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Feast of the Holy Family

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week



IN OUR PARISH

Monday December 28– No Mass

Tuesday December 29–Mass Canceled- *For the Holy Souls in Purgatory, Arnold and Rita Eccles*

Wednesday December 30–Mass Canceled- *Vincenzo Di Donato*

NEW YEAR'S EVE–Mass Canceled -Mass Canceled-
Ettore & Benita Tavani

MARY THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD– Jan 1st
Mass Canceled

Saturday January 2–Mass Canceled–*Paul Henderson, Dennis Roque & deceased family members, Antonio Di Cosmo, Isabel, Alejandra & Florenzio Bernardo, Alice, Mirth, Eamon Kevin & Noel Ryan, Maureen Ryan, Salvatore Ventresca, Deceased family members of the Silvestri Family, Michele Russo*

Sunday January 3–Mass Canceled

**ALL MASSES ARE CANCELED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE FROM THE
DIOCESE OF HAMILTON**

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 our parishioners to take a moment and offer a prayer for these intentions:

In loving memory of Giuseppe & Filomena D'Agata, From your daughter Giuseppina

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	Rev. Joseph Michel
Tuesday:	Rev. Kiwook Kim
Wednesday	Congregation of the Srs. Of St. Anne
Thursday:	Rev. Arpee Urquico
Friday:	Rev. Pawel Jamroz
Saturday:	Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY



Isaiah 60.1-6
Ephesians 3.2-3a, 5-6
Matthew 2.1-12

“They knelt down and paid him homage.”

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Regular Sunday November 22, \$3,470.00
Building Fund-\$160.00
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FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you, please contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

A WALK THROUGH FRATELLI TUTTI

'Fratelli Tutti': With these words, Saint Francis of Assisi addressed his brothers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel. In his simple and direct way, Saint Francis expressed the essence of fraternal openness that allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person, regardless of physical proximity, regardless of where he or she was born or lives." (FT#1) These are the opening words from Pope Francis in his latest encyclical, On Fraternity and Social Friendship. Join us on Wednesday, January 27th for a 90 minute Zoom webinar to walk through of this beautiful document. Written by Pope Francis to "all people of good will." Presented by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of the Family Ministry Office - register online at www.hamiltondiocese.com or by calling 905-528-7988 ext. 2249

ANNIVERSARY MASS

The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to restrictions and concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years Anniversary starting in January on the Diocesan website. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass.

THE ONE HEART ONE SOUL CAMPAIGN

continues to receive donations from parishioners who want to support their Parishes and Diocese. As the second wave reaches 75% of its goal, the third wave is gearing up to begin in the New Year. Even in the middle of a pandemic, we are grateful for the enthusiasm and generosity the campaign has engendered in our Parishes.

27 DECEMBER 2020

BISHOP OF HAMILTON

Dear friends,

Christmas 2020

As the Christmas feasts begin, I am pleased to send you greetings in the form of an excerpt from the 2019 Christmas homily of Pope Francis:

"A charming legend relates that at the birth of Jesus the shepherds hurried to the stable with different gifts. Each brought what he had; some brought the fruits of their labour, others some precious item. But as they were all presenting their gifts, there was one shepherd who had nothing to give. He was extremely poor; he had no gift to present. As the others were competing to offer their gifts, he stood apart, embarrassed. At a certain point, Saint Joseph and Our Lady found it hard to receive all those gifts, especially Mary, who had to hold the baby. Seeing the shepherd with empty hands, she asked him to draw near, and she put the baby Jesus in his arms. That shepherd, in accepting him, became aware of having received what he did not deserve, of holding in his arms the greatest gift of all time. He looked at his hands, those hands that seemed to him always empty. They had become the cradle of God. He felt himself loved and, overcoming his embarrassment, began to show Jesus to the others, for he could not keep for himself the Gift of gifts. ... Dear brother, dear sister, if your hands seem empty, if you think your heart is poor in love, this night is for you. The grace of God has appeared, to shine forth in your life. Accept it and the light of Christmas will shine forth in you!"

Christmas is God who comes to us! Christmas saves us, lifts us up, fills us, and frees us! During this time of profound fear and suffering, I wish you the experience of light, life and love!

Merry Christmas!

+ Douglas Crosby, OMI

(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI
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Jesus | Trust in You!

Immediately after these words & without any further explanation, Sister Faustina records this unexpected request of Our Lord:
At three o'clock, implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony. This is the hour of great mercy for the whole world. In this hour, I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion. (1320)
O Blood & Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust you. (I, 35)



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