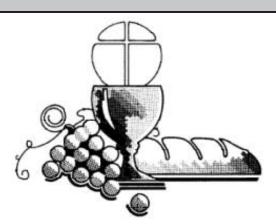
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For further information see the volunteer commitment forms in the main foyer of the church and or contact Marjorie Brimo.

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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

Tuesday, December 15 7:00 pm Mass In honour of St. Lucy offered by Vanda Sciullo

Wednesday, December 16 8:30 a.m. Mass † Sarlota Demeter offered by Blessed Sacrament CWL

Thursday, December 17 8:30 am Mass † Francelina Fernandez offered by Violet Osztrovics

Friday, December 18 8:30 am Mass † Dave Rumble offered by Blessed Sacrament CWL

> Saturday, December 19 Fourth Sunday of Advent 5:00 pm Mass † John Schenning offered by Joan Hepp



Sunday, December 20 Fourth Sunday of Advent 9:30 am Mass Intention of Brandon Szabo offered by Pearl Szabo

Sanctuary Lamp for For All Our Parishioners (Both Parishes)

We Are Stewards

On-Line Giving/E-Tithing for

November 2020	\$ 1,690.00
Weekend Contributions	
Christmas Flowers	\$ 402.00

PARISH NEWS

Sign-Up Sheet for Christmas Masses: Although we are several weeks away, I encourage you to sign up for the Christmas Mass you plan to attend to secure your spot. We want to make certain our regular attendees have a place. Please be considerate and sign up <u>only</u> those family members in your household. We cannot guarantee visitors will be able to participate with us this year given the restrictions.

Health and Safety Team: As we continue to abide by the protocols for keeping our church open, we need more volunteers to help out. We cannot maintain our church open unless we are able to properly sanitize after each Mass. Please contact the Parish Office.

New Sunday Missals for 2021: Are available at the back of the Church for \$5.00; Youth Missals - \$10.00.

Offertory Envelopes 2021: This weekend we will issue you the new box set envelopes. Volunteers will distribute them in the Hall, before and after the weekend Masses.

Advent Confessions: Every Saturday from 4:15 - 4:45 pm.

Christmas Gifts for Hardy Terrace: We are planning to donate gift bags to the senior residents of Hardy Terrace. If you would like to contribute, please contact the Parish Office. Donated items can be dropped off at the Hall before or after Mass during the week or weekend before December 20.

Blessing of Baby Jesus: In Rome there is a custom called "Bambinelli" Sunday in which the images of Baby Jesus are blessed. So we invite you to bring you images of Baby Jesus which you display at home for your Christmas decoration. We will bless them at all the Masses this weekend. It is a wonderful way to call upon the blessings of Baby Jesus for all our families.

Newly Baptized: We welcome the newest member of our Catholic Family: **Bella Mary Christine Fitzgerald** (parents, Nicholas and Hailey). We pray that she will continue to grow in her faith with the guidance and love of her parents and godparents.

ST. ANTHONY DANIEL



Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, December 20 Fourth Sunday of Advent 11:30 am Mass For All Our Parishioners (Both Parishes)

Christmas Masses: Please sign up for the Mass you plan to attend either December 24 or 25.

Christmas Flowers: A collection will be taken up after Mass on December 13 and 20 to help offset the cost of the Christmas Flowers for the church.

New Missals 2021: Adult, \$5 and Youth Missal \$10.

Offertory Envelopes 2021: Volunteers will help distribute them before and after Mass this week.

Announcement of Marriage: Jordan Horvath and Emily Arva. December 19, 2020 at 2:30 pm.

Contributions

\$ 460.00



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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