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## OFFICE HOURS

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Tuesday-Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 12 noon, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Friday Closed

## WEEKEND LITURGY

Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

## WEEKDAY LITURGY

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.  
Saturday 11:30 a.m. - 12 noon, and by appointment

## OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS

Tuesday evening Mass

## SACRED HEART DEVOTION

First Friday of every month at 8:30 a.m.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT EVERY FRIDAY AFTER 9 AM MASS - 12 NOON**

## BAPTISMS

Please take a baptism package from the tables in the church entrances.

## MARRIAGES

Please contact the Pastor at least nine months in advance.

## PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

For more information or assistance contact our parish priest(s) or see [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca)

## MINISTRY TO SICK/SHUT-INS

Please notify the Rectory Office and arrange Communion.

## CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family please advise the priest immediately and they will assist you in making the liturgical arrangements. For information on Catholic burial, contact the cemetery office at (905) 522-7727 or 1-800-661-5985.

## NEW PARISHIONERS

We invite you to take the time to complete a census form, located at all doors of the church. Please drop it into the collection basket.

## BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All bulletin announcements MUST be received by the parish office no later than Monday at 3:30 p.m. to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday Bulletin.



# Mass Intentions

*“Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.”*

- 1 Cor.15:20,21a

Monday November 27

Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Luke 21:1-4 – No Mass

Tuesday November 28

Daniel 2:3, 9a, 10a, 27a, 31-45++; Luke 21:5-11

7 PM – Intentions of Mary Thompson

Wednesday November 29

Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Luke 21:12-19

9 AM – Dan Savelli

Thursday November 30 – St. Andrew

Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22

9 AM – John MacDougall

Friday December 1

Daniel 7:1-14++; Luke 21:29-33

9 AM – John Ustick

Saturday December 2

Daniel 7:15-27; Luke 21:34-36

5 PM – Doris Vella

Sunday December 3 – 1st Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 63:16b-17, 64:1, 3-8; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

9 AM – Pro Populo

11 AM – Cologera & Eduardo Scime



Our Parish

Monday November 27

Emotions Anonymous Meeting – 7 PM – WR

Tuesday November 28

CWL Craft Group – 10 AM – Hall

Wednesday November 29

Legion of Mary – 9:30 AM – WR

Women's AA Group – 6:15 PM – Hall

Thursday November 30

Cenacle Group – 9:30 AM – WR

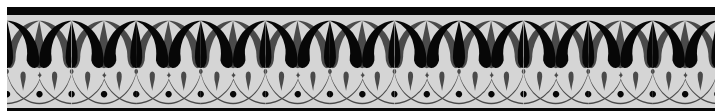
Christian Meditation – 12:30 PM – WR

1st Reconciliation – 1:15 PM – Church

Choir Practice – 7:30 PM – Church

Friday December 1

AA Meeting – 9 PM – Hall



## C.W.L. Message

Please mark Wednesday, December 6 on your calendar as our C.W.L. is hosting an **Advent Morning of Reflection**, facilitated by Father Bob Sims from 9 a.m. to noon. All women of the parish and beyond are invited to attend and bring a friend. Registration forms are at all the church doors. The morning will begin with Mass at 9, followed by Fr. Bob's talk, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Reconciliation and closes at noon with Benediction. For information, phone Marie at 905-637-1677.

### Join our three-week parish-wide Advent Experience: ANIMA.

We are all longing for a sense of greater meaning in our lives. Discover through FORMED, an inspiring account of how God's plan for the world gives each of us great dignity and purpose. This 3-week series will instigate further meditation on how you can respond to Christ's sacrifice and continue carrying out his mission in his Church.

#### Week 1 – Crux (Film One)

On Thursday, November 30, explore the most fundamental questions of the human heart. Come to either our afternoon session at 2 p.m. or in the evening at 7 p.m., both in the parish hall.

### Children's Liturgy Announcements

A brand new communication email is now available; [childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com](mailto:childrensliturgystjohns@gmail.com). We welcome children from JK to grade 4 on Sundays during the 11 a.m. Mass. Email with any questions. **Please stay** on Sunday, November 26 following the 11 a.m. Mass for a Family Advent Celebration with crafts and goodies for the children and their parents.

*Leslie Newton Polci, Music Director, Father Bob and Deacon Rob would like to thank everyone involved in the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary concert and reception. Whether singing, playing, baking, serving or cleaning up – thank you all for your time and commitment.*

**SINGERS NEEDED** for Christmas Eve Masses, especially at 5 and 7 p.m. Children/youth and adults welcome! Can you help out? Please visit Leslie in the loft after Mass for details.



*The following children were baptized  
on Sunday, November 19, 2017:*

***Evelyn Mangialardo, Lennix Parenti  
and Laikyn Tilley***

*Congratulations to their parents,  
Godparents and families.*

The Knights of Columbus council #5073 is holding their **Annual Turkey Roll** on Friday, December 8 from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at the Columbus Hall, 2400 Industrial St. It will be a fun evening for everyone with a chance to win some great prizes including a turkey or ham. Admission is free (doors open at 6 p.m.). For more information contact Michael Mark at [kofc5073.turkeyroll@gmail.com](mailto:kofc5073.turkeyroll@gmail.com).

As an extension of St. John's Bazaar, you still have time to register for a family portrait. Professional 8x10 portraits are just \$20 and sitting times are Nov. 30 or Dec. 7, 6 - 9 p.m. Sign up after each Mass. Makes a great Christmas gift for grandparents, etc.

Also, still a chance to pre-order Christmas plants after each Mass for delivery on Dec. 2. Poinsettias, Cyclamen, Mini Cypress or Rosemary trees of different sizes and colours are available.

### **2018 Catholic Mission Calendars**

**Catholic Missions calendars** are available to purchase for only \$3 each. These calendars, full of inspirational artwork, are available at the church entrance near Brant Street for as long as the supply lasts. Please leave your payment in the literature envelopes that are provided.

### **Sunday Missals Available**

You may also purchase a **Sunday Missal** – they are provided at the entrances of the church for as long as the limited supply lasts. The cost will be \$3 which covers our cost. Please do not remove Missals from the pews. Kindly leave your payment in the literature envelopes provided.

## **IN THE DIOCESE**

### **PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENTS**

Programs are available for **children** from Kindergarten through high school who are not currently receiving religious instruction (i.e. in a public or private school). These instructions prepare your child for the reception of the sacraments of **First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation**. Visit [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or phone Monica at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238.

### **Project Rachel**

Healing after an abortion is possible. Project Rachel offers a *confidential* service allowing people to work through their feelings after an abortion and to find hope and healing. Phone 905-526-1999.

### **Coping with the Holidays when you have lost a loved one**

Join us for reflection and strategies for coping at Christmas after the loss of a loved one. Come to the Chancery Office, 700 King. St. W., Hamilton. This free event takes place on Sunday, December 3 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Kindly reserve a seat at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249 (non-registered participants are welcome).

## **IN THE COMMUNITY**

Catholic Singles Formal Christmas Dinner & Dance for Catholic singles only from 19-99 years, Saturday, December 9, 7:30 to 11:45 p.m. at a Toronto Church Hall. Reserve your ticket now before November 25 deadline. Cost is \$45 plus a cash bar. No tickets at the door. Phone organizer, Barb at 647-207-3162.

### **Vocation View**

*The Church year ends today. We can proclaim Christ as King because we sense our vocation as being members of Christ's Royal Family, called to serve God and one another. For any information at all on the priesthood or religious life, please visit [www.vocationinfo.ca](http://www.vocationinfo.ca), or contact Fr. King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation at the Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988, extension 2246. Email [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com).*



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