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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](http://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](http://www.hamiltonvocations.com)

**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH:**

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# THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

### Our Financial Stewardship:

*The foundation of all stewardship is a generous heart.*

October 26/27, 2024 \$ 10,772.61

### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

<b>Mon</b>	Rev. Francis Hubilla
<b>Tues</b>	Rev. Francisco Sordo
<b>Wed</b>	Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton
<b>Thurs</b>	Rev. Leszek Szczygiel
<b>Fri</b>	Rev. Mark Sullivan
<b>Sat</b>	<i>Dedication of Lateran Basilica</i>

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



<b>Tues Nov 5</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	Germano & Elda Crinella Nicola & Domenica DiPietro Agostino & Cecilia Crinella Primo Salvucci Armando Tollis Emmett & Isobel Kelly Special Intentions of S.J.
<b>Wed Nov 6</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Ezio Lacchin
<b>Thurs Nov 7</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Lucy Gabriele
<b>Fri Nov 8</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Carmen Micallef
<b>Sat Nov 9</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>	Deceased members of the Leone & Trombetta families Tony Ferrer David Clark Melville & Florrie DeSilva Deceased members of the Presta & Bozzo families Deceased members of the Arca & Cabanas families

### Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 3, 2024

"To love Him with all the heart and with all the understanding, and with all the strength" and "to love one's neighbour as oneself" are the greatest commandments. If you feel that God is calling you to serve Him as a priest, religious or deacon, call **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988**. email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### 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.

### 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 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

### 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 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.

## Heritage Bible Week:

St. Catherine of Siena Parish is happy to welcome the Heritage Edition of The Saint John's Bible, November 4<sup>th</sup> to November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024. The Diocese of Hamilton is home to a Heritage Edition of The Saint John's Bible, a fine art reproduction of a hand-written and hand-illuminated bible, created between 2000 and 2011. Select volumes of The Saint John's Bible will be visiting St. Catherine of Siena in a series of special events. Staff from the Bishop Farrell Library and Archives at the Diocese of Hamilton will be on hand at all events to answer your questions and share their love for this special Bible. More information about The Saint John's Bible is available at [hamiltondiocese.com/stjohnsbible](http://hamiltondiocese.com/stjohnsbible) and [saintjohnsbible.org](http://saintjohnsbible.org)

**Monday, November 4** at 7 pm, hall: An Introduction to The Saint John's Bible

- In this one hour introduction learn about the making and the makers of The Saint John's Bible and the Heritage Edition. View volumes of the Heritage Edition and speak to a local calligrapher.

**Tuesday, November 5**, following 7 pm Mass, hall: Open Viewing

- View volumes of The Saint John's Bible Heritage Edition up close and speak to knowledgeable staff from The Bishop Farrell Library and Archives during an Open Viewing. Speak to a local calligrapher about her craft.

**Wednesday, November 6**, 7:15 pm, hall: Seeing the Word

- The Catholic Women's League will be hosting a Seeing The Word with The Saint John's Bible for members

**Thursday, November 7**, 7 pm, hall: Seeing the Word

- All parishioners are welcome to a seeing the Word session with The Saint John's Bible. Seeing the Word is a guided prayer and meditation experience using scripture and illuminations from The Saint John's Bible. Explore the illumination Life in Community in depth and share your experience will fellow parishioners. Space is limited, sign up at the parish office or on-line [stcatherinehamiltondiocese.com](http://stcatherinehamiltondiocese.com)

**Saturday, November 9**, 3 pm, hall: Tools of the Trade Calligraphy Presentation

- Visit the Heritage Edition of The Saint John's Bible and view a calligraphy demonstration by local calligraphers. Short presentation followed by hands-on demonstrations
- Saturday, November 9, 4:30 pm, hall: Open Viewing
- Open viewing with The Saint John's Bible, before and after Saturday Mass

**Sunday, November 10**, 8:30 am: Open Viewing

- Open viewing with The Saint John's Bible, before and after 9 am and 11 am Mass

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## **CATHOLIC WOMAN'S LEAGUE**

*CWL General Meeting Nov. 6th at 7 PM* – Join us as we learn about the Saint John's Bible, a modern day illuminated bible intended “to ignite the spiritual imagination of believers throughout the world”. It is a hand-written and hand-illuminated Bible encompassing seven volumes of the Bible. St. John's Abbey and University commissioned British calligrapher Donald Jackson to oversee the creation of The Saint John's Bible, the first of its scale commissioned by a religious order in 500 years. The Heritage Edition, which we will have at our meeting, reproduces all of the illuminations and text of the original created piece, highlighted using real gold. All women of the parish are encouraged and welcome to join the CWL at this guided prayer session with the seeing the Word program and to share some social time with the other women present. Don't miss this chance to learn more about and view this beautiful and holy work of art and history.

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