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## LORD'S DAY MASSES

**Saturday:** 5:00 P.M.  
**Sunday:** 9:00 A.M.; 11:00 A.M.; 8:00 P.M.

## WEEKDAY MASSES

**Monday to Saturday:** 9:00 A.M. (Except Tuesdays)  
**Tuesday ONLY:** 7:00 P.M.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Friday** 9:30 - 10:00 A.M.  
**Saturday** 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. and 4:00-4:30 P.M.  
or by appointment

## OFFICE HOURS

**Monday:** 9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.  
**Tuesday - Friday:** 9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M., 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

## BAPTISMS

If you are seeking baptism for your child, please complete the [Request for Baptism](#) form found on our website and email to [aouellette@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:aouellette@hamiltondiocese.com) or drop off in person at the parish office.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

If you wish to become a member of the parish, we invite you to take time to register by completing a Parish Registration Form available on our parish website. The forms are also available at the parish office if you require a hard copy. If you are currently registered and now wish to use Offertory Envelopes please complete the registration form and return to the parish office or drop in the Offertory basket. If you wish to sign up for Pre-Authorized Debit please complete the form available on our website. These forms are also available at the parish office.

## MARRIAGES

Couples planning to be married must contact the priest ~~one~~ year in advance. You must be a registered parishioner, attending this parish.

## BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All bulletin announcements must be received by the parish secretary no later than Monday at noon to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday bulletin. All announcements and inserts are subject to the pastor's approval.

## PARISH SCHOOLS

Canadian Martyrs	3201 Lansdown Drive	905-336-5792	Michelle Kotulak, Principal
Sacred Heart of Jesus	2222 Country Club Road	905-331-4656	Pat Vigna, Principal
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# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 15, 2024

**Dec 16 – Dec 22, 2024**  
**WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE**

**DATE**                      **MASS INTENTIONS**  
**MONDAY**                      Dec 16, 2024  
**9:00am Mass**                      Int. of Andrade Family

**TUESDAY**                      Dec 17, 2024  
**7:00pm Mass**                      Intentions of the Unborn

**WEDNESDAY**                      Dec 18, 2024  
**9:00am Mass**                      Vidal-Carrillo Family

**THURSDAY**                      Dec 19, 2024  
**9:00am Mass**                      Mardi Keyes

**FRIDAY**                      Dec 20, 2024  
**9:00am Mass**                      Mardi Keyes  
**9:30am – 10:00am** *Confessions*  
**9:30am – 12:00pm** *Adoration*

**SATURDAY**                      Dec 21, 2024  
**9:00am Mass Intentions:**  
Joseph Alphonso                      Int. of Olga Alphonso  
Harold Coleman

**9:30am – 4:30pm** *All Day Confessions*

**5:00pm Mass Intentions:**  
Michael Plaskon                      Paul Felix Figueira  
Joao Chalupa                      Onesta & Francesco Notarangelo  
Aglio Mannarino                      Claudette & Val Petschar  
Rudy Korosec                      Harold Coleman  
Antonio Bolognone                      Int. of Fernando A. Lopes  
Jose Andrade Figueira                      Int. of Margaret Mesaros

**SUNDAY**                      Dec 22, 2024 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
**9:00am**                      Mass (*Livestream*)  
**11:00am**                      Mass  
**8:00pm**                      Mass

### **All Day Confessions**

This **Saturday, December 21**, we will have all day confessions from 9:30am to 4:30pm. The church will be open and there will be priests from St. Paul's and visiting priests throughout the day to hear confessions. You may find the resources on our parish website <https://www.stpaultheapostleburlington.com/reconciliationpenance> helpful in preparing for this sacrament. This is the last opportunity at St. Paul's for the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Christmas.

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK**

Monday: Numbers 24.2-7, 15-17a, Matthew 21.23-27  
Tuesday: Genesis 49.2, 8-10, Matthew 1.1-17  
Wednesday: Jeremiah 23.5-8, Mathew 1.18-24  
Thursday: Judges 13.2-7, 24-25a, Luke 1.5-25  
Friday: Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d, Luke 1.26-38  
Saturday: Zephaniah 3.14-18a, Luke 1.39-45  
Sunday: Micah 5.2-5a, Hebrews 10.5-10, Luke 1.39-45

### **HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR**

We pray for the following people or groups:  
Monday: Rev. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.  
Tuesday: Rev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.  
Wednesday: Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v.Dei.)  
Thursday: Rev. Ilija Petkovic  
Friday: Rev. Vinko Nenadic  
Saturday: Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.



December 1, 2024

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### **Incense to be Used at Christmas Day & Epiphany Masses**

Please note that incense will be used at the following masses: December 25, 11AM Mass (*Christmas Day*) and January 5, 11AM Mass (*Feast of the Epiphany*). There will be no incense in all other masses during this season. **DID YOU KNOW?** The incense we use at mass is actually frankincense, which, along with gold and myrrh, was one of the gifts offered to Jesus by the Three Wise Men. Therefore, it is often used during the Christmas season to commemorate the birth of Jesus.

