

# *Annunciation of Our Lord Parish*

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## PARISH STAFF

Fr. Paul Edmondstone, Pastor  
Susan Healy, Parish Secretary  
Peter Gibbs, Custodian

## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

## 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 or speak to Fr. Paul after mass 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

Sunday 11:30 a.m. (except July and August)

## PARISH SCHOOLS

|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Annunciation of Our Lord  | 905 388-4495 |
| St. Therese of Lisieux    | 905-523-2335 |
| 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

Please contact the parish and arrange the day and time before your appointment with the Funeral Home.

## PARISH CENTRE RENTALS

Please contact George or Josie at 905-512-9050



## CONFESSIONS

|          |                                       |
|----------|---------------------------------------|
| Tuesday  | 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.                 |
| Saturday | 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.<br>or by appointment |

## MASSES

|                    |                        |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Tuesday            | 7:00 p.m.              |
| Wednesday - Friday | 9:00 a.m.              |
| Saturday           | 5:00 p.m.              |
| Sunday             | 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. |

First Saturday Mass 9:00 a.m. - Confessions 8:15 - 8:45 a.m.

## PERPETUAL ADORATION IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every First Friday of the month 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

## 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 January 23-** No Mass  
**Tuesday January 24-7pm-**No Mass  
**Wednesday January 25-9am-**No Mass  
**Thursday January 26-9am-**No Mass  
**Friday January 27-9:00am** -No Mass  
**Saturday January 28- 5 pm-**Dennis Roque & deceased family members, Vincenzo Fanara, Alex MacDonald, Danny MacDonald, Francesca Mattaliano, Gaetano Marini, Eulalia Cappelletti, Francesco Manzella, Vittoria Gallo, Deceased members of the Monti Family  
**Sunday January 29**  
**9:30 am-**Pro Populo  
**11:30 am-**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 our parishioners to take a moment and offer a prayer for these intentions:

*Special intentions of Phil D'Amico*

**Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

**Monday:** Rev. Francisco Sordo  
**Tuesday:** Rev. Peter Nwachukwu, O.C.D.  
**Wednesday** Carmelites of Mary Immaculate  
**Thursday:** Rev. Paul Mathew Vellimoozhayil  
**Friday:** Rev. Mariusz Durbajlo  
**Saturday:** St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

*God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.*

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**



**Zephaniah 2.3; 3.12-13**  
**1 Corinthians 1.26-31**  
**Matthew 5.1-12**

*"Your reward is great in heaven"*

**SUNDAY OFFERINGS**



IN OUR PARISH

**SUNDAY January 1<sup>st</sup> - New Year's Day**

**Regular Sunday Offerings \$5,288.40**  
**New year's Day \$2,396.00**  
**Christmas \$275.00**

**Thank you for your support!**

**VACATION**



Fr. Paul will be away on vacation from Monday, January 23 until Friday February 3. There will be no daily Masses or First Friday Adoration. There will be First Saturday Mass on Saturday, February 4. There are local priests on call for any emergencies.

You can contact the office should anything arise. We welcome Father Michael King next weekend to preside and preach at all the Masses!

**A FEW FRIENDLY REMINDERS....**

Just a few reminders to help our parish worship God as a community a little bit more easily.

- Please ensure you double check that you aren't leaving any belongings in the pew. Also, please try not to leave bulletins or other devotionals in the pews, especially on Sundays.
- Before Mass begins, please silence, or turn off your cell phone.
- Please try to come on time or even better, come early. If you arrive just as the procession is beginning, please do not try to sneak into a pew in the middle aisle just behind Father. Either go down one of the side aisles or wait until the procession gets to the front.
- Please do not leave before Father gets to the back of the church at the end of Mass and ideally, please wait until the choir has finished the final hymn.

Thank you for your attention to these and for helping us worship well here at Annunciation!

## HAMILTON SERRA CLUB

In addition to his duties as Pastor, Fr. Paul has recently been asked to be the Chaplain of the Hamilton Serra Club. As a result, the members of the Serra Club will join us for Mass on the third Tuesday of each month and then meet in the parish centre afterwards. The Serra Club exists to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious and to provide spiritual nourishment for its members. We welcome the Serra Club to Annunciation of Our Lord! If you wish to learn more about becoming a Serran, please speak to Fr. Paul.

## ANNUNCIATION YOUTH GROUP

The Annunciation Youth Group is making it's return! Youth from grade 7 to grade 12 are invited to come after the 11:30 am Mass until 2:00 pm, once a month for food, games, and to learn more about our faith. If you're interested in joining or learning more, click on the Youth Group link on our parish website!

## 2022 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

Thank you to all for your generous support to Annunciation of Our Lord Parish! We truly appreciate all of our parishioners' donations. Please be aware that we give income tax receipts over 25.00. If you would like a receipt for under 25.00 dollars, please call the parish office and inform us.

## SACRAMENT SERIES

Almost every part of our lives has been impacted by the pandemic and related restrictions. As we all know, the Church and our faith life have been no exception to this. Unfortunately, one of the harder hit areas of our faith has been the celebration of the sacraments, as every single one has been impacted by the pandemic and restrictions. To that end, as we are coming out of these restrictions, it might be good to take a look at each sacrament, its history, theology, and how it is celebrated today. We will have one sacrament per month starting in October. See the dates below:

**Thurs, Feb. 9, 7:00- Anointing of the sick**

**Thursday, March 9, 7:00- Holy Orders**

**Thursday, April 13-7:00- Holy Matrimony**

## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother, sister or a consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, please contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email: [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

[www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations)

## RESTART PROGRAM

**RESTART:** Refresh, Renew, Revive- A gathering for separated and divorced individuals offering learning, support and fun! This program offers continual support and insights for people on their journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join us on the second and third Friday of each month from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. Either in person or via ZOOM. No registration is required. For the ZOOM link please contact Sarah at [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com).

## EVENINGS WITH HIS EXCELLENCY

Auxiliary Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency." An opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month from 7:00-8:30pm at St. Ann Parish in Ancaster. It is also available on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith! All are welcome!

## DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (space allows room for Anniversary couples only-those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if your require assistance.) Registration will be available in early January at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

## STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION?

Your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help – you can heal from the pain. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. **Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.** Your call is important to us.

## CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

Catholic Family Services provides confidential:

- Individual, Couple & Family Counseling
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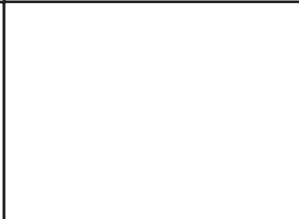
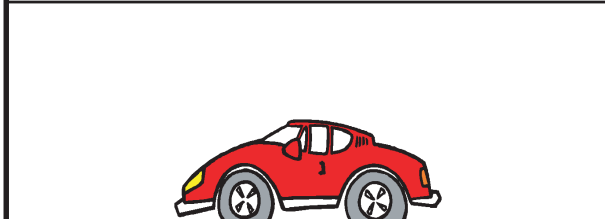
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