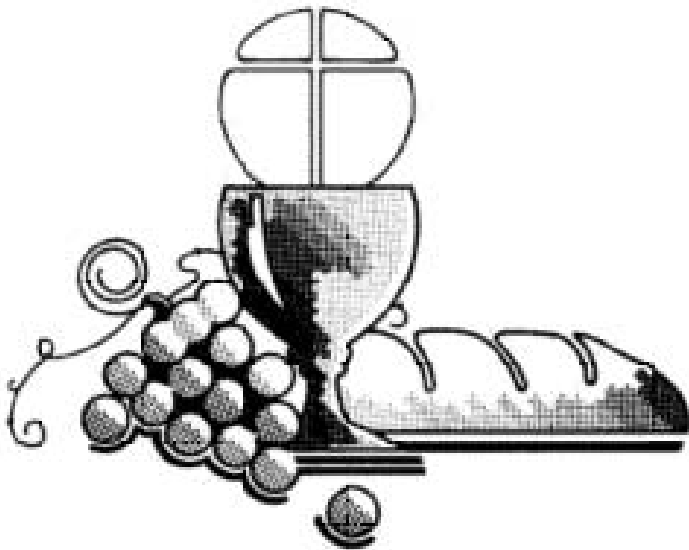


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For further information see the volunteer commitment forms in the main foyer of the church

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.

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 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 liturgy is an opportunity for children to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word at a level they can understand.

BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

**1st Friday of every month is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament following 8:30am Mass*
**1st Saturday of every month is Mass at 9:00am followed by the Rosary and Confession*
**Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday 4:15 pm-4:45 pm*

Liturgical Calendar

Monday, September 4

No Mass

Tuesday, September 5

No Mass

Wednesday, September 6

No Mass

Thursday, September 7

No Mass

Friday, September 8

Mass 8:30am

† Maria J. and Antonio C. Borges offered by the family

Saturday, September 9

Mass 5:00pm

† Berta Phleger offered by husband Rupert Phleger

Sunday, September 10

Mass 9:30am

All Our Parishioners

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Weekend Contributions \$ 1,380.45



We thank you for our Catholic school community where we can journey in faith together. Help us to accompany each other in our learning as we grow, living as joyful disciples of Jesus and bringing good news to the world. May your love speak to our hearts, helping us to bring hope to others and a commitment to justice in all we do.

**Indigenous Awareness
BLANKET EXERCISE**



On **Saturday, September 16th, 2023** the Indigenous Relations Committee will be hosting a Blanket Exercise in our Parish. Attendance is limited and the committee wishes to offer attendance to our Parishioners prior to opening registration to other churches in our area. The cost is \$10 per person. For more information and to register, visit: stpiusbrantford.ca/cinews/events-2

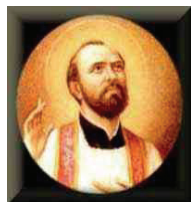
Be A Man!

All men of the parish are invited to take part in a challenging and powerful program called, **“Metanoia”**. The overall intention is conversion of heart, helping MEN to become better husbands, better fathers, and better leaders in our communities. This is an invitation to *become the man God has created you to be*.

Be A Man is a Brantford laymen’s initiative for men from all parishes in our area. Our First meeting for this year is September 16th. We meet every Saturday morning, 7:00 – 8:30 a.m., at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 9 Waverly Street. A light breakfast is provided with **GOOD COFFEE** and **GREAT FELLOWSHIP**. Come out just once and see if it’s for you!

GOLF TOURNAMENT & AUCTION: Catholic Children's Aid of Hamilton has been helping children in the Hamilton Diocese of over 50 years and the needs continue to increase. Youth in our community **are facing homelessness, food insecurity and mental health issues**. You can make a difference today by helping us to raise funds by placing a bid on our online. auction & raffle. All the money raised will be poured back into support for our young people. There are a variety of items to choose from - something for everyone! Check it all out at [Children First Raffle & Auction \(auctria.com\)](http://Children First Raffle & Auction (auctria.com)). Be sure to scroll to the bottom of our page and hear from some of our youth directly. If you like to play golf, you might also consider joining us for our golf tournament on Sept. 12th. Please reach out to, **Roger Ali: Roger.ali@hamiltonccas.on.ca** or 1-905-525-2012 ext. 3150.

ST. ANTHONY DANIEL PARISH



Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, September 10

Mass 11:30am

All Our Parishioners

Weekend Contributions\$ 365.00

**The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
September 8th**

On December 8, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. That solemnity highlights the singular grace bestowed upon the Blessed Virgin Mary at the moment she was conceived. The Church dogma states, "...in the first instance of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege granted by Almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the human race, was preserved free from all stain of original sin, is a doctrine revealed by God and therefore to be believed firmly and constantly by all the faithful" (Pope Pius IX, 1954). Today's Feast of the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated exactly nine months after the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, just as Christmas is celebrated nine months after the Church remembers the Incarnation of the Son of God on the Solemnity of the Annunciation. The birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary is one of three liturgical feasts in which we celebrate a birth: Christmas, the Birth of Saint John the Baptist, and the Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Only the three most consequential figures in the Bible receive the honour of a liturgical celebration to commemorate their births. Nothing is known for certain about the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary or of her upbringing, since the Bible only introduces the Mother of God to us for the first time during the Annunciation. However, an early second-century apocryphal text called the Protoevangelium of James (The Gospel of James), paints a detailed picture of her conception, birth, early years, and betrothal to Saint Joseph. Though the account is not part of the canon of Scripture, it has been a source of reflection throughout the centuries and is the source of the traditional names of the Blessed Mother's parents, Joachim, and Anne. The actual feast we celebrate today is believed

to have been first celebrated in the fifth or sixth century in the East and was tied to the dedication of a Byzantine church near the Pools of Bethesda in the Old City of Jerusalem. The church was built over what was believed to be the birthplace of Mary and the home of Joachim and Anne, just a short distance from the Temple. In the twelfth century, the current Basilica of Saint Anne was built on the same site. Beneath the basilica lie what are believed to be the caves in which the Mother of God was born and lived. Regardless of whether the apocryphal Gospel of James presents accurate historical truths regarding the conception, birth, and early life of the Blessed Virgin Mary, it is not difficult to prayerfully ponder the importance of her birth and childhood. Saint Andrew of Crete beautifully relates that on this day, the "Creator of the world constructed His temple..." Mary is that temple, that Arc of the New Covenant, the tabernacle, and first dwelling place of God Incarnate. Her soul was born pure, spotless, and holy. As she grew, she manifested every virtue perfectly. All who knew her as a child would have been deeply impressed by her sanctity. Birthdays celebrate people. They are occasions to rejoice in and honour the whole life of that person. The other memorials, feasts, and solemnities of the liturgical year honour various specific aspects of Mary's life. Today's feast honours her whole life, her personhood, and the gift of who she was and is. As we celebrate the birthday of the Mother of God, spend time pondering her soul. Though much of her earthly life has remained hidden from our eyes, she is the greatest saint to ever live and the holiest daughter of God this world has ever known. In Heaven, we will be in awe of her virtues and will forever rejoice in the great things God did in and through her. Begin that rejoicing today by prayerfully honouring her and pondering her, seeking her prayer for your life and for the whole world.



Dearest Mother Mary, your conception was immaculate and your birth glorious. You were conceived without sin, born without sin, and remained sinless throughout your life. In Heaven, you radiate the beauty and splendor of God and will do so for all eternity. Please pray for me, that I will more fully imitate your many virtues, so that I can be a fitting instrument of your divine Son in the world. Mother Mary, pray for me. Jesus, I trust in You.

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