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OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Friday 9:00am -12:00noon

WEEKDAY MASS:

**Tuesday, 7:00pm
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
9:00am**

SUNDAY MASS:

**Saturday, 5:00pm
Sunday, 9:00am, 11:00am**

RECONCILIATION:

**Tuesday, 6:15pm -6:45pm
Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm
(or by appointment)**

BAPTISMS: Please contact the office at least 3 months prior to desired date.

Becoming Catholic-RCIA: For those not Baptized, or who have not yet completed their initiation, please call the office or speak to one of the priests.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca 905-522-7727

FUNERALS: When a family death occurs, please contact the office for assistance with arrangements.

MARRIAGE: Couples intending to marry, kindly contact the office about a year in advance.
Wedding Anniversary Blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Do you know someone in need? Please contact 905-512-5475 or visit our website at <https://www.ssvphamiltonpc.org/scos>

VOCATIONS: Diocese of Hamilton www.hamiltonvocations.com

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH:

Corpus Christi: 905-389-3940

St. John Paul II: 905-525-1300

St. Marguerite d'Youville: 905-387-4600

St. Teresa of Calcutta: 905-318-7933

St. Jean De Brebeuf Secondary: 905-388-7020

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Our Financial Stewardship:

The foundation of all stewardship is a generous heart.

November 9/10 \$ 13,820.85

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

Mon	Rev. Archange Kebe
Tues	Rev. Fernand Pierre
Wed	Deceased Consecrated Brothers and Sisters
Thurs	Catholic Young Adults
Fri	Rev. Godwin Pinto, O.C.D.
Sat	Rev. John Schnurr

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Tues Nov 19	7:00pm	Maria Del Sordo Bernarda Miranda Felicisimo & Josefina Tamayo Mariano & Leonarda Alvarez Alexander Sr. & Wilhilmina Alaba Hilda Troncoso Special Intentions of Dianne Dunn
Wed Nov 20	9:00am	Teresa Bowen
Thurs Nov 21	9:00am	Gino Paron
Fri Nov 22	9:00am	Arthur Cruz
Sat Nov 23	5:00pm	John Melo Antonio & Carmela Centritto & deceased family members Francesco & Giuseppina Gallo & deceased family members Lina Febbraro Adelaida & Fidel Cabanas Manuel Verissimo Gabby Da Silva

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 17, 2024

- If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen. Give God your total self for, when the end of times comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever. Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. If you feel God may be calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon in His Church, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988**. email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

CONFIRMATION CELEBRATIONS:

Sun. Nov. 24, 2024, 2pm - Corpus Christi
Fri. Nov. 29, 2024, 7pm - St. Marguerite D'Youville
Sat. Nov. 30, 2024, 11 am - St. John Paul II
Sat. Nov. 30, 2024, 2pm - St. Teresa

MASS INTENTIONS:

Due to the large number of requests for Mass Intentions at weekday and weekend Masses, we are required to put in some policies in place to be fair to all of our Parishioners. Starting January 2025 we will accept Intentions for the deceased and living with following restrictions:

- One weekend following the death or funeral. Approximately 30 or 40 days afterwards, if desired.
- Then maximum of one a year for the anniversary of the death, funeral or other significant date.
- Maximum of two Intentions per family per deceased or living (All others will be sent to the Missions to be said)

This will keep us from exceeding the number of intentions outlined by the Diocese of Hamilton. This will remain first come first served.

Thanks for understanding .

MONTHLY PRAYER REFLECTION

MORNING – December 6, 2024

Beginning with mass 9am followed with social, opening prayer, meditation, reflection and closing prayer.

Contact Sister Elaine to register:

sisterelainess@gmail.com or 289-237-2245.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church office will be closed on **Wednesday, November 20th** as the office staff will be attending a workshop at the Chancery Office for the day. Church activities / events will not be affected and resume as scheduled.

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY

St Elizabeth of Hungary congregation (which is part of our Parish) at Rymal and Garth is looking for someone to provide music services on alternate Sundays for their 9:30 AM Mass. If you know of anyone who can help, please contact Andrew Osyany at 289 253-9411.

Thank you.



COFFEE WEEKEND - Please join us for Coffee & Timbits this Saturday, November 16th after 5pm mass and Sunday, November 17th after the 9am & 11am Mass. Hope you all can join us!

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Christmas - A Time of Giving

They Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be providing Christmas assistance to those in need within our parish boundary. The Christmas tree will be in the narthex from November 12 to December 8. We kindly ask your support by taking a tag from the tree, purchase a gift card, clearly indicate the amount on the outside and place it in the designated box beside the tree, by Dec. 8.

Examples: purchase a \$10, \$15, \$20, \$25, \$50 card. You are welcome to take more than one card. We are also supporting students in our four schools and high school. Suggested stores include Toys “R” Us, Walmart, Giant Tiger, Old Navy. **Please do not purchase any gifts or toys, only gift cards.** Families will also receive food vouchers from donations previously received.

The ongoing generosity of our parishioners is greatly appreciated.

Youth Group – St. Vincent de Paul

If you are looking to give back to your community, we welcome students from grade 7 to grade 12 to join our newly formed youth group. For further information, please call Barb at [905 515-7059](tel:905-515-7059)

BLESSING OF THE PETS

Did you bring your pets to the Blessing of the Pets last October 4? Head to our website www.catherineofsienachurch.ca to watch the heartwarming video and see Fr. Mark blessing all our furry and feathered friends—including yours!

Missals are for sale at the by the reception desk for \$5.00 each. Please place in Offertory basket provided

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Christmas Cards will be available to purchase for \$10.00 after mass.

FAITH FORMATION EVENING: Our next session is Thursday, November 21 at 7pm. We are hosting a Movie Night. The movie we will watch together is *The Way*. A film that deals with grief, pilgrimage (Santiago di Compostela) and human relations in the journey through life. Everyone is welcome to come out to watch this together in our parish hall. For a preview you can watch a trailer on YouTube. The movie is about 2 hours long.

ECHOES OF HOPE: A RETREAT FOR ALL CATECHISTS

is being offered at Mount Mary Retreat Centre on Saturday, November 23, 2024. Offered by the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis, the day of preparation for the *Jubilee of Hope* will feature prayer, conversation and thanksgiving for the gift of ministry. The day also includes group and personal reflection, and a catechist resource fair. Register: hamiltondiocese.com [Echoes of Hope: A Retreat Day for Catechists](#)

BLESSED IS SHE! ADVENT RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Experience how God calls you personally during this Advent season, to become his sacred presence to others; and how your Advent this year can re-create the Song of the Magnificent in your own heart.

WHEN: Tuesday, 3rd of December 7:30 PM

WHERE: St. Andre Bessette Room

Retreat Leader: Simone Robinson

Suggested Donation: \$10.00

Please register for the retreat at

s.k.robinson@icloud.com

HARLEQUIN SINGERS – CHRISTMAS

CONCERT – Tickets on sale now

The Harlequin Singers of Hamilton have been booked to perform at St. Catherine of Siena Parish on Sunday, **December 8th, 3:00 PM**. This concert promises to be filled with a wide variety of heartwarming Christmas music providing “food for the soul” and enjoyment for all age groups. ***Tickets will be available for purchase after Mass this weekend and at the Office.*** (Children 12 & under: Free; Seniors & Students: \$15; Adults: \$20) For additional details re this event, please feel free to contact David Quinton @ 905-388-6595

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