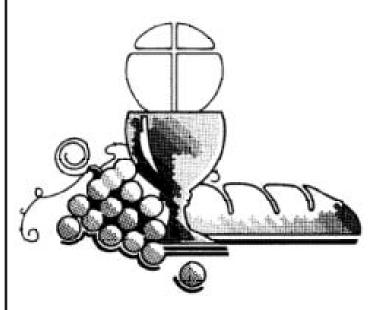
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#### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

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.

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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**

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 Andrew Czarny 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

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.

#### BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

#### Liturgical Calendar

Monday, January 16 No Mass

**Tuesday, January 17**Mass 7:00pm

Wednesday, January 18 Mass 8:30am

#### Thursday, January 19

Mass 8:45am † Tony DaSilva offered by Beatrice DaSilva

#### Friday, January 20

Mass 8:30am † Danielo Pace offered by Violet Osztrovics

#### Saturday, January 21

Mass 5:00pm † Beatris Silva † Vasco Almeida † Jose Pereira offered by Horacio Silva and family

Sunday, January 22

Mass 9:30am All Our Parishioners

#### **We Are Stewards**

**Weekend Contributions ..........\$ 2,446.50** 

~Please remember your parish in your will~

#### ST. ANTHONY THE ABBOT

Saint Anthony.

you spoke of the importance of persevering in our faith and our practice. Help us to wake up each day with new zeal for the Christian life and a desire to take the next challenge instead of just sitting still. Amen.

# Parish News...

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH: Parents hold two important roles in their family, they lead and model. Healthy families come from parents who take both roles seriously. As leaders you set the household tone by staying on the same page (even if parenting from a different household), setting rules to be followed and by ensuring children know you are in charge. Even more important is your role as a model, since children watch more than listen! Modelling happens when you spend time with your children, really listen to them, encourage them and have deep and important conversations. When you take on these two roles you will become the primary influencers of your children and they will feel loved and secure. From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH: The culture often pushes us to pursue work, activities and socializing, without keeping us grounded in the fact that there are only 24 hours in a day. When we look at our lives through the lens of both a daily and weekly schedule, we can begin to see where our priorities are focused. Many people feel lonely in their marriages, but loving someone means we spend enough time together to ward off loneliness and in so doing, bond and deepen our love. From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

#### PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY JANUARY 18-25

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated around the world on January 18-25th, which are also the dates recommended by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. However, there has also been a long-standing practice by a number of communities to celebrate the Week of Prayer on optional dates in order to include two Sundays. This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all denominations to meet up to participate in various liturgical and other community activities, and to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires.

SAVE THE DATE: THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS IS BACK! Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available on line by mid-November at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

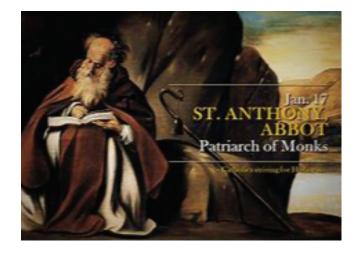
#### ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH



Liturgical Calendar
Sunday, January 22
No Mass

Weekend Contributions ...... \$791.00

#### St. Anthony, Abbot



Two Greek philosophers ventured out into the Egyptian desert to the mountain where Anthony lived. When they got there, Anthony asked them why they had come to talk to such a foolish man? He had reason to say that -- they saw before them a man who wore a skin, who refused to bathe, who lived on bread and water. They were Greek, the world's most admired civilization, and Anthony was Egyptian, a member of a conquered nation. St. Anthony, Abbot was a hermit-saint in the fourth century who died in the deserts of Egypt. (Not to be confused with St. Anthony of Padua, a Franciscan saint of the thirteenth century.) They were philosophers, educated in languages and rhetoric. Anthony had not even attended school as a boy and he needed an interpreter to speak to them. In their eyes, he would have seemed very foolish. But the Greek philosophers had heard the stories of Anthony. They had heard how disciples came from all over to learn from him, how his intercession had brought about miraculous healings, how his words comforted the suffering. They assured him that they had come to him because he was a wise man. Anthony went on to tell the Greek philosophers that their arguments would never be as strong as faith. He pointed out that all rhetoric, all arguments, no matter how complex, how well-founded, were created by human beings. But faith was created by God. If they wanted to follow the greatest ideal, they should follow their faith. Anthony knew how difficult this was. Throughout his life he argued and literally wrestled with the devil. His first temptations to leave his ascetic life were arguments we would find hard to resist -- anxiety about his sister, longings for his relatives, thoughts of how he could have used his property for good purposes, desire for power and money. When Anthony was able to resist him, the devil then tried flattery, telling Anthony how powerful Anthony was to beat him. Anthony relied on Jesus' name to rid himself of the devil. It wasn't the last time, though. One time, his bout with the devil left him so beaten, his friends thought he was dead and carried him to church. Anthony had a hard time accepting this. After one particular difficult struggle, he saw a light appearing in the tomb he lived in. Knowing it was God, Anthony called out, "Where were you when I needed you?" God answered, "I was here. I was watching your struggle. Because you didn't give in, I will stay with you and protect you forever." Anthony guessed what they wanted. They lived by words and arguments. They wanted to hear his words and his arguments on the truth of Christianity and the value of ascetism. But he refused to play their game. He told them that if they truly thought him wise, "If you think me wise, become what I am, for we ought to imitate the good. Had I gone to you, I should have imitated you, but, since you have come to me, become what I am. for I am a Christian."

~Legend has it that during his periods of prayer and fasting in the desert, his only companions were the animals. An integral part of St. Anthony's feast day is the blessing of domestic animals. The Feast Day of St. Anthony, Abbot is January 17<sup>th</sup> and it is a propitious time for regeneration of the cosmos. The blessing of domestic animals on this feast day was considered auspicious, keeping away harmful forces from the home and land, bringing fertility and fecundity.

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