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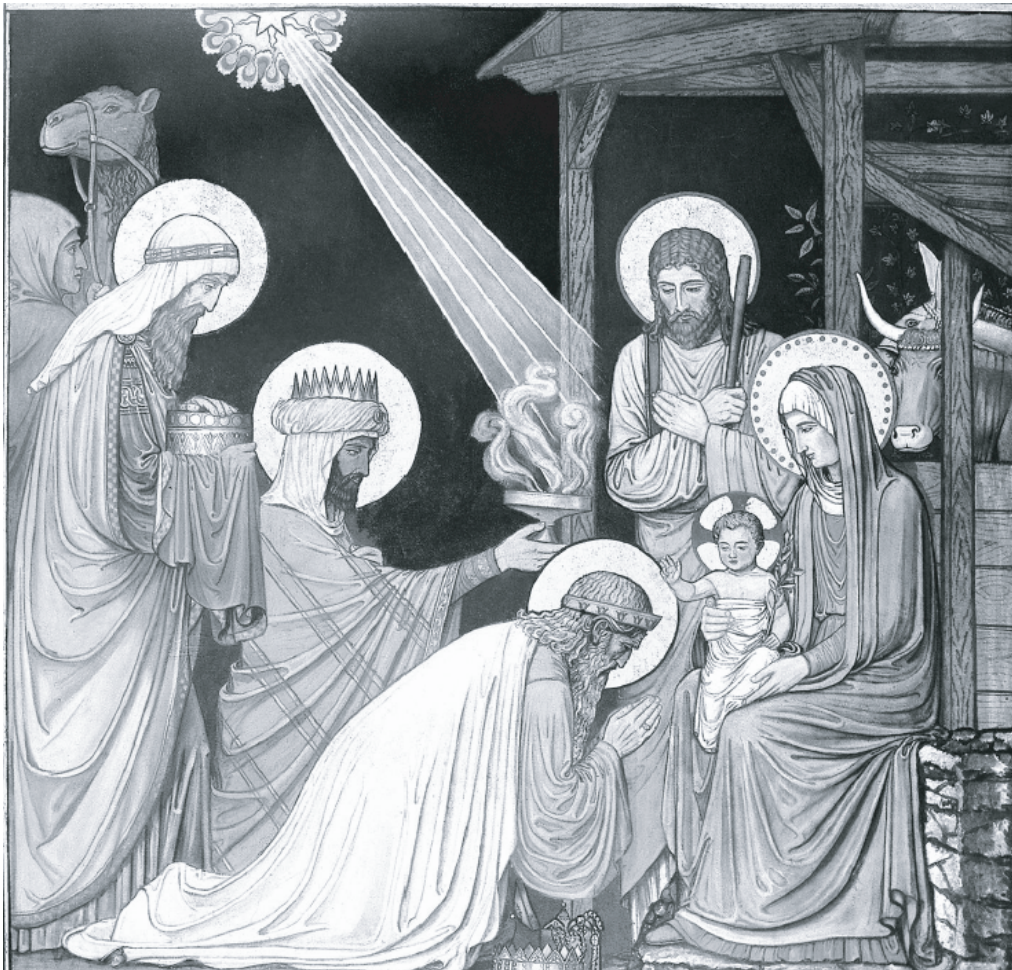
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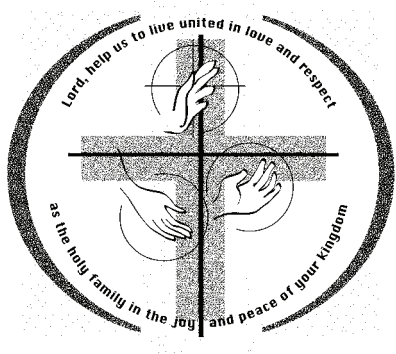


*Feast of the Holy Family*

# Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

December 29, 2024

Give thanks to the Lord,  
call on His Name!



## REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.

The Epiphany of the Lord is:

**Matthew 2.1-12**

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope the Lord's Day worship spiritually enriches you.

## OUR GIFTS TO GOD December 15<sup>th</sup> Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Sunday Loose	Pre-Authorized Debit	Church Maintenance
\$ 5,705	\$ 447	\$ 1,632	\$ 255

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish.

## DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Dec. 30	Very Rev. Msgr. Cornelius O'Mahony
Tues. Dec. 31	Rev. Felix Nwatu
Wed. Jan. 1	<b>Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God</b>
Thurs. Jan. 2	Most. Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.
Fri. Jan. 3	Rev. Piotr Machnacki, S.A.C.
Sat. Jan. 4	Very Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.

## HOLIDAY PARISH OFFICE HOURS

### Parish Office Closed

Monday, December 30, 2024 to Thursday, January 2, 2025 inclusive

### Parish Office Open

Friday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 p.m.

**Regular Office Hours Resume** Tuesday, January 7, 2025

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope the Lord's Day worship spiritually enriches you.



## Mass Intentions

(8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

Join us in praying for the Rosary for Vocations before Mass.

