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*Father, You revealed Your Son to the nations
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to
Your Glory in Heaven by the Light of Faith.*

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

JAN 5, 2025

Jan 6 – Jan 12, 2025

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS
MONDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>Jan 6, 2025</u> Stephan Jang
TUESDAY 7:00pm Mass	<u>Jan 7, 2025 – ST. ANDRE BESSETTE</u> Int. of Lisa & Troy Allen
WEDNESDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>Jan 8, 2025</u> Int. of St. Paul's Rosary Group
THURSDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>Jan 9, 2025</u> Jennifer Moraes
FRIDAY 9:00am Mass 9:30am – 10:00am Confessions 9:30am – 12:00pm Adoration	<u>Jan 10, 2025</u> Bruce Mackie
SATURDAY 9:00am Mass Intentions:	<u>Jan 11, 2025</u>
Roberto & Clarita Castro	Lorena DeSouza
Teresa Francis	Catherine Bhopa
Lloyd King	Maria Dinh Thi Nen
9:40am – 10:00am Confessions	
4:00pm – 4:30pm Confessions	
5:00pm Mass Intentions:	
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Zei, Jr.	Helen McHugh
Veronica Pinto	Int. of Kathleen Donnelly
John Bellini	Int. of Alan & Barbara Merritt
SUNDAY 9:00am 11:00am 8:00pm	<u>Jan 12, 2025 – THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD</u> Mass (<i>Livestream</i>) Mass Mass

Vocation View

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's name? 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.

E-mail vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	1 John 3.22 -4.6, Matthew 4.12-17, 23-25
Tuesday:	1 John 4.7-10, Mark 6.34-44
Wednesday:	1 John 4.11-18, Mark 6.45-52
Thursday:	1 John 4.19 -5.4, Luke 4.14-22a
Friday:	1 John 5.5-13, Luke 5.12-16
Saturday:	1 John 5.14-21, John 3.22-30
Sunday:	Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7, Acts 10.34-38, Luke 3.15-16, 21-22

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

We pray for the following people or groups:

Monday:	Rev. Joseph Ahilan, C.R.S.P.
Tuesday:	Rev. Benedict T. Insigne, C.R.S.P.
Wednesday:	Diocesan Priests
Thursday:	Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.
Friday:	Rev. David Avila
Saturday:	Married Couples

Envelopes and Tax Receipts

The 2025 offertory envelopes are ready for pick up in the Narthex. Envelopes were re-issued in 2025 for parishioners who have contributed a minimum of \$50 in the last year. Please write your **name and address**, on the front of your envelopes, when making your contribution. 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.

40th Anniversary Photo Directory

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 the 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:



Children's Liturgy Update

Children's Liturgy will resume **January 12th**. We are looking forward to welcoming the children back in the new year!

Bible Sunday

The 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time marks the celebration of Bible Sunday. Bible Sunday is a special opportunity to reflect on the importance of Scripture in our lives and to receive a blessing of the Bible. Whether it's a treasured family heirloom or a new Bible, a blessing on this day is a beautiful way to celebrate God's Word.

The blessing of Bibles will take place after the closing hymn at the **5pm Mass on January 25th**, and at the **9am and 11am Masses on January 26th**. If you need a bible, we suggest you reach out to Blais Church & Religious Supplies, <https://www.catholicshop.ca/>, as they have an excellent selection to choose from.

Recognition of Lectors

On the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (January 26, 2024), the scripture readings at Mass focus on the Word of God. In 2019, Pope Francis instituted 'The Sunday of the Word of God' to be held every year on the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time. The Pope intended it to be a day dedicated to the celebration, reflection and dissemination of the Word.

This is a wonderful opportunity to have the recognition and presentation of the mandates for the lectors of our parish. At each Mass on the weekend of January 25-26, the lectors who are present will renew their commitment to proclaiming the word of God, and those who completed their training in the last year will receive the Bishop's mandate to carry out this ministry for a 3 year term. We thank all the Lectors for their ongoing commitment to our parish and this ministry.

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Ms. Kim explains the Solemnity of the Epiphany and the importance of the wise men's gifts by teaching students how to draw the three magi. She challenges kids to do an act of kindness for someone, offering it as a gift to Jesus.

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Catholic Women's League

Happy New Year from the ladies of the Catholic Women's League (CWL)! We are pleased to welcome Roxanne Gregory and JoAnn Toomath as our Chapter's newest co-Presidents effective January 1st, 2025. A huge THANK YOU to our out-going President Karen Bradley, for her countless hours of service and leadership over the 2023/24 term. We welcome her continued presence as she transitions to the supportive role of Past President on the Executive Council. Did you know that the CWL was established in Canada in 1917 with its first formal Chapters forming in 1920? As the country's largest Catholic Women's voice to parliament, our League's mission is built on 3 pillars: Faith, Service, and Social Justice. We invite parishioner input on where you feel the CWL's efforts are most needed within our church community and the Burlington area. Please email these suggestions to stpaulCWL@gmail.com. Our first general meeting of the New Year will be **on Monday January 13th, beginning at 6:30pm**. Directly following the meeting, we are pleased to sponsor a short presentation on the Extended Scope of Practice for Pharmacists. Please mark your calendars and join us!



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The Reel Justice Film Festival

is excited to release our dates for the 2025 season. Our films this year focus on hope and the personal stories that give voice to those that often go unheard. Themes include women's empowerment, refugees, youth, Indigenous justice, and environmental care. We start the season on **January 23, 2025**, with **She Rises Up**, a revealing look at the power of women's economic participation. The film follows radically different women from Sri Lanka, Peru, and Senegal who are fighting to build businesses, create job opportunities for women, and contribute to the reduction of poverty in their communities. Film Director, Maureen Castle Tusty and Executive Producer James Tusty will join us as guest speakers. In 2008, they founded Sky Films Inc. to produce documentary films that inform, uplift, and inspire. The Reel Justice Film Festival is a partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace. Film screenings are shown online, once a month from January to May. You can view our full film lineup at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/> We hope you can join us!

The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

Save the Date! Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? Then you are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available online in January on the Diocesan Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Church Bulletin Advertising

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