple to do: using the blessed chalk write **AD 20+C+M+B+24** on the 'lintel' of the door (the horizontal piece above the door). The letters have two meanings. First, they mean *Christus mansionem benedicat*. "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "24" at the end mark the year. Taken together, this inscription is written as a request for Christ to bless the homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the entire year. The C, M, and B also represent the initials of the Magi—Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar—who visited Jesus in His first home.

The chalking of the doors of a home encourages Christians to dedicate their life at home to God and to others. Seeing the symbols over our doors can help remind us, while passing in and out on our daily routines, that our homes and all those who dwell there belong to Christ. The following is a short prayer that can be said for the blessing:

God of heaven and earth, Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Saviour. Amen. May we be blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness, and abiding in your will. We ask this through Christ our Saviour. Amen.



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

A Time to Die . . .

Let us remember in our prayers:

FLORENCE "THERESA" PERRY

Who died December 13, 2023

GIOVANNA SARULLO

Who died December 18, 2023

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE!



SUNDAY COLLECTION – DECEMBER 10TH, 2023

Regular Sunday envelopes + Loose

Cash	\$6,880.80
Building Fund	125.00
St. M. M. Parish Outreach	605.00
Haiti Project - General	70.00
Haiti Project – Education	60.00
Needs of the Canadian Church	10.00
	<u>\$7,750.80</u>

THE SISTERS OF THE POOR OF JESUS CHRIST

The Sisters of the Poor of Jesus Christ will hold their **LUNCH BAG PROGRAM** on **THURSDAY, JANUARY 4TH, 2024**. Donations can be left in the Hearth Room and will be picked up by the Sisters on **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3RD at 12:00 NOON**. The Donation List is on the table in the Narthex outside the Adoration Chapel. The Sisters are hoping to fill 70 lunch bags. Thank you for your generosity.

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