



# Holy Rosary Parish

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## MISSION STATEMENT

Holy Rosary Parish is a Catholic Community rooted in Faith, Hope and Love. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we strive to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ and spread it to our growing and diverse community. We welcome and reach out to individuals and families through Worship, Evangelization, Christian Formation and Service to all God's people.

## PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. John Van Hees, Pastor  
Fr. Hayden Starczala, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Mr. James Whittaker, Deacon

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Corina Thomas, Parish Secretary  
Angela Cumming, Parish Secretary  
Dennis Herrero, Property Manager


## ADMINISTRATION OFFICE 905-878-6535

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
(Summer Hours: Office closes at 3:30 p.m.)  
Saturday 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Parking & Access  
Church, Parish Hall

## LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.  
Interpreted Mass: 10:00 a.m. 

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday: 7:40 p.m.  
Saturday: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS LIFE:** For more information or assistance, you may contact your parish priest or Rev. Mark Morley, the Diocesan Vocation Director at 905-528-7988, ext. 2223 or [www.vocationsinfo.ca](http://www.vocationsinfo.ca)

## ADORATION CHAPEL

The Blessed Sacrament is available for adoration 24 hours per day. For adoration outside regular office hours, please register at the office for the door code. Adoration is offered for Vocations on the First Friday of every month.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the Administration Office as soon as possible after the birth of your baby.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the Administration Office, generally, one year in advance. At least one party to the marriage must be Catholic and living within the territory of the parish or a parishioner of Holy Rosary Parish.

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Holy Rosary	905-876-1121
St. Peter	905-878-4626
St. Anthony of Padua	905-864-8272
Queen of Heaven	289-851-9329

## NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Please take time to tell us about yourself. Parish registration forms are available in the foyer of the church. These may be completed and placed in the collection basket or dropped off at the parish office.

## BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please email your announcement to the Parish Office at [reception@holyrosaryparish.ca](mailto:reception@holyrosaryparish.ca) by Monday at 9:00 a.m.

## CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family please contact the parish office and we will assist you in making liturgical arrangements. The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton website is [www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca](http://www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca)



**Tuesday, Dec 13, 2022 – St. Lucy**

8:00 a.m. †Anthony Cosulich

7:00 p.m. †Nediljko Tomasovic; †Mila Sison Bravo;  
†Trueman Patterson; †Dec. Memb. Gaetan  
& Arpa Families

**Wednesday, Dec 14, 2022 – St. John of the Cross**

8:00 a.m. †Uldarico & Maria Razal

7:00 p.m. No Evening Mass

**\*\*Advent Evening of Reconciliation will be celebrated  
at St. Benedict Parish starting at 7 pm \*\***

**Thursday, Dec 15, 2022**

8:00 a.m. †Stanislaw Radlowski

7:00 p.m. †Dionisio Alcantara

**Friday, Dec 16, 2022**

8:00 a.m. †Patti Lobraico

**Saturday, Dec 17, 2022 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent**

5:00 p.m. †Gilda Vieira; †Michael McGrath; †John  
O'Connell; †Yvon Galipeau

**Sanctuary Lamp – Week of Dec 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

In Loving Memory of Lucie Bullock

**Readings for Sunday, Dec 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022:**

Isaiah 7.10-14

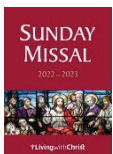
Romans 1.1-7

Matthew 1.18-24

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

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**2022-2023 SUNDAY MISSALS**



The new **2022-2023 "Living with Christ" Sunday Missals** have arrived! The missals became effective on the first Sunday of Advent, November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022. They can be purchased at the parish office. Cost is \$10.00 each. A portion of the proceeds will go towards new hymnals.

Refer to our website: [www.holyrosaryparish.ca](http://www.holyrosaryparish.ca) for additional events, information & updates



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**



The Knights of Columbus will be conducting their annual **Food Drive**

each Sunday in Advent.

