

# Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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## PASTORAL STAFF

Father Don Wilhelm, Pastor

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Mrs. Tess Perez, Pastoral Associate/Youth Minister

## PARISH STAFF

Susan Healy, Parish Secretary

Sr. Lucina, C.S.J.B., Office Assistant

Peter Gibbs, Custodian

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's 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.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

Please call the office at 905-388-2078 for access.

## 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 February 19-NO MASS**

**Tuesday February 20-7 P.M.** -*Gaspare Cino, Chiarina Siciliano, Alicia & Bernard Flanigan, Gino Chiaravalle, Special intentions of Shirley & Erika Britto*

**Wednesday, February 21-9:00 A.M.** – *Eugene Bortolanza,*

**Thursday February 22-9:00 A.M.** – *Ida Turcatto*

**Friday February 23- 9:30 A.M.** – *Dino & Anna DiDonato*

**7:00 PM – STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**Saturday February 24-5:00 P.M.** –*Pierino Ionni, Gasparino Cino, Anna Maria Caselli, Joe Menegon, Pietro Ionni*

**Sunday February 25**

**9:00 a.m.** – *Pro Populo*

**10:30 a.m.** –*Pro Populo*

**12:00 p.m.** – *Pro Populo*

**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:

*For the Holy Souls in Purgatory*

**Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

**Monday:** Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.  
**Tuesday:** Rev. Alessandro Tirelli C.R.S.P.  
**Wednesday:** Salesians of Don Bosco (S.D.B.)  
**Thursday:** Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.  
**Friday:** Rev. David Avila  
**Saturday:** Rev. Tim Hingston

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**



Genesis 22.1-2, 9-13, 15-18  
 Romans 8.31b-35, 37  
 Mark 9.2-10

***“There appeared to them Elijah & Moses, who were talking with Jesus”***

**OFFERINGS**

**Sunday Offerings**



IN OUR PARISH

**Sunday January 21<sup>st</sup> \$6,483.40**  
*Thank you for your support!*

**FAMILY DAY**

The Parish Office is closed on Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup> for Family day. We hope everyone will have a blessed and safe long weekend!

**CATHOLIC WOMEN`S LEAGUE NEWS**

Thank you to all who came out to join us in the installation of our new CWL executive on Tuesday, Feb 6. Our **2018 March Retreat** will be run in conjunction with the **Knights of Columbus** on **Thursday March 1 at 7 pm** in the Parish Centre. All members of the congregation are invited to join in this Family Retreat. We are fortunate to have Teresa Hartnett (Family Ministry, Hamilton Diocese) as our facilitator for this evening. There is no cost for this event. Ladies of the parish interested in joining the CWL, please contact Claudia at 905-575-5379.

**PRESENTED BY THE CWL AND THE K.O.C...**

**“Over 18”** is a powerful documentary by a young Canadian filmmaker, Jared Brock, about the growing epidemic of heavy porn exposure, especially in children and youth. It discusses the prevalence and accessibility of online porn as well as effects such as addiction and the damage porn use can cause including objectification and abuse of women and children. “Over 18” goes further and proposes lobbying the Canadian government to develop legislation to help protect our children online and provide an easy and effective way for parents and caregivers to prevent them from being exposed to pornography. Join us Tuesday Feb 20 at 7 pm in our Parish Centre to watch this powerful and educational documentary. Discussion will be facilitated by Teresa Harnett (Director of Family Ministry, Diocese of Hamilton). Donations of Toiletries for Teens will be gratefully accepted for Notre Dame House (Good Shepherd).

**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT-FEBRUARY 18, 2018**

Lent: the springtime of the soul...is a time to make a new covenant with God, develop new signs of our relationship with our Creator. Go into your own desert and discover what God is asking of you. If you think God could be calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, call **Contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 x2246**

## ITS BACK!!



On April 25 we will be hosting a **SPAGHETTI SUPPER!** Bring your family, friends and neighbours and enjoy a delicious homemade spaghetti and meatballs supper prepared by our chef Andy Romano. If anyone is interested in helping out please call George or Josie at [905 512 9050](tel:9055129050). Thank you for your support!!

## DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60<sup>th</sup>, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2017? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, June 10, 2018** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Please refer to the poster in the Narthex of the church for information on how to register for the celebration, or go to [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

## PERSONS SEPARATED AND DIVORCED

LEARNING TO COPE (Level 1) is a ten week support program starting Tuesday, March 6 (7:00 pm to 9:30 pm), at the Chancery Office, 700 King St. W, Hamilton. The program is for persons experiencing difficulties as a result of a separation or divorce. For more information or to register, please contact the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988, ext. 2249, or register on line at [www.hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php). Cost is: \$35.00. Past participants are welcome to inquire about further Levels programs (Level 2, 3 & 4) starting the same week. Please pass this information on to anyone you know who may be helped by this program.

## RETRouvaille

**Stress in Your Marriage?** – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Most couples don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Retrouvaille can help. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend **March 16, 2018**, please call **905-664-5212** or email: [hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca](mailto:hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca) or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

## DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE-



## *Share Lent in the name of peace!*

For this year's Share Lent, Development and Peace is encouraging us to come together for peace! You will find inspiring testimonials in the Mini-magazine which is inserted into today's bulletin. During this first week, our search for peace takes us to Cambodia to meet ICSO, a Development and Peace partner that works with minority Indigenous communities to help them have their rights recognized by the government, defend their land against corporate interests, and develop sustainable economic activities that enable them to live with dignity.

## INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

The 2017 income tax receipts are available for pick up in the hall next to the Parish Centre. Also, there are several boxes of offertory envelopes still not picked up.

### *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 (Boys Club) AND CHALLENGE (Girls Club)**  
<http://annunciationparish.wix.com/challengeandconquest>

#### **Registration for 2017-2018 CONQUEST AND CHALLENGE Club is now open!**

We are very happy to announce that registration for 2017-2018 is now open. We will be offering the program, twice a month on Tuesdays from 6-8pm, from September 2017 to May 2018. The cost is \$60.00. This program is open to any boys and girls from Grades 4-8. We hope to see you all back! Please pick up your registration form at the parish office or at the Narthex of the church or by calling Mrs. Tess Perez at 905.388.2078 Ext 201 for more information.

***If your child is entering Grade 9 next year, they may consider coming back as a leader, gaining volunteer hours, leadership skills and faith formation!***

**Place:** Annunciation of Our Lord School  
250 Limeridge Rd W. Hamilton

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



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