

# 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  
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.

## 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 March 27-NO MASS

**Tuesday March 28– 7 p.m.**-Peter Faccio (20 yrs), John, Hanna & Thomas Hamill, Deceased members of the Noronha & Rodrigues Families, Detta Brennan, Special intentions of Paul & Emile Gulien, Kathleen & Michael Romaniw, Keith Verissimo, Special intentions of the Giacomelli Family, Barbara Ciaramella

**Wednesday March 29 -9:00 a.m.**-Special intentions of Johnny

**Thursday March 30– 9:00 a.m.**-Chris Tomkins

**First Friday March 31 – 9:30 a.m.**-Keith Wood

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

**First Saturday April 1-5:00 P.M.**-Nicola Dirisio, Bernard Columbus, Ruchi Fisher, Nick & Michael Greco, Deceased members of the Iammarino Family, Stefano & Luciano Alaimo, Paul Cannamela, Carmelina Mule, Special intentions of Rev. Malcolm Katzenberger

### Sunday April 2

**9:00 a.m.** – Anna Oddi

**10:30 a.m.** – Ray Mariutti

**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:

*Special intentions to St. Joseph  
In loving memory of Giuseppe & Filomena D'Agata  
from your daughter Giuseppina*

### **Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

<b>Monday:</b>	Rev. Peter Watters
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Rev. Czeslaw Kolasa, S.A.C.
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Chaplains
<b>Thursday:</b>	Rev. Frank Ruzza, C.R.S.P.
<b>Friday:</b>	Rev. Alessandro Tirelli, C.R.S.P.
<b>Saturday:</b>	Rev Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.

### **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**



Ezekiel 37.12-14  
Romans 8.8-11  
John 11.1-45

*"The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound"*

### OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

### **Sunday Offerings**

**March 12<sup>th</sup> \$6,983.50**  
**Building Fund \$903.00**

*Thank you for your support!*

### **SHARE LENT**



CANADIAN CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION FOR  
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Women are creating a future filled with hope in Syria!

This week, open your heart to the reality of women living in a country at war. Thanks to your support during Share Lent this year, 280 Syrians will have access to an 11-week training course in sewing and psychosocial services! Next week is Solidarity Sunday and the Share Lent collection will take place. Please, be generous!

### **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).

### **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.

### **HAMILTON VOCATIONS**

#### Fourth Sunday of Lent

"We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day" Are you being called to a life as an ordained or a consecrated person? 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 at 905-528-7988 email [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com)  
[www.hamiltonvocations.com](http://www.hamiltonvocations.com)

### 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)

### BIRTHRIGHT HAMILTON

Giving hope at Birthright means finding a way to bridge the gap between the fear people feel when they face an unplanned pregnancy and the hope they find when their needs have been met. Offering free pregnancy tests, counseling and many other services, we help those facing a pregnancy say "yes" to life. Can you help us reach out to them in their time of need by becoming a volunteer? If so, please call Birthright at 905 527-3677 and ask for Eva.

### 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.

### 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!

### FROM THE DIOCESE....

Observing Lent as a couple is an excellent way to deepen both your spiritual and marital bond. Talk about each of your Lenten resolutions and then assist each other to achieve it. Challenge each other to keep to your resolve, pray for each other on your 40 day journey, and take up activities as a couple that will deepen your faith. Take the three Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving into your relationship and journey the path together. Consider 40 acts of kindness toward each other for the 40 days of Lent. When you focus on achieving goals together, it strengthens your relationship bond as a couple and with God – a win-win Lenten season.

(From: Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250)

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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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