Food can be dropped off at the Knights trailer in the church parking lot. Cash and credit card donations to the Food Drive will also be accepted. **Keep Christ in Christmas lawn signs** will be available for \$10.00 each. Food Drive donations can also be made online at <https://www.holyrosaryknights.ca>. Thank you for your generosity.

The Knights of Columbus welcome all parishioners to Coffee Sunday held in the parish hall after all Masses on **Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**

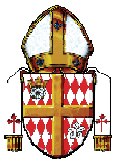


**WOMEN'S RETREAT**

Our parish is offering a day retreat for women on **Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>** from **9:30am to 3pm**. It is organized by Fr. Pierre and a team of collaborators. If you feel that life is busy and you need to reconnect with the Lord, this retreat is for you! Women will deepen in their identity as daughters of God and reflect on the experience of Mary Magdalene. See the parish website for more information. Space is limited. To register:

<https://www.regnumchristiontario.org/event-details/womens-day-retreat-2>

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**



We know that at Christmas our hearts will be full – we want our pews to be full also!

Throughout Advent, parishes across the Diocese are being encouraged to invite all the faithful to Come Home for Christmas. We all know people who have fallen away from regular Mass attendance, and Christmas provides a privileged occasion to welcome them home. All parishioners are encouraged to join in this effort to extend a warm invitation to return - for more information, visit:

<http://hamiltondiocese.com>



**CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS**

Please note that the parish office will be closing at noon on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and will remain closed between Christmas and New Year's. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. General mailbox messages will be checked daily.

## ADVENT EVENING OF RECONCILIATION



You are invited and encouraged to participate in our Evening of Reconciliation. It will be held on **Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm** at **St. Benedict Parish**. There will be guest confessors available. This evening is a time for personal prayer and an opportunity for Individual Confession. We must prepare ourselves to celebrate Christ's birth at Christmas. Come and spend time with our Lord during Advent.

**Please note:** The last opportunity for confession at Holy Rosary Parish prior to Christmas will be **Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm**.

## 2023 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES



The new offering envelopes for 2023 are available in ALPHABETICAL ORDER on the tables in the outer foyer of the church.

- Please ensure that you take the envelopes with your name and address on them.
- If you did not use envelopes last year and wish to contribute to the parish, or if you have changed your address, please come to the parish office during the week.
- We ask you to please recycle all old church envelopes from previous years.
- We appreciate it when you put your name on the outside of the first couple of envelopes to ensure accurate posting of your donation to your name.

## PRAYER INTENTION FOR VOCATIONS

If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon or religious, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) or 905-528-7988.

Please remember to especially pray for our priests:

**Dec 12 – Rev. Michael Anderson**

**Dec 13 – Rev. Robert Love**

**Dec 14 – Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (C.Ss.R.)**

**Dec 15 – Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.**

**Dec 16 – Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.**

**Dec 17 – Rev. Ilija Petkovic**

## REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR KINDERGARTEN AT HCDSB



Parents and guardians who are interested in registering their child for kindergarten are invited to visit the HCDSB website for more information:

<https://hcdsb.info/KindergartenRegistration>

## BISHOP REDING CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Join Bishop Reding's music department for the annual Christmas Concert being held in the Bishop Reding Theatre on **December 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 pm**.

## TAX DONATIONS

Thank you so much for your support in all the many ways you give. It's getting close to year end and this is a reminder to all that financial donations for the 2022 tax year should be received by the parish office by **Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>**. At this time, the parish books will be closed and all donations for 2022 will be deposited to the parish bank account. Any donations that come in after this date will be applied to the year 2023.



## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE



### Christmas Vigil Masses

Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Masses at Holy Rosary Church

5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

### Solemn Midnight Mass

Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Carol Service – 11:45 p.m.

Solemn Midnight Mass – 12:00 a.m.

### Masses During Christmas Day

Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

8:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; and 11:30 a.m.

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### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Saturday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

8:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; and 11:30 a.m.



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