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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.

<u>Becoming Catholic-RCIA:</u> 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.

<u>MARRIAGE:</u> Couples intending to marry, kindly contact the office about a year in advance.

Wedding Anniversary Blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

<u>ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:</u> 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:
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## Mass Intentions for the $W_{\text{FFK}}$



Tues Nov 26	7:00pm	Rita Calcagni
		Sheila & Sharon Stacey
		Cecelia Janca
		Pat DeLuca Family
		Gaetana Nardone Family
		Special Intentions & Mass of
		Thanksgiving – Richard &
		Monica Bermeo and Family
Wed Nov 27	9:00am	Jack Foley
		Tommy Corso
Thurs Nov 28	9:00am	Giovanni Tullo
Fri Nov 29	9:00am	Donato & Nicolina
		Menechella
Sat Nov 30	5:00pm	Antonio Cherubini
		Primo Salvucci
		Nancy Trevisan
		Beatriz & Jose Andrade
		Alice Dalton Julian
		Aristotle Ong
		Decease members of the
		Amaral family
		Lidia D'Ambrosi
		Lidia D Alliotosi

#### 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: sisterelainesss@gmail.com or 289-237-2245.

#### 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.

#### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

Mon	Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz	
Tues	Rev. Joseph Gregory Michel	
Wed	Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ (p.j.c.)	
Thurs	Rev. Wilson Andrade, C.S.C.	
Fri	Rev. Emmanuel Ralte, C.S.C.	
Sat	Very Rev. David Walter	

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - November 24, 2024 - Today we hail Christ as our King. He is the Victor over the power of death Who loves us and freed us from our sins by His own blood, and Who by Baptism has made us a royal nation of priests in the service of His Father and our God. He Who is King continues to choose men and women to serve as priests, sisters, brothers or deacons, so that the faithful may know Him, love Him and serve Him as well. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, then call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

**BACH ELGAR CHOIR.** On Friday, December 13 at 7:30PM and Sunday, December 15 at 3PM, HPO Music Director James Kahane leads the orchestra in an annual holiday tradition of Handel's Messiah copresented by Bach Elgar Choir. This year's concert will take place on the mountain for the first time ever at St. Catherine of Siena Roman Catholic Church, located on 620 Rymel Rd E. From the soft beauty of the opening notes to the resounding joy of the Hallelujah Chorus, this performance promises to uplift and delight audiences during the festive season! "The HPO is proud to continue our partnership with the Bach Elgar Choir," says Executive Director, Kim Varian. The HPO and the Bach Elgar Choir have been long term partners over decades and presenting Handel's Messiah together has become is an extra special tradition to share with the Hamilton community." We look forward to celebrating this music with our Greater Hamilton community, as Handel's Messiah is simply one of the most popular works in the history of music. Purchase your tickets today at HPO.org.

#### Handel's Messiah

Friday, December 13 - 7:30PM Sunday, December 15 - 7:30PM

#### 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.



Join us at our annual St.
Catherine of Siena Winter Wonderland Dinner and

*Dance*. This is the major social event of our parish year. Last year close to 500 attended. The evening will include a three course dinner with wine, entertainment, door prizes, silent auction, children's activities, and of course lots of dancing! Saturday January 25<sup>th</sup> at Michelangelo's Banquet Hall. Doors open 6pm, dinner at 7pm. Tickets are \$75, \$25 for children under 12.

Tickets are available at the parish office now and will also be on sale after Masses beginning the weekend of November 30, December 1. Come with family, friends, neighbours. It might make a nice Christmas gift!

THE ABRUZZESE FEDERATION invites you to our annual Christmas concert to be held on December 12th; 7:00pm at St. Catherine of Siena Parish. Free admission with donations of non-perishable food items for the Good Shepherd gratefully accepted.

## 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

#### <u>HARLEQUIN SINGERS – CHRISTMAS</u> <u>CONCERT – Tickets on sale now</u>

The Harlequin Singers of Hamilton have been booked to perform at St. Catherine of Siena Parish on Sunday, **December 8**<sup>th</sup>, **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

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are happy to invite all children from St. Catherine of Siena Parish to join in a "Christmas Sing Along with St.

**Nicholas"** on Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> after the 11 am Mass in our Church Hall.

Children will be treated with drinks, crafts and lots of laughter.

Join us, and don't forget to bring your cameras for a Photo op with St. Nicholas!



<u>Christmas Cards</u> will also be available to purchase for \$10.00.

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