### **40th Anniversary Photo Directory**

Exciting news! St Paul the Apostle Parish is approaching the milestone of our **40th Anniversary!** Your presence in our church congregation is a **significant** part of this celebration. We formally invite all parishioners and their families to participate in our parish photo directory to capture the vibrant, generous and blessed community we have here at St. Paul's. Take advantage of this **free of charge** opportunity to receive:

- **Free copy of photo directory**
- A place to connect **names with faces** of both new and seasoned parishioners
- **Feel connected** to the greater community of our large parish
- A chance to purchase a **professional copy** of your portrait(s) for very reasonable rates
- **Be a part** of our parish **HISTORY** as we celebrate 40 years!

**Photo sessions begin on January 28, 2025. Grab the best slots early!** For more information and to sign up for your photo session, please see the parish [40th Anniversary](#) webpage. You may also book your photo session directly, by using this QR code:



## Christmas and Advent Schedule

Our Prish Advent and Christmas Schedule is now posted on our website. Please visit our [website](#) or scan the code for detailed information on the Mass and confession schedule for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.



## End of Year Donations

Please ensure that all cash and cheque donations for the 2024 tax year are submitted to the parish office by December 29, 2024, to allow time to process and deposit these donations. E-transfers received in 2024 will be credited for the 2024 tax year.

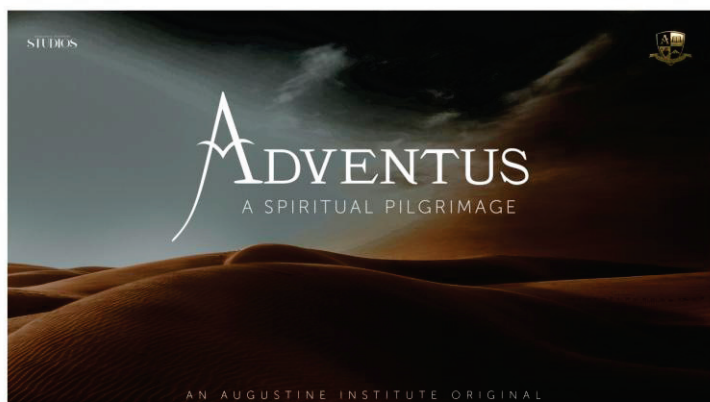
## Children's Liturgy Update

There will be no Children's Liturgy at the Sunday 9AM & 11AM Masses on the following dates: December 22nd, December 29th and January 5th. This ministry will resume in the new year starting January 12th. We are looking forward to welcoming the children back in the new year!

## Envelopes and Tax Receipts

The 2025 offertory envelopes are ready for pick up in the Narthex. Envelopes will be re-issued in 2025 for parishioners who have contributed a minimum of \$50 in the last year. The 2025 tax receipts will be issued for those who contributed \$50 or more in 2024 and can be issued for amounts less than \$50 by request. We sincerely thank all donors for their ongoing financial support of our parish.

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## **Adventus: A Spiritual Pilgrimage**

This Advent, make a spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Uncover the beauty of the place where Christ was born, preparing your heart for Christ's coming so you can enter more deeply into this season.

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## Consecration to the Holy Family

As a way to "Keep Christ in Christmas", the Knights of Columbus are promoting a period of greater devotion to the Holy Family. Whether we are children, parents or grandparents we can all learn from the actions of the Holy Family. Over the next weeks consider reflecting on your day's activities and whether your behaviour was like that of the Holy Family. A Consecration to the Holy Family will be held at the morning Mass on December 28<sup>th</sup>. More information will be available at the back of the church.

## Thank You from the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Thank you to our parishioners for your generous contributions to the 2024 Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Angel Tree program. Your support allowed us to help those less fortunate in our community celebrate Christmas, with food cards for groceries and gift cards to assist with holiday shopping. This year's program assisted 61 families living within our St. Paul The Apostle parish boundary, including 120 adults and 90 children. We also assisted 25 children currently in the care of Halton Children's Aid Society, Burlington Office.

A big thank you to St. Christopher, St. Anne and Ascension Elementary schools for their help with senior bags. Together we will deliver personalized gift bags to provide something special to 140 seniors-in-need in our community, living in long-term care settings. These generous gifts are important and so appreciated. In total, the support of our parish community allowed us to bring a little more Christmas to 260 adults and 114 children.

We want to take this opportunity to thank our parish Knights of Columbus Council #17397 and our parish Catholic Women's League for their support of our program over the course of this past year. When Christ came, He did find a warm heart - right in our community. The New Year will start with the memory of a Blessed Christmas still fresh. A sincere thank you and have a Blessed Merry Christmas.

## Jubilee of Hope, 2025

The Diocese of Hamilton joins the celebration of the Global Church in this Ordinary Jubilee Year, 2025, as "Pilgrims of Hope!" We are all invited to journey through this year drawing closer to God through prayer, service and experiences of renewal. Six churches have been designated as pilgrimage sites across the Diocese, welcoming you as a visitor over the course of the Jubilee to come and pray. Resources, information and locations of the pilgrimage sites are all made available on the Diocesan Website: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/jubilee/>

Pope Francis will open the Holy Door of the Basilica of St. Peter's in Rome on Christmas Eve, inaugurating the Jubilee Year. In Cathedrals around the world and in our Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, the Holy Year will be inaugurated on December 28-29, 2024, the Feast of the Holy Family. The year will be officially launched in each Parish in the Diocese on this same day. The Jubilee Year of Hope will conclude on January 6, 2026.

## Church Bulletin Advertising

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



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