

Holy Rosary Parish

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prepare the way...



ADVENT



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

Christmas Vigil Masses

Tuesday, December 24th, 2019
 Masses at Holy Rosary Church
 5:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Solemn Midnight Mass

Tuesday, December 24th, 2019
 Carol Service – 11:45 p.m.
 Solemn Midnight Mass – 12:00 a.m.

Masses During Christmas Day

Wednesday, December 25th, 2019
 8:30 a.m.; 10:00 a.m.; and 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, Dec 26, 2019 – St. Stephen

8:00 a.m. No Mass

7:00 p.m. No Mass

Friday, Dec 27, 2019 – St. John

8:00 a.m. No Mass

Saturday, Dec 28, 2019 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

5:00 p.m. †Helen Borschke; †Floriberto Brilhaute;
 †Anna Galas; †Thomas & Bertha De Souza;
 †Vincenzo Crisci; †Chris Gillis; S/I Camarata
 Family & Christina; S/I Debbie & Phil
 Morrow; S/I Julia D’Costa; S/I Cynthia Harris

Sanctuary Lamp – Dec 22, 2019

In Loving Memory of Joe Deoni

Readings for Sunday, Dec 29, 2019:

Sirach 3.2-6, 12-14
 Colossians 3.12-21
 Matthew 2.13-15, 19-23

“Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord.”

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Refer to our website: www.holyrosaryparish.ca for additional events & information!

*Jesus is
 The Reason for the Season*

NEW YEAR’S MASS SCHEDULE

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Tuesday, December 31st, 2019
 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1st, 2020
 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.



**FULL DAY CONFERENCE:
 HEALING IS POSSIBLE**

We are all in need of healing from wounds caused by past experiences, relationships or wounds caused by our own sinfulness. Join us for a day filled with hope as we look at a holistic approach to healing.

Save the date: **February 1, 2020 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm** at Holy Rosary Parish.

The conference includes Mass, Lunch, and speakers such as: Tima Borges, Author of “Leaving Bitterness Behind: A Catholic Approach to Healing Past Hurts”; Dr. Wendy Hofman, Program Director at Hamilton Diocese; William Stanus, Psychotherapist with a focus on EMDR and Fr. Louis de Vaugelas, LC. To register visit: <http://regnumchristionario.org/event/healing-is-possible/> or contact Ester at 416-990-3136.



CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE

The **CWL Cookbooks** are still available for sale. Please email cwl.holyrosarymilton@gmail.com or call Mary-Lou at 905-691-5241.

**ALLENDALE NURSING HOME
 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**



We are looking for any volunteers who would like to join our seniors in Allendale to pray The Divine Mercy and Rosary at **3:00 pm** the **first Saturday** of each month. You would help gather the residents to come to our group and return them to their rooms after we are done. Please contact **Joan McNaughton @ 905-878-1613**. Thank you.



**HALTON ALIVE
 CANDY CANES FOR LIFE**

Help spread good cheer through the Halton Alive Candy Canes for Life campaign! Throughout December we will distribute 5000 postcards with a positive, life-affirming message and candy canes. Volunteers needed. Sign-up online www.haltonalive.ca/ccflvolunteers or contact Tawnya Stanus 905-632-3232.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Thank you to all who donated food for the Local Food Bank. We are grateful for your kindness and compassion as we attempt to support the needy within our community.



The Knights will continue with the **5th Sunday Rosary on Dec 29th at 7:30pm** in the Holy Rosary Chapel. The purpose of this program is to bring parishioners together in a spiritual activity and promote devotion to Mary. All are welcome!



2020 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

The new Offering Envelopes for 2020 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.

If your family member is in the hospital, please contact the Parish Office. For confidential reasons the hospital will not release names of those who are Catholic. We have faithful volunteers who go to the hospital each Sunday and throughout the week to administer Holy Communion. Our priests also offer the Sacrament of the Sick. If we do not know of your relative being in the hospital we cannot attend to their spiritual needs. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.
Sr. Kathleen

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HALTON CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD



This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB). HCDSB invites all members of our parish community to join in the celebration of our journey in faith as a Catholic education community. There are a number of events and activities planned to commemorate this milestone. For details, visit the HCDSB website at: <http://bit.ly/HCDSB50>.

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 so many of our parish youth during the Christmas season. Please pray for the safety of these students and all who travel over the Christmas holidays. Welcome!



CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR THE PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office hours during the Christmas Holidays are as follows:

Monday, December 23 rd :	8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Tuesday, December 24 th :	8:30 am to 12:00 noon
Wednesday, December 25 th :	Closed
Thursday, December 26 th :	Closed
Friday, December 27 th :	Closed
Saturday, December 28 th :	Closed
Monday, December 30 th :	8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Tuesday, December 31 st :	8:30 am to 12:00 noon
Wednesday, January 1 st :	Closed
Thursday, January 2 nd :	Regular hours resume

General Mailbox Messages will be checked daily.

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: <http://www.holyrosaryparish.ca/general-information.html>. Drop off the completed form at the Parish Office or in the Sunday collection.

PRAYER INTENTION FOR VOCATIONS

“Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.” Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Please remember to especially pray for our priests:

- Dec 23 – Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma**
- Dec 24 – Rev. James McSharry**
- Dec 25 – Christmas Day (The Nativity of the Lord)**
- Dec 26 – Rev. Martin Mikulski, S.A.C.**
- Dec 27 – Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei.**
- Dec 28 – Rev. Franjo Sprajc**

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