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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 P.M.
Sunday: 9:00 A.M.; 11:00 A.M.; 8:00 P.M.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday to Saturday: 9:00 A.M. (Except Tuesdays)
Tuesday ONLY: 7:00 P.M.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday 9:30 - 10:00 A.M.
Saturday 9:30 - 10:00 A.M. and 4:00-4:30 P.M.
or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M., 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

BAPTISMS

If you are seeking baptism for your child, please complete the [Request for Baptism](#) form found on our website and email to aouellette@hamiltondiocese.com or drop off in person at the parish office.

NEW PARISHIONERS

If you wish to become a member of the parish, we invite you to take time to register by completing a Parish Registration Form available on our parish website. The forms are also available at the parish office if you require a hard copy. If you are currently registered and now wish to use Offertory Envelopes please complete the registration form and return to the parish office or drop in the Offertory basket. If you wish to sign up for Pre-Authorized Debit please complete the form available on our website. These forms are also available at the parish office.

MARRIAGES

Couples planning to be married must contact the priest ~~one~~ year in advance. You must be a registered parishioner, attending this parish.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

All bulletin announcements must be received by the parish secretary no later than Monday at noon to ensure publication in the upcoming Sunday bulletin. All announcements and inserts are subject to the pastor's approval.

PARISH SCHOOLS

Canadian Martyrs	3201 Lansdown Drive	905-336-5792	Louise Cronin-Nowitsky, Principal
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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC 17, 2023

Dec 18 – Dec 24, 2023 WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>
<u>MONDAY</u> 9:00am Mass	<u>Dec 18, 2023</u> Harold Coleman
<u>TUESDAY</u> 7:00pm Mass	<u>Dec 19, 2023</u> Int. of Fernando Lopes
<u>WEDNESDAY</u> 9:00am Mass	<u>Dec 20, 2023</u> Onesta & Francesco Notarangelo
<u>THURSDAY</u> 9:00am Mass	<u>Dec 21, 2023</u> Harold Coleman
<u>FRIDAY</u> 9:00am Mass 9:30am – 10:00am Confessions 9:30am – 12:00pm Adoration	<u>Dec 22, 2023</u> Egidio Mannarino
<u>SATURDAY</u> 9:00am Mass No Confessions 5:00pm Mass Intentions:	<u>Dec 23, 2023</u>
Michael Plaskon	Paul Figueira
Jose Andrade Figueira	Ayala Hernan
Jean Pantaleon	Maximo Pantaleon
Jody Reason	Norman & Lorraine Blower & Family
<u>SUNDAY</u> 9:00am 11:00am No 8:00pm Mass, please see the Christmas Schedule.	<u>Dec 24, 2023 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</u> Mass (No Livestream) Mass

4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas Eve

This year we have the somewhat unique situation of the 4th Sunday of Advent falling on Dec 24, which is also Christmas Eve. We will celebrate the 4th Sunday of Advent on Dec 23 at 5:00pm and Dec 24 at 9:00am and 11:00am as usual, then celebrate Christmas Eve at 5:00pm and 7:00pm that evening. Attending only a Christmas Eve Mass on the 24th does not fulfil the Sunday obligation for the 4th Sunday of Advent. As we recognize that families are busy preparing for Christmas (and even the priests have to rest up for Christmas!), the 4th Sunday of Advent Masses will be as simple and efficient as we can make them. Please plan to join us the 4th Sunday of Advent as we gather together as a parish community in anticipation of the Christmas celebrations.

The Dismas' Plea

The Dismas' Plea group invite you to join them Monday, December 18th at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room. Everyone is welcome.