**The rosary starts at 7:30 a.m.**



## Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (New Year's)

Tuesday, December 31: 5:00 P.M.  
Wednesday, January 1: 10:00 A.M.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION IN CANADA THAT BINDS ALL THE FAITHFUL TO ATTEND MASS ON THIS SOLEMNITY**

Thurs., Jan. 2	†Cesare Silvestre
Fri., Jan. 3	Intentions of Scott Duffield
Sat. Jan. 4 5:00 p.m.	†Bob Weber †Roy White †Agnes Leger Intentions of Gail and Melvin Saldanha

## CHURCH DONATIONS FOR 2024

Don't forget: in order to receive a charitable tax receipt for 2024, donations must have been received before Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>. Receipts will be available late January or early February.

## NEW YEAR'S PRAYER

God, thank you for a new year.

May everyone in our family be willing to begin anew with a clean slate.

We know that you are always ready to forgive us.

Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest values and our deepest desires.

Help us to live in the goodness that comes from doing what you want us to do.

Help us to put aside anxiety about the future and the past, so that we might live in peace with you now, one day at a time.

**Amen.**

## PICKING UP 2025 CHURCH ENVELOPES

Church envelopes for 2025 are still available for a while longer in the Parish Centre, arranged in alphabetical order. Free 2025 Church Calendars, sponsored again this year by Smith's Funeral Homes, are now available.

If you do not have regular Sunday envelopes, please consider registering for these, especially with the new year 2025 coming soon. It does not matter how much you

contribute to the parish, but it is important to contribute something each week as a sign of support and gratitude to God for our blessings. Remember the gospel of the widow's mite! Be aware that the parish issues Official Receipts for Income Tax purposes, which helps to reduce your taxable income. To arrange for Sunday envelopes, please get in touch with Divine Dimaranan at the rectory office, and a set will be prepared for you.

### **PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT (PAD)**

This way of giving for your regular weekly Sunday contributions is available for your convenience, call Divine at the church office at 905-634-7441 to sign up.

If you already use pre-authorized giving and still wish to use envelopes to place in the collection basket or for any Special Collections, please don't hesitate to give us a call or email [hrosary@cogeco.net](mailto:hrosary@cogeco.net) and request envelopes. A set will be provided for you. Write PAD on the front of the envelope and place it in the collection basket at the mass you attend.

### **VOCATION AWARENESS**

#### **Feast of the Holy Family - December 29, 2024**

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained, or consecrated person. 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.

Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### **PARISH LECTOR'S WORKSHOP FOR NEW AND CURRENT LECTORS**

There will be a parish workshop for all current Lector's and those who wish to serve as Lectors at Sunday Masses and other Liturgies. The workshop will be held on Saturday, January 11, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Centre. It is important that all Lector's attend this one hour workshop.

### **ADULT FUNERAL SERVERS TRAINING**

All existing funeral servers and those who wish to serve at funerals are invited to a parish training session on Saturday, January 25, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Church.

### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE SICK TRAINING**

This training session is for those who were NOT at the Fall workshop for Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of Communion to the Sick. It is for anyone who brings communion to the sick from any of the masses here. There are some very important changes coming for the way in which pyxes are prepared and distributed, so it is vital that anyone who currently brings communion attend this training. This training will Take place on Saturday, January 18, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Parish Centre.



### **CHAIR YOGA**

We're thrilled to announce that **Chair Yoga** is returning on Thursday, January 9th, 2025 @ 11:00am – 12:00nn. 10 weeks @ \$50.00. Register before class by 10:30am. Drop ins are welcome for \$ 6.00/class.

### **CRAFT GROUP**

Resumes Thursday, January 9th, 2025 from 1:00-4:00pm. New members are welcome!

### **TORONTO ALL-STAR BIG BAND CONCERT BENEFITING CARPENTER HOSPICE, BURLINGTON FOOD BANK, KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CHARITABLE WORKS**

Sunday, January 26, 2025 2:00 TO 4:30 PM at the Burlington Performing Arts Centre



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### **CHRISTMAS YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT**

During the Christmas Season, Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on **Saturday, January 4th** at Annunciation of Our Lord (280 Limeridge Road West, Hamilton, ON).

Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

### **A HEARTFELT THANK YOU!**

On behalf of myself and our staff, I wish to express joyful thanks for your generosity over the Christmas season. Thanks to all those who sent us gifts of various kinds (which we will be enjoying for some time to come!) I am humbled by the goodness and generosity of many of our parishioners! May God bless you and your families in the coming year.

### *Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Mother of God and World Day of Prayer for Peace*

This coming week we will celebrate The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Masses are on Tuesday, December 31 at 5:00 p.m. and Wednesday, January 1 at 10:00 a.m. Attendance at either of these Masses fulfills the obligation. However, we need to appreciate this Solemnity beyond the obligation. Mary, our Blessed Mother is the surest intercessor before her Son for world peace. Our world appears to be closer to annihilation these days than it has been in a long time, due to a proliferation of the real threat of nuclear war. Mary, Mother of God and Queen of Peace, pray for us!

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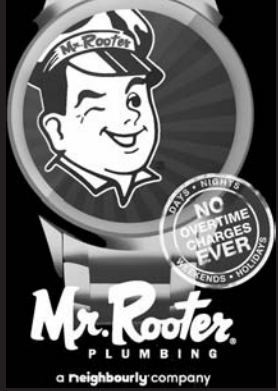
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