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*Feast of the Holy Family*

**PARISH LITURGIES  
CHRISTMAS SEASON WEEK**

**LITURGIES**

**December 30 – January 5**

**SOLEMNITY OF  
HOLY MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

**Tuesday, December 31 (VIGIL)**

5:00 pm Mass +Guido Bardaro

**Wednesday, January 1**

10:00 am Mass

**Thursday, January 2**

8:30 am +Felica Aranha

**Friday, January 3**

8:30 am +Walter & Peggy Ross

9:00 am Adoration

**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**Saturday, January 4**

4:00 pm Reconciliation

5:00 pm +Gabriele Biondo

+Jim Donnelly

Int. Fernandes family

+Wally Gillard

Int. Anita Jesema

+Collette & Patrice

Livingstone

+Ramon Tarrosa

**Sunday, January 5**

9:00 am - For our

11:00 am Parish



*"They found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. After eight days he was named Jesus"*

**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.



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**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.

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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.

*“Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord,  
who walks in his ways ”*

## HAMILTON DIOCESE NEWS

### HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday, Dec. 30	Rev. Mark Morley
Tuesday, Dec. 31	Rev. Jason Kuntz
Wednesday, January 1	Diocesan Priests
Thursday, January 2	Rev. Mark Sullivan
Friday, January 3	Very Rev. Wayne Lobsinger
Saturday, January 4	Rev. Gregory Merkley

### VOCATIONS

Mary treasured all the God had done for her and pondered these things in her heart. Do you treasure God and ponder what He wants from you? You may have a vocation to a life in the Church serving Christ. If God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at (905) 528-7988 email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

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*“Get up, take the child and  
his mother, and flee to Egypt”*

### SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

**Tuesday, December 31 – 5:00 pm (Vigil)**  
**- Wednesday, January 1 – 10:00 am**

On this day, we give praise and thanks to almighty God for the gift of Mary, the Mother of God and the spiritual mother of all the faithful. The scriptural basis of this Solemnity is found in the Gospel of Luke 2.16-21.

Catholics have an obligation to worship at Mass on this day. Hopefully we are motivated to respond to this obligation out of love for Mary, who always leads us to the heart of her Son. As a new year begins, we resolve to follow the example of Mary, who committed herself in love to the Son of God.



*“Many blessings to  
All in the  
New Year”*

### SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY

On this Solemnity of the Epiphany, the Magi follow the guidance of a star that leads them to Bethlehem. In a spirit of deep humility, they present their gifts to the One who is a priest, prophet and king. The gift of gold is for a king, as Jesus is the King of all creation. The gift of frankincense is for a priest, for Jesus is the eternal High Priest of the new covenant. The gift of myrrh is for the anointing of a body at the time of burial, for Jesus fulfills the prophetic word that the Saviour would give His life for the salvation of all people.

During the Christmas season, we too worship the newborn King and place our gifts before Him. The Gospel next week reminds us that the Magi were humble enough to seek direction in order to find their way. On the journey of faith, we also need others to assist us, to pray for us and encourage us to persevere.

As a parish family, may we continue to support one another on the journey of faith and especially remember those in our community who are preparing to be received into the fullness of the Catholic faith at Easter.



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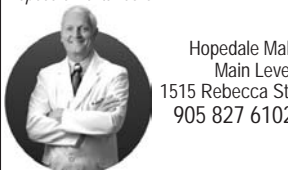
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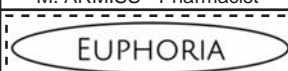
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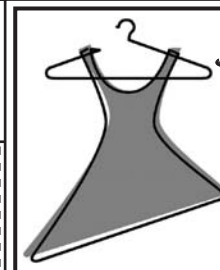
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