

# Holy Rosary Parish

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Church, Parish Hall

## LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Interpreted Mass: 11:00 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.

## 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. Nishil Varghese, CMI, Associate Pastor

Rev. Mr. James Whittaker, Deacon

## ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Corina Thomas, Parish Secretary

Angela Cumming, Parish Secretary

Karina Morales, 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.

## OUR SCHOOLS

Bishop Reding Secondary 905-875-0124

Our Catholic Elementary Schools

Our Lady of Victory 905-876-4379

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)

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



### Tuesday, Dec 19, 2023

8:00 a.m. †Antonio Jr. & Roquesa Magbanua

7:00 p.m. S/I Kristian Elena; S/I Stiven; S/I Linda;  
S/I Vita

### Wednesday, Dec 20, 2023

8:00 a.m. †Barry & Christopher Thornton

7:00 p.m. †Eduardo Avenir

### Thursday, Dec 21, 2023 – St. Peter Canisius

8:00 a.m. †Belen & Steve

### Friday, Dec 22, 2023

8:00 a.m. †Yolanda McCann

### Saturday, Dec 23, 2023 – St. John of Kanty

5:00 p.m. †John O'Connell; †Dec. Memb. Murray  
Family; †Yvon Galipeau; †Antonio Azarraga

### Sanctuary Lamp – Week of Dec 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023

In Loving Memory of Maria & Filippo Rizzo

### Readings for Sunday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Romans 16.25-27

Luke 1.26-38

*“Forever I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord.”*

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### NOT REGISTERED YET?



If you attend Holy Rosary Parish regularly, but have not yet registered, please complete a Parish Registration form available in the Main Foyer of the

Church. The form is also available on the parish website at: [www.holyrosaryparish.ca/general-information.html](http://www.holyrosaryparish.ca/general-information.html). Drop off the completed form at the Parish Office or in the Sunday collection.

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

## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

### Christmas Vigil Masses

Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Masses at Holy Rosary Church  
5:00 pm, 7:00 pm and 9:00 pm



Please note that caroling takes place 30 minutes prior to each mass.

### Masses During Christmas Day

Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
9:00 am and 11:00 am

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### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023  
5:00 p.m.

Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024  
9:00 am and 11:00 am



## SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Once again, we would like to thank all of the families at Holy Rosary Parish who donated to **Saint Vincent de Paul's Christmas Program**. Your generosity has allowed us to assist over 85 families this year. You have given many families hope to move forward with their futures. You have shown them that there are still people out there who care about each other. We wish you all a Joyous Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

## 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 2023 tax year should be received by the parish office by **Monday, Dec 25<sup>th</sup>**. At this time, the parish books will be closed and all donations for 2023 will be deposited to the parish bank account. Any donations that come in after this date will be applied to the year 2024.



## 2024 CALENDARS AVAILABLE

The 2024 Catholic Missions in Canada Calendars are available for purchase in the main foyer or at the parish office for \$3. Stop by to pick up yours this week!

## CHRISTMAS OFFICE HOURS

Please note that the parish office will be closing at noon on **Friday, Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>** and will remain closed between Christmas and New Year's. Regular office hours will resume on **Tuesday, Jan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024**. General mailbox messages will be checked daily.



## DIOCESE OF HAMILTON CHRISTMAS SEASON

What better gift can we give a loved one who is away from the Church than a warm invitation to Come Home for Christmas?

Whether they have been away for a short time or a long time, we want all Catholics to know that they are warmly welcomed back to our Parish community. Please consider extending this invitation to loved ones, neighbours, and colleagues – for more information, visit:

<http://hamiltondiocese.com>

## 2024 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES



The new Offering Envelopes for 2024 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.



## DIVINE MERCY PRAYER NETWORK

Our Divine Mercy Prayer Network is comprised of many parishioners who are committed to simply pray for all our sisters and brothers in Christ who are in need of prayer. If you have any requests for prayers for the sick, special intentions, the dying, whatever the need, please email your request to [divinemercyprayernetwork@gmail.com](mailto:divinemercyprayernetwork@gmail.com) or, if you don't have a computer, call the parish office at **(905) 878-6535**.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual **Food Drive** during Advent. Non-perishable items can be dropped off at the Knights trailer in the Church parking lot before or after the weekend Masses. Cash and credit/debit card donations 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, Dec 17<sup>th</sup>**. Hope to see you there!

## WELCOME HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

We wish to take this opportunity to welcome home all of the students who are studying at various colleges and universities outside of the area. It is always joyous to see our parish youth during the Christmas season.



Please pray for the safety of these students and all who travel over the Christmas holidays. Welcome!

## REGISTER YOUR CHILD FOR KINDERGARTEN AT HCDSB

Kindergarten registration at the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) for the 2024-2025 school year is now open! Parents and guardians who are interested in registering their child for kindergarten are invited to visit:

<https://hcdsb.info/KindergartenRegistration>.

## PRAYER INTENTION FOR VOCATIONS

Please remember to especially pray for our priests:

- Dec 18 – Rev. Msgr. Theodore Slaman**
- Dec 19 – Single Catholics**
- Dec 20 – Voluntas Dei Institute**
- Dec 21 – Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino**
- Dec 22 – Rev. Ronald Hodara**
- Dec 23 – Rev. Donald Wilhelm**





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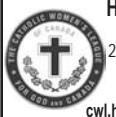


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