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*prepare the way...*

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### PARISH LITURGIES FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

#### LITURGIES

December 23 – December 29

#### Tuesday, December 24 – Christmas Eve

5:00 pm Mass  
7:30 pm Mass  
11:00 pm Carols  
11:30 pm Mass

#### Wednesday, December 25 – Christmas Day

9:00 am Mass  
11:00 am Mass

Thursday, December 26  
No Mass

#### Friday, December 27

8:30 am +Orlando Mayorga  
9:00 am Adoration

#### THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, JOSEPH

#### Saturday, December 28

4:00 pm Reconciliation  
5:00 pm Int. Jelena Bogdanovska  
+Rose & Dick  
Cunningham  
+Joe Garvey  
+Brigida Herrera  
+Teresa Lori  
+McKenna family  
+John O'Reilly  
+Maria Piccinini

#### Sunday, December 29

9:00 am - For our  
11:00 am Parish



Let us prepare our hearts to receive God's Son:  
as we light the Fourth candle

### SPECIAL LITURGIES

#### The Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Tuesday, December 31 – 5:00 pm and  
Wednesday, January 1 – 10:00 am



BEEN THINKING OF  
WHAT TO GIVE  
JESUS ON *HIS*  
BIRTHDAY?

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How about a pledge  
to the *One Heart,  
One Soul* Campaign?

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Visit [oneheartonesoul.ca](http://oneheartonesoul.ca)  
to make your pledge today.

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTERS

December 21/22

- 5 pm Knights of Columbus  
Social/service group
- 9 am – Children's Liturgy  
16 leaders, 19 assistants lead service  
geared to children during 9 & 11 am Sunday Masses
- 11am – Conquest & Challenge  
Youth Group

*"May the Lord come in;  
He is king of glory"*

### SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday offering envelopes for 2020 are available in the Parish Centre for all who are currently using envelopes. As we approach a new fiscal in January we ought to consider our individual and collective responsibility for the upkeep in our parish facilities, the support of our parish staff and the promotion of God's reign through the many educational outreach activities of our parish.

Parishioners who are not currently using envelopes but wish to do so, please contact the parish secretary during office hours.

**C.W.L. NEWS**

Your 2020 CWL membership is due of \$30., You may write a cheque to Saint Dominic CWL in the amount of \$30.00 and place it in the blue CWL envelope included in your parish envelopes to put in the collection. Please write your name, address, telephone number and email.

**FOOD BANK**

As usual you are invited to bring non-perishable food for the needy and place that food in our bin in the Parish Centre Narthex throughout the holy season of Advent. Items required: Baby food and baby formula, canned fish, canned meats, pasta sauces, soups, peanut butter, jam, cookies, juice, sugar, tea, coffee, cereal, powdered milk. Thank you on behalf of those who will benefit.

**CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church Bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2020 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the Bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at (905) 624-4422.

**HAMILTON DIOCESE NEWS**

**HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR**

Monday, Dec. 23	Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzmai
Tuesday, Dec. 24	Rev. James McSharry
Wed. Dec. 25	<b>Christmas Day (The Nativity of the Lord)</b>
Thurs, Dec. 19	Rev. Martin Mikulski
Friday, Dec. 20	Rev. Joseph Okoko
Saturday, Dec. 21	Rev. Franjo Sprajc

**VOCATIONS**

“The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” Could God be calling you to be a priest in order to help our world of today to truly “prepare the ways of the Lord”? If God is calling you to the priesthood, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**Parenting Tip of the Month**

For Catholics, Christmas is about so much more than gifts; it is the promise, through the birth of Jesus, of goodness and light coming into our lives. Do your children know

this is the focus of Christmas? Advent and Christmas are perfect times to highlight the “reason for the season”. Read stories about the Advent wreath so they understand what each candle symbolizes; read the story of the Nativity (more than once!); be sure the tree is adorned with symbols of the faith; read family Advent reflections daily during Advent; attend Mass and reflect on the reading each week, including Christmas Day. Faith sets a foundation on which to stand and Christmas is a perfect time to bring Christ into your family activities!

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*“Jesus was born of Mary,  
who was engaged to Joseph  
Son of David”*



*“May you and your families  
Rejoice and be glad  
In the birth of  
Christ Our Saviour”*





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