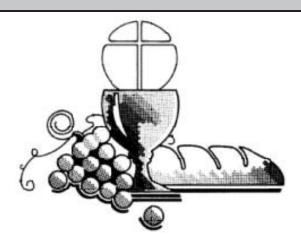
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PASTORAL TEAM

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For further information see the volunteer commitment forms in the main foyer of the church

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Our auxiliary provides catering for all occasions at reasonable prices.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome new parishioners! Registration forms are available at the entrance of the church and at the parish office.

ARRANGING A WEDDING

A minimum of 6 months preparation, which includes a Marriage Preparation course is required for all couples wishing to be married in Hamilton Diocese.

PRAYER LINE

Sylvia Miller 519-449-3668 or Linda Bennett 519-449-2986.

St. Vincent de Paul: 519-865-1562 (Please Leave a Message)

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Burford Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Burford 11:30 a.m. Scotland **WEEKDAY MASSES** Burford: Tues. 7:00 p.m.

Burford: Wed. to Fri. - 8:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:15 to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Application forms are available at the entrance of the church. Please fill in and place in collection basket or drop off at office. Once received Fr. Peter will contact you.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Anointing of the sick in home or hospital can be arranged by calling the parish office. Whenever possible, please call before any situation becomes critical.

HOLY ORDERS/RELIGIOUS VOCATION

Individuals wishing to explore a vocation to the priesthood, permanent diaconate or the religious life are encouraged to speak to the Pastor or see the vocations website at www.vocationinfo.ca

CATHOLIC FUNERALS

It is customary to celebrate the funeral of a Catholic with a Funeral Liturgy in the parish church. Please call the Funeral Home or the Parish at time of need. The time of funeral must be confirmed by the Pastor.

SICK & HOMEBOUND

If you know someone who is homebound and would like to receive communion please contact the parish office.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD. Sun.9:30 a.m.

For the young children of the parish. The children's liturgy is an opportunity for children to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word at a level they can understand.

WORSHIP IN OUR PARISH

Liturgical Calendar

Monday, Decmber 13 No Mass

Tuesday, December 14 7:00 pm Mass St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church †Steven Tota offered by Irene Tota Wednesday, December 15 8:30 am Mass †Joe Almeida offered by Horacio Silva

> Thursday, December 16 8:30 am Mass †Vasco Almeida offered by Horacio Silva

Friday, December 17 First Friday 8:30 am Mass †Manuel Melchor and Eugenio Mejia offered by Efren Martinez



Saturday, December 18 5:00 pm Mass †Beatrice Silva offered by Horacio Silva

Sunday, December 19 Fourth Sunday of Advent 9:30 am Mass All Our Parishioners

Sanctuary Lamp For All Our Deceased Parishioners

We Are Stewards

On-Line Giving/E-Tithing for

Novemeber 2021	\$ 1,680.00
Sunday Contributions	\$ 1,510.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 265.00
Thank you for your faithful and generous	s support!

PARISH NEWS

Offertory Envelopes 2022: Please pick up the new box set envelopes at the back of the church. Use the 2022 envelopes beginning in the new year. *Please note, the last day for contributions for 2021 (tax receipt) will be December 26, 2021.* Any contributions received after December 26 will be recorded for 2022.

The 2021 – 2023 Synod of Bishops brings an invitation from Pope Francis to embark on a journey together. How can you get involved? Offer your thoughts on how we can deepen our communion in the Lord and how all members of the Church can participate more fully in its mission. Visit: <u>https://hamiltondiocese.com/synod/#about</u>

New Sunday Missals 2022: Are available at the back of the Church for \$5.00; Youth Missals - \$10.00.

Vocations: Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? Contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988). Email: <u>vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</u> <u>www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/</u>

Blessing for Nativity scene figurine of Jesus:

God our Father, you loved us so much you sent us your only Son, Jesus, Born of the Virgin Mary, To save us and lead us back to you. We pray that, with your blessing, These images of Jesus might be A sign of your presence and love in our homes. Good Father, give your blessing To all who gather with us this Christmas Family and friends. Open our hearts, That we might receive Jesus in joy, Always do what he asks of us, And see him in those who need our love. Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI (2008)

Please remember your parish in your will!

ST. ANTHONY DANIEL



Liturgical Calendar Sunday, December 19 Fourth Sunday of Advent 11:30 am Mass † Alberto de Sousa, Josefina da Piedade and Jose Americano offered by Julio and Margarida Fernandes

Church Cleaning: If you are unable to help but would like to make a contribution, please enclose \$30 in an envelope marked "church cleaning". For more information please contact Joan Kegels, 519-446-1139. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.

Sunday Contributions..... \$ 780.00



Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Pray for us!

Gaudete/Rejoice Sunday



Dear Parishioners:

What is special about the Third Sunday of Advent? For much of the Church's history, this Sunday had a special name: "Gaudete" Sunday. The traditions surrounding this Sunday go back as far as the fourth or fifth century, as does the season of Advent itself. Advent, our preparation for Christmas, was originally a forty-day penitential season like Lent. In fact, since it used to begin on November 12 (just after the Memorial of St. Martin of Tours), it was called "St. Martin's Lent." "Gaudete Sunday" was the Advent counterpart to "Laetare Sunday," which marks the midpoint in Lent.

On Gaudete Sunday, the season of Advent shifts its focus. For the first two weeks of Advent, the focus can be summed up in the phrase, "The Lord is coming." But beginning with Gaudete Sunday, the summary might be, "The Lord is near." This shift is marked by a lighter mood and a heightened sense of joyous anticipation. Liturgically, the colours lighten as well. The priest usually wears rose-colored vestments, a hue seen only on Gaudete Sunday and Laetare Sunday. On this day, we light the third candle of the Advent wreath, which is also rose-colored, or if you prefer, pink.

The word "Gaudete" is Latin for "Rejoice." In times when the focus of our anticipation is often on the negative and fearful, this celebration is a reminder that God who loves us is still in charge and that we await his coming not with fear, but with tremendous joy.

God bless,

Fr. Peter Ciallella



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