

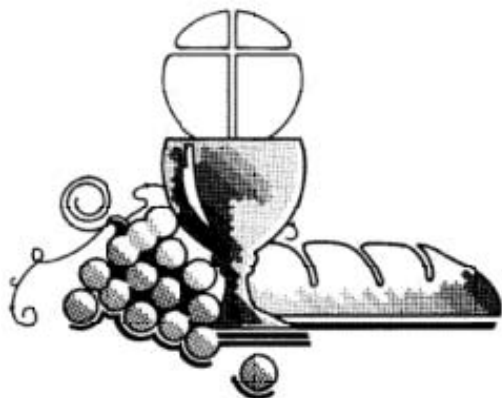
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NEW PARISHIONERS

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.

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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

The Baptism of Children is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 3:00 p.m. in Burford and the third Sunday of the month in Scotland. Application forms are available at the entrance of the church.

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, December 18

6:30 p.m. Mass

Amanda Kisielewski requested by Gail Guthrie

Tuesday, December 19

7:00 p.m. Mass

Anna Sprencz requested by Violet Osztrovics and Pearl Szabo

Wednesday, December 20

8:30 a.m. Mass

Janina & Nicholas Rudy requested by Regina Rudy

Thursday, December 21

8:30 a.m. Mass

Luis Macedo requested by the Macedo Family

Friday, December 22

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lillian Edwards requested by Stella Kozuch

Saturday, December 23

Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. Mass

Maggie Zacher requested by the Zacher Family

Ray Grubb requested by Belle and Family

Sunday, December 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:30 a.m. Mass

John & Irene Chosen requested by the Family

Genia Gluch requested by Mary Grelik

Faith Formation News

Advent Faith Series: We will have our last meeting on **December 18 at 7:00 p.m.** Mass will take place at 6:30 p.m.

RCIA: Last RCIA Meeting prior to Christmas break will take place on **Wednesday, December 20 at 7:00 p.m.** We re-convene on **January 10th at 7:00 p.m.**

Children's Liturgy: Last Children's Liturgy meeting for the year will be **December 24th.** We will resume on **January 7th, 2018.**

Holy Matrimony: We congratulate Gregory Dignard and Katelyn Griesser whose wedding will take place on Friday, December 29th at 1:00 p.m.

Advent Confessions: Father Al McMillan will be available for Confessions on **Tuesday, December 19 from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.** We will also have confessions on **Friday, December 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** and **Saturday, December 23 from 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.** **St. Basil's Church in Brantford (50 Palace Street)** will have a number of Confessors available on **Thursday, December 21 from 7:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m.**

Christmas Mass Times: Christmas Eve, December 24th, falls on a Sunday this year. **Christmas Mass Times** will be **5:00 p.m. and 10:30 p.m.** at Blessed Sacrament (Carols at 10:00 p.m.) and **7:00 p.m.** at St. Anthony Daniel. **Christmas Day, Monday, December 25: 9:30 a.m.** at Blessed Sacrament and **11:30 a.m.** at St. Anthony Daniel. **Our regular weekend Mass times remain the same** - Saturday, Dec. 23rd - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 24th - 9:30 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament and 11:30 a.m. at St. Anthony Daniel.

Visiting the Sick during Advent: Fr. Peter will be visiting the sick for any of the following services: Holy Communion, Anointing of the Sick, Confession or a simple visit and/or blessing. Please add the names of a loved one or friend who is open to a visit from Fr. Peter. Sign-up sheet at the back table. Please provide all the pertinent information - name, address,

Sanctuary candle requested for the intentions of Irena Mackiewicz requested by Elizabeth Sroka.

We Are Stewards

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telephone number and preference of time (morning, afternoon or evening). The office will contact the individual and arrange an appointment.

CWL: Please note annual memberships may be renewed after the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday.

New Missals for 2018 available at the back of the Church for \$5.00; special Youth Missals - \$10.00.

Sunday Offering Envelopes: Envelopes for 2018 are ready for pick-up at the back of the Church. If you wish to begin using direct deposit or envelopes, please contact the parish office.

SAINT ANTHONY DANIEL



Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, December 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

11:30 a.m. Mass

For All Our Parishioners (Both Parishes)

Christmas Mass, Sunday, December 24

The Nativity of the Lord

7:00 p.m. Mass

Christmas Mass, Monday, December 25

The Nativity of the Lord

11:30 a.m. Mass

Special Prayers: Please keep in your daily prayers Franklin Cruz, Helen Drozd (recent surgery) Stan Drozd, Gabriella Fernandes, granddaughter of Julio & Margarida Fernandes (awaiting a kidney transplant) and Olga Farkas (in hospital in Niagara Falls).

C.W.L. Meeting: Our annual Wine and Cheese event will be held on **Tuesday, January 9th, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Church hall.** All are welcome. January is our Membership Drive – annual dues are \$20.00 and may be given to Mary Ann Steyaert or put in an envelope in the collection basket with your name and address on Sundays. All new and past members are welcome.



Our Blessed Mother Mary and the Advent Promise

Dear Parishioners:

Throughout the Advent season we are introduced to key Advent figures who model for us the way to prepare for the Lord's coming, such as, the Prophet Isaiah, St. John the Baptist, St. Joseph, and of course, Mary our Blessed Mother. A wise Priest from my seminary days often would say "Nobody better prepared for Christmas than our Blessed Mother!" And how true!

During the Advent season we read about how Mary was chosen to be the Mother of our Lord (4th Sunday of Advent). When the Angel Gabriel announced to Mary God's wonderful plan, she was perplexed at first, but she became resolute in carrying out that plan when she declared, "Behold, I am the Handmaid of the Lord ... Be it done to me according to His Word." In that bold statement Mary demonstrates complete surrender and trust in God's loving plan.

Aside from this pivotal passage of the Advent season, we celebrate two important Feast days in honour of our Blessed Mother: the Immaculate Conception (December 8) and Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12). These devotions give us a glimpse into the soul of our Blessed Mother and her deep abiding faith. As we look to Mary for hope and inspiration, she gently turns our attention to her beloved Son and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Through her example, may we better understand God's loving plan and promise for us.

God bless,
Fr. Peter Ciallella

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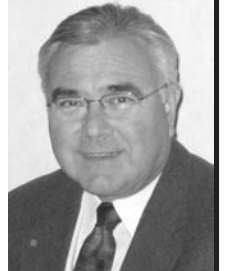


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