

# *Annunciation of Our Lord Parish*

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## **PASTORAL STAFF**

Father Malcolm Katzenberger, Pastor  
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## **PARISH STAFF**

Susan Healy, Parish Secretary  
Sr. Lucina Thanathuparampil, Office Assistant  
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Cindy Green, Parish Assistant

## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Closed from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. for lunch

## **PRAYER NETWORK**

"Never underestimate the power of prayer." - John Paul II, Miami 1987. Our parish has a dedicated group who pray for the intentions of those who seek or need help. Please contact our parish office with your prayer request.

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

To make arrangements for infant or child baptism, please complete a Baptism form located at the main church entrances AND contact the office at least six weeks in advance. Attendance at a Baptism Preparation meeting is also required.

## **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Couples wishing to be married at our Parish should contact the parish priest for an appointment. At least one year notice is required.

## **R.C.I.A.**

Considering Becoming Catholic? Please contact the Parish Office for information regarding the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the process for becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

## **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK HOLY COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS**

Holy Communion is brought regularly to the sick, elderly and shut-ins by our Ministers of Communion. A Priest will be happy to bring the Sacrament of the Sick to your home or hospital room upon request.

## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM**

At the Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 12 noon Masses (except July and August)

## **PARISH SCHOOLS**

Annunciation of Our Lord 905 388-4495  
St. Thomas More Secondary 905 388-3030

## **PARISH BEQUESTS**

Keep your Love for your Parish alive! We invite you, in your kindness, to consider remembering Annunciation of Our Lord Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, please contact the parish office @ 905.388.2078. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

## **CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES**

When death occurs in your family, please contact your Funeral Director who will coordinate with our office in making liturgical arrangements.

## **PARISH CENTRE RENTALS**

Please contact George or Josie at 905-512-9050



## **CONFESSIONS**

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.  
Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

## **MASSES**

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Our Mother of Perpetual Help Mass  
Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.  
Friday 9:30 a.m. (Mass with School Children)  
Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

## **DEVOTIONS**

1st Friday (Ex Jul & Aug) 9:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Adoration  
1st Saturday (Ex Jul & Aug) 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.  
- Pro-Life Rosary & Liturgy of the Word

## **THE ROSARY**

Join us for the Rosary, a half hour prior to each Mass

## **DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS**

Saturdays at 4:15 p.m. before the Rosary

## **PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL**

Next to receiving our Lord and Saviour in the Holy Eucharist, Jesus is calling us to regularly visit and adore Him, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed perpetually (24 hours a day) in our Adoration Chapel. Please contact the office for access instructions or to become a regularly scheduled Guardian.

## **VOCATIONS**

Do you feel called by God to His Priesthood or Religious Life? Our Diocesan Vocations Office is available to answer your questions and provide guidance. Contact the Vocation Director for Hamilton Diocese at 905-528-7988 or see the website [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca) for further information.

## **WELCOME AND REGISTRATION**

To all who worship with us today, may the Lord bless you!  
We invite you to join our faith community. Please fill in a blue registration form found at the entrances.

## **BULLETIN DEADLINE:**

Monday noon, written submissions only.

## Mass for the Intentions Week

### Monday April 3-NO MASS

Tuesday April 4 7 p.m.-*Jaime DeGuzman, Amalia Samonte, Deceased members of the Fernando & Britto Families, Special intentions of Troy Vaz, Albert Zoro, Special intentions of the Romaniw Family, Malachy Donohue, McCafferty Charles, Nicola Ciarmili*

Wednesday April 5 -9:00 a.m.-*Agustina Ravarra*

Thursday April 6- 9:00 a.m.- *Giovanni & Maria Cinelli*

First Friday April 7- 9:30 a.m.-*Domenica Maniccia & Elvira Nato*

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS -7 p.m.

Saturday April 8-5:00 P.M.-*Rosina Runco, Bernard Columbus, Special intentions of the Camilleri Family, Florindo Gabriele, For the Holy Souls in Purgatory, Luigi Passaretti, Carmela Mule, Fernando Bonaventura, Imerio Mattiuz*

### Passion Sunday April 9

9:00 a.m. – *Pro Populo*

10:30 a.m. – *Antonio Agresta*

12:00 p.m. – *Michael Chiarelli*

### PRAY TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The two blue candles by Our Mother of Perpetual Help can be lit for your intention (\$5 each). The shrine is located by our Blessed Tabernacle. We encourage all of our parishioners to take a moment and offer a prayer for these intentions:

*Special intentions of Troy Vaz*

### Diocesan Prayer Calendar

|                   |                                |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Monday:</b>    | Rev. Ranjan D'Sa               |
| <b>Tuesday:</b>   | Rev. David Reitzel             |
| <b>Wednesday:</b> | Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate |
| <b>Thursday:</b>  | Rev. Mark Gatto                |
| <b>Friday:</b>    | Rev. Fernando Pinto            |
| <b>Saturday:</b>  | Rev Emmanuel Ogboli            |

### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY



Isaiah 50.4-7

Philippians 2.6-11

Matthew 26.14-27.66

***"Blessed are you who have come in your abundant mercy!"***

### OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

### Sunday Offerings

March 19<sup>th</sup> \$7,035.75  
Building Fund \$120.00

*Thank you for your support!*

### SHARE LENT



CANADIAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR

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### Solidarity Sunday!

