

Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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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 years 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 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 8-NO MASS

Tuesday January 9-7 P.M.- Angelo Oddi, Richetto Tudico, Antonio Vacca, John Lepore, Patrick Noon, & Special intentions of the Britto & Dias Families

Wednesday January 10 -9:00 A.M.-Primavera Bambino & Family

Thursday January 11-9:00 A.M.-Gino DiFonte

Friday January 12- 9:30 A.M.-Marino Bugiardini

Saturday January 13-5:00 p.m.-Michael Chiarelli, George & Clare Winn, Tim McLaughlin, Deceased members of the Bondan & Giordano families, Sr. Teresina Morreale, Deceased members of the Capuno & Capitolo Families

Sunday January 14

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:

In thanksgiving for 80 years of blessings, from family, friends and community from Eleanor Rodney

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

- Monday:** Baptism of Our Lord
- Tuesday:** Rev. George Nowak, C.R.
- Wednesday:** Consecrated Men & Women
- Thursday:** Rev. Pawel Szymanowski, C.R.
- Friday:** Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R.
- Saturday:** Rev. Brendan McGrath

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY



- 1 Samuel 3.3b-10, 19
- 1 Corinthians 6.13c-15a, 17-20
- John 1.35-42

“Look, here is the Lamb of God!”

OFFERINGS

Sunday Offerings



IN OUR PARISH

Sunday December 17th \$7,936.45

Thank you for your support!

CWL News



Please note that there will be NO January meeting. Ladies of the parish interested in joining the CWL, please contact Claudia at 905-575-5379.

“Out of the Chill” Chili Dinner

The CWL will be serving up our annual Chili dinner after mass on Saturday, January 20. Tickets will be on sale after masses for 3 weekends only: Dec 16-17, Jan 6-7 and Jan 13-14. Dinner will include 2 types of chili (meat or veg), buns, coleslaw, and dessert for \$8 (adults) and \$5 (children 5-12).

2018 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

There are still some offering envelopes remaining in the Parish Centre hall.

FORMED - 'Catholic Netflix'

How to register for free:

- 1) Go to formed.org
- 2) Click "Register"
- 3) type in your Parish Code (Z7DFT8) and email then click "GO"
- 4) Fill in your name, address and create a password (at least 6 characters)
- 5) check box and click "SUBMIT"
- 6) Go to your email and click the link to activate your account. Just LOGIN any time you return to formed.org with your email and password you created.

PROJECT RACHEL

Project Rachel is a ministry of healing for any person suffering pain or problems from an abortion experience. This **confidential** service allows people to work through their feelings and find hope and healing. Please contact us at 905.526.1999 or toll free, at 1.888.385.3850.

EPIPHANY

The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the Magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is present to the world through His Church. If you think that God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 x2246 vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

MULTI CULTURAL MASS

The Diocese of Hamilton will be hosting our annual Multicultural Mass on **Sunday, January 21, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.** at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. This is sure to be a beautiful celebration. All are welcome to join us for the Mass and the social event which will take place in McNally Hall after the celebration. There will be performances by various ethnic groups, as well as a chance to sample some delicious foods from around the world.

2017 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

We would like to say thank you to everyone who has financially contributed to support the upkeep and running of our parish during this past year. We truly appreciate ALL donations regardless of the amount. Income tax receipts will be issued to everyone who gave more than \$25.00 for the year. If you gave less than \$25.00 for 2017 and desire an income tax receipt please call the parish office and we will provide you with a receipt.

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PORNOGRAPHY ADDICTION AMONG CHILDREN AND TEENS...IT'S TIME TO TALK

Pornography is impacting children and teens at rates never before seen. By the age of 18, 90% of young people have viewed pornography on the internet, far too many are watching these violent and degrading images regularly; many are becoming addicted. Come and learn more about the issue, its impact on our children and how you can protect your children, grandchildren, students and all children. Over 18 is a documentary that looks factually at the issue. To find Parishes and dates where you can see this informative piece, go to www.hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/pornography-help. For more information contact Teresa Hartnett (Director of Family Ministry) at 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

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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