

# The Roman Catholic Communities of **BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH, BURFORD & ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH, SCOTLAND**

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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](http://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.

**BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH**

*Liturgical Calendar*

**Monday, January 30**

No Mass

**Tuesday, January 31**

Mass 7:00pm

**Wednesday, February 1**

Mass 8:30am

† Lanie Albers offered by the Hoogstraten family

**Thursday, February 2**

Mass 8:45am

**Friday, February 3**

Mass 8:30am

† Jose Oliviera offered by Beatriz DaSilva

**Saturday, February 4**

Mass 5:00pm

† Daniello Pace offered by Maria & Frank Petrella

**Sunday, February 5**

Mass 9:30am

All Our Parishioners

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**Weekend Contributions .....\$ 2, 246.00**

**Building Fund..... \$ 275.00**



*Parish News...*



**CONFIRMATION RETREAT DAY #1:** The first Confirmation Retreat Day will take place on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-12:00pm inside the church hall. We have prepared, what we hope, is a fun filled spiritual day for our candidates. We ask for everyone's prayers as these Candidates prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation in the next few weeks.

**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](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

**PLEASE JOIN US!**

Blessed Sacrament welcomes everyone to come out for indoor walking in our large hall. Mondays and Thursdays- 9:00am-11:00am. Cost is \$4.00/visit. Please bring dry shoes to wear in the hall. For further info call Veronica 519.757. 9696.

**LINE DANCING/ZUMBA AT ST. MARY'S IN BRANTFORD:**

Please join us at St. Mary's Parish Hall, Mondays- Line Dancing \$5/visit 6:00pm-7:30pm Wednesdays- Zumba \$5/visit 7:00pm-8:00pm All are welcome, don't forget your water bottle ☺

**ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH**



**Liturgical Calendar**

**Sunday, February 5**

No Mass

**Weekend Contributions .....\$ 375.00**

**St. John Bosco January 31<sup>st</sup>**

John Bosco, also known as Giovanni Melchiorre Bosco and Don Bosco, was born in Becchi, Italy, on August 16, 1815. His birth came just after the end of the Napoleonic Wars which ravaged the area. At the age of two, John lost his father, leaving him and his two older brothers to be raised by his mother, Margherita. His "Mama Margherita Occhiena" would herself be declared venerable by the Church in 2006. Raised primarily by his mother, John attended church and became very devout. They were very poor, but despite their poverty his mother also found enough to share with the homeless. When John was nine years old, he had the first of several vivid dreams that would influence his life. In his dream, he encountered a multitude of boys who swore as they played. Among these boys, he encountered a great, majestic man and woman. The man told him that in meekness and charity, he would "conquer these your friends." Then a lady, also majestic said, "Be strong, humble and robust. When the time comes, you will understand everything." This dream influenced John the rest of his life. Not long afterwards, John witnessed a traveling troupe of circus performers. He was enthralled by their magic tricks and acrobatics. He realized if he learned their tricks, he could use them to attract others and hold their attention. While visiting the prisons, Fr. Bosco noticed a large number of boys, between the ages of 12 and 18, inside. The conditions were deplorable, and he felt moved to do more to help other boys from ending up there. He went into the streets and started to meet young men and boys where they worked and played. He used his talents as a performer, doing tricks to capture

attention, then sharing with the children his message for the day. When he was not preaching, Fr. Bosco worked tirelessly seeking work for boys who needed it, and searching for lodgings for others. His mother began to help him, and she became known as "Mamma Margherita." By the 1860s, Fr. Bosco and his mother were responsible for lodging 800 boys. In 2002, Pope John Paul II was petitioned to declare St. John Bosco the Patron of Stage Magicians. St. Bosco had pioneered the art of what is today called "Gospel Magic," using magic and other feats to attract attention and engage the youth. Saint John Bosco is the patron saint of apprentices, editors and publishers, schoolchildren, magicians, and juvenile delinquents.

**The Presentation of the Lord**

**February 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Traditionally, the Church has set aside Feb. 2 in observance of the Presentation of the Lord - or the day in which Joseph and Mary presented Jesus to the priests and elders in the Temple. In old days, the Presentation was often referred to as "Candlemas" and was celebrated by a candle-lit procession into the church, signifying Christ as the "light of nations." The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is a relatively ancient celebration. We know that the Church at Jerusalem was observing the feast as early as the first half of the 4th century, and likely earlier. When Christ was presented in the temple, "there was a man in Jerusalem named Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel." When St. Mary and St. Joseph brought Christ to the temple, Simeon embraced the Child and prayed the Cantic of Simeon: "Now thou dost dismiss thy servant, O Lord, according to thy word in peace; because my eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all peoples: a light to the revelation of the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel" (Luke 2:29-32). Because of the words of the cantic, "a light to the revelation of the Gentiles", by the 11th century, the custom had developed in the West of blessing candles on the Feast of the Presentation. The candles were then lit, and a procession took place through the darkened church while the Cantic of Simeon was sung. Because of this, the feast also became known as Candlemas.

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