Thank you for your generosity! Each donation is used to help our sisters and brothers all over the world — from Paraguay to Syria, to Indonesia and beyond! We conclude this Share Lent with the words of Pope Francis, offered on the occasion of the Jubilee of Mercy: "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope." Thank you for helping us create a future filled with hope! Did you know that in 1992, Rigoberta Menchú, a friend of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, received the Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of her work defending the rights of Indigenous peoples? To learn more about this inspiring woman, visit [devp.org/insp-women#rigoberta](http://devp.org/insp-women#rigoberta).

### MASS OF CHRISM

Bishop Crosby will celebrate the annual Mass of Chrism on Monday, April 10th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton.

### DIOCESAN CHOIR

The Diocesan Choir is seeking new members – the ability to read music and previous choral experience is an asset. The choir rehearses weekly on Monday evenings in Hamilton in preparation for major liturgies at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. If you are interested in singing in this choir, contact Sharan Fazari at [sfazari@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:sfazari@hamiltondiocese.com).

### HAMILTON VOCATIONS

#### Fifth Sunday of Lent

"Did I not tell you that if you believed you would see the glory of God?" Do you believe that your plan is God's plan? If God is calling you to serve him as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, please contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988.

## DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

On Sunday, June 25, 2017, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. The Mass is for couples celebrating an anniversary between **January and December, 2017** for 25,40,50,60 or 60 plus years in the year 2017. (Space allows room for anniversary couples only- those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required.) To participate in the celebration, please refer to the poster in the Narthex or register online at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DINNER/DANCE



The Hamilton Particular Council of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invites you to join them at their 12<sup>th</sup> annual dinner/dance and silent auction on Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at Michelangelo's Banquet Centre. There will be a five course dinner and the cost is \$45 per person. There will be a number of interesting items on the silent auction table as well as numerous door prizes. The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is the longest serving organization that have helped the poor in the City of Hamilton since 1865. For tickets, please call Sharon @ 905-547-6383 or Jim@905-541-6100  
Doors open at 6 pm.

## Save the Date!



There will be a **Conquest and Challenge Youth Club SUMMER DAY CAMP** at St. Therese of Lisieux school from July 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017 inclusive. Details will follow at a later date.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Ladies of the CWL please be reminded of our upcoming meeting on Thursday April 06 at 7 pm. In keeping with the Lenten season, we will have a presentation by our spiritual chairperson. As well, we will have Claire Rodger, owner and operator of Gardening Angel in Toronto, coming to inspire and answer your gardening questions. All ladies of the parish are welcome!

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING CONFERENCE

Pornography continues to be a growing crisis in our society and the link to human trafficking has been documented. The Waterdown Stop Human Trafficking Committee is hosting their annual conference on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 9 – 1 pm. Their speakers, Michelle Brock and Glendyne Gerrard, will offer practical ways for all to respond to this crisis. You will also have a chance to view a powerful documentary on the impact of pornography titled Over 18. The conference is being held at Notre Dame Centre, Emmaus Room, 1921 Snake Road, Burlington. To register call 289-813-0703, or e-mail [stophumantraffickingwaterdown@gmail.com](mailto:stophumantraffickingwaterdown@gmail.com); cost is \$10 per adult to be paid at the door.

## CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

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## EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORIAM



Once again this year we will have Easter Flowers available for a donation of \$35.00 in memory of your deceased friends or family, or on behalf of you and your family. Cards will be placed with the Easter Flower acknowledging your donation. If you are interested, please fill out the form below and drop it off to the parish office with your donation on or before April 12<sup>th</sup>.

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## FROM THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

Families are kindly reminded to remove all wreaths on stands and other winter decorations from their lots by April 1st to facilitate the Spring clean-up. Any wreaths and decorations remaining after April 1st will be removed and discarded. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

### *Annunciation of Our Lord Parish Youth Ministry*

#### *Conquest and Challenge Club*

*"Amen, I say to you. Whatever you do to the least brothers of mine, you did it for me"*

**Conquest** is a club for boys designed to instill virtue, develop character and encourage spiritual growth, while offering its participants challenging physical, intellectual and spiritual activities.

**Challenge** is a club for girls to grow in virtue, friendship and their Catholic faith. Both clubs are currently operating in over 150 parishes and schools in US and Canada with over 3,500 members, 200 volunteers and 500 teen leaders. Please do prayerfully consider having your boy or girl attend these programs. They will not regret it!

**Place:** St. Therese of Lisieux  
1760 Garth St., Hamilton, ON

**Participants:** Boys (Conquest) and Girls (Challenge)  
Grades 4-8 (Mom & Dad are welcome!)

**For more info:** Mrs. Tess Perez 905-388-2078 x 201



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