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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

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Saint Elizabeth Seton	5070 Dryden Avenue	905-331-7246	Lisa MacLennan, Principal
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# SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 8, 2024

## Dec 9 – Dec 15, 2024 WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS
<b>MONDAY</b>	<u>Dec 9, 2024</u> – THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
9:00am Mass	Jennifer Moraes
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<u>Dec 10, 2024</u>
7:00pm Mass	Maurice Barnett
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<u>Dec 11, 2024</u>
9:00am Mass	Int. of Dorothy Pereira
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<u>Dec 12, 2024</u> – OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
9:00am Mass	Int. of the Stancombe Children
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<u>Dec 13, 2024</u> – ST. LUCY, VIRGIN, MARTYR
9:00am Mass	Gerda Meta Trott
9:30am – 10:00am	Confessions
9:30am – 12:00pm	Adoration
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<u>Dec 14, 2024</u> – ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS, PRIEST, DOCTOR
<b>9:00am Mass Intentions:</b>	
Anna Thuong Nguyen	Int. of Kathleen Donnelly
Norman & Lorraine Blower & Family	Int. of Regan Family,
Nadira Ahad	Grandchildren & Great-
Helen McHugh	Grandchildren
<b>9:30am – 10:00am</b>	Confessions
<b>4:00pm – 4:30pm</b>	Confessions
<b>5:00pm Mass Intentions:</b>	
Linda A. Zysko	Carmen Payne
Carl & Mildred White	Vivelinda Leonardo
Rudy Korosec	Veronica Pinto
Donna Randle	Dorine Andrea
Dianne Leask	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<u>Dec 15, 2024</u> – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
9:00am	Mass (Livestream)
11:00am	Mass
8:00pm	Mass

### Vocation View

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. E-mail [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
Visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

### SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Genesis 3.9-15, 20, Ephesians 1.3-6 11-12, Luke 1.26-38
Tuesday:	Isaiah 40.1-11, Matthew 18.12-14
Wednesday:	Isaiah 40.25-31, Matthew 11.28-30
Thursday:	Zechariah 2.10-13, Luke 1.39-47
Friday:	Isaiah 48.17-19, Matthew 11.16-19
Saturday:	Sirach 48.1-4, 9-11, Matthew 17.10-13
Sunday:	Zephaniah 3.14-18a, Philippians 4.4-7, Luke 3.10-18

### HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

We pray for the following people or groups:

Monday:	<b><i>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i></b>
Tuesday:	Rev. Lawrence Parent
Wednesday:	Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (C.Ss.R.)
Thursday:	National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples
Friday:	Rev. John Ha
Saturday:	Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.



**OFFERING**

November 24, 2024

**\$ 11,432.35**

### Bambinelli Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

For the past several decades, the Pope has blessed the Baby Jesus figurines from Nativity Scenes, that belong to families, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The blessing takes place on Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent, and is known as Bambinelli Sunday. The blessing of the 'Bambinelli' – as they are known in Rome – reminds us that the Nativity scene is a school of life where we can learn the secrets of true joy.



**All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass on Sunday, Dec 15<sup>th</sup>** and following the 9am and 11am Masses, you may gather in the front pews with your Baby Jesus figurine to be blessed as we celebrate Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing you are encouraged to take your 'Bambinelli' home, wrap it and save it for Christmas Day. Let this be the first gift you open, and as you lay Jesus in the Manger, allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessings we receive at Christmas.

### In Memoriam Donation for Christmas Flowers Tribute

Once again, we will be collecting offerings for our annual **Christmas Floral Tribute** in loving memory of deceased relatives or friends. The Floral Tribute form is available at the parish office. Offerings can be made in cash, cheque or via e-transfer. The names of loved ones, honoured through the Tribute, will be displayed on our parish website, and in the narthex over Christmas. Floral Tributes will be accepted until December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

### 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.



## 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!

## Jubilee 2025

Every 25 years, the Universal Church celebrates a Jubilee Year. The focus of the Jubilee years is a renewal of experiencing mercy from our Lord through pilgrimages, the opening of Holy Doors, Reconciliation, Prayers, Indulgences, and Liturgies. This coming year of 2025, the theme of the Jubilee is "Pilgrims of Hope." There will be events to celebrate the Jubilee at the International, Diocesan, and Parish level. Pope Francis will begin the Jubilee on December 24, 2024 by opening the Holy Doors at St. Peter's Basilica, and we will begin the Jubilee in our parish at the 11am Mass on the Feast of the Holy Family, Sunday December 29, 2024. More information on the Jubilee can be found at <https://www.iubilaum2025.va/en.html>

## Envelopes and Tax Receipts

The 2025 offertory envelopes are ready for pick up in Narthex. Envelopes will be re-issued in 2025 for parishioners who have contributed a minimum of \$50 in the last year. For parishioners who wish to contribute periodically, there are visitor envelopes at the Greeter's Desk and online options through our parish website. If you wish to begin contributing regularly using weekly envelopes, please contact the office. 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.



## **Christmas Special | Laugh and Grow Bible for Kids**

Hosted by the Hopeful World, this beautiful retelling of the story of Jesus' birth will help kids understand the true meaning of Christmas. Viewers both young and old will be filled with hope as they recall God's promise fulfilled through our Savior's arrival.

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Scan the QR code to download the FORMED app to your phone.



## 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 26, 2024**. This allows time to process and deposit these donations. Any cash or cheque donations received after December 26th, 2024, will be credited to the 2025 tax year. E-transfers must be **received** by December 31, 2024, to be credited for the 2024 tax year.

## E-Transfer Donation Update

The new St. Paul the Apostle email address for **e-transfers** is [stpaulburlington@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stpaulburlington@hamiltondiocese.com). Please include your full name and contact information so that we can provide a tax receipt.

## Knights of Columbus – Fraternal Benefit Event

Learn how the Knights of Columbus helps protect Catholic families, proclaims the faith, and helps those most in need in local communities and across the world. With the Knights you **can address your family's insurance needs while supporting an organization that contributes to charities that align with our shared Catholic faith**. Everyone is invited to join us for a Fraternal Benefit Event on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 7PM, at St Paul the Apostle Parish Hall. Please reach out to Bob Flake at [bob.flake2@gmail.com](mailto:bob.flake2@gmail.com) or (905) 467-7015 if you have any questions.

## Catholic Women's League

Our next general meeting will be held on Monday, December 9th at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall and will include a Christmas Potluck. All ladies of the parish are welcome. Bring a friend!

## Christmas with The Chosen December 12, 2024 (7:00-8:00pm)

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites you to a live virtual viewing party of "The Shepherd", a special Christmas episode of "The Chosen," reflecting on the birth of Christ through the eyes of a young shepherd. This one hour gathering will include prayer, free streaming of the 20-minute episode, and well wishes for the Advent Season. Gather your friends and family, make the popcorn, and join us for this wonderful opportunity to prepare for the coming of our Savior! Registration is free and can be made here: <https://bit.ly/ChristmaswiththeChosen2024>

## Marriage Tip of the Month

December can be a stressful month with all the preparation and planning that goes on before Christmas. This stress can cause us to lash out in ways we often would not, especially towards our spouses. This year make a conscious decision to break the cycle. Get out your calendars and plan some quiet couple time: a shared coffee, a walk in your neighborhood, watching a shared movie, or a dinner out. At least once a week make the gift of the season time with each other because its impact will last much longer than any other material gift you might give. (From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

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