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Jeremiah 23.5-8, Matthew 1.18-24
Tuesday:	Judges 13.2-7, 24-25a, Luke 1.5-25
Wednesday:	Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d, Luke 1.26-38
Thursday:	Zephaniah 3.14-18a, Luke 1.39-45
Friday:	1 Samuel 1.24-28, Luke 1.46-56
Saturday:	Malachi 3.1-4; 4.5-6, Luke 1.57-66
Sunday:	2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16, Romans 16.25-27, Luke 1.26-38

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

We pray for the following people or groups:
Monday: Rev. Msgr. Theodore Slaman
Tuesday: Single Catholics
Wednesday: Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v.Dei.)
Thursday: Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
Friday: Rev. Ronald Hodara
Saturday: Rev. Donald Wilhelm



December 3, 2023

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Christmas Schedule

Sunday, December 24, 2023

5:00 PM Christmas Eve, Vigil Mass (Youth Choir)
7:00 PM Christmas Eve, Vigil Mass

Monday, December 25, 2023

12:00 AM Midnight Mass (Carols starting at 11:30 pm)
9:00 AM Christmas Day Mass (Livestream)
11:00 AM Christmas Day Mass

Saturday, December 30, 2023

*5:00 PM Feast of The Holy Family, Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 31, 2023

*9:00 AM Feast of The Holy Family Mass
*11:00 AM Feast of The Holy Family Mass
5:00 PM Solemnity of Mary Mother of God, Vigil Mass

No 8:00PM Mass

Monday January 1, 2024

9:00 AM Solemnity of Mary Mother of God (Livestream)
11:00 AM Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
Solemnity of Mary Mother of God is a Holy Day of Obligation

**These Masses will fulfil the Sunday obligation on the Feast of the Holy Family.*

Our parish Advent and Christmas Schedule is posted on our website. You may also scan the code for detailed information on the mass schedule for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.



This Month in RCIA

This month our RCIA shifts to the Period of the Catechumenate and one focus will be the sacrament of Reconciliation. Our second focus builds on that as we look at Advent and discover how penance and preparation help us get ready for the birth of our Saviour at Christmas. For many in our group this is the first time their attention at Christmas will be faith focused, with less emphasis on the secular aspects of the holiday. The group will take a break mid-month and gather back in early January. Please keep our members in your prayers as community support is integral to a successful RCIA experience.

Update on Envelopes and Tax Receipts

The 2024 offertory envelopes are now available in the Narthex. **All envelope users have a new envelope number for 2024.** Envelopes have been re-issued for parishioners who have contributed a minimum of \$50 in the last year. If you do not have envelopes and wish to use them, please email the office at stpaulburlington@hamiltondiocese.com to request new envelopes. The 2024 tax receipts will be issued for those who contributed \$50 or more in 2023 and may be issued by request for amounts less than \$50. We sincerely thank all donors for their ongoing financial support of our parish.

End of Year Donations

Please ensure that all cash and cheque donations for the 2023 tax year are submitted to the parish office by December 26, 2023. This allows time to process and deposit these donations. Any cash or cheque donations after December 26, 2023, will be credited to the 2024 tax year. E-transfers until December 31, 2023, 11:59pm will be credited for the 2023 tax year.



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Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will be taking a break over the Christmas holidays (December 24th - January 7th) and will resume on Sunday January 14th at the 9:00AM Mass. We thank our leaders who give their time and talents to this ministry and wish them and all who participate a Merry Christmas.

Update on Main Entrance Improvements

We have just received from the engineers the 3D rendering of the new canopy to be built over the entrance of St. Paul's. Please see the poster on the bulletin board in the main entrance for details. Many thanks to all who have contributed to the One Heart One Soul campaign.

Thank You from The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Thank you to our parishioners for your generous contributions to the 2023 Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Angel Tree program. Your support allowed us to help those less fortunate in our community celebrate Christmas, with food cards for groceries and gift cards for each member of their family. Even in this time of rising costs, this year's program assisted 122 children and 101 adults.

A special thank you to St. Christopher, Ascension and St. Anne Elementary schools for their help with the senior bags. Together we will deliver personalized gift bags to provide something special to 89 seniors in our community living in long-term settings.

We also want to take this opportunity to thank the parish Social Committee, Knights of Columbus and Catholic Women's League for their donations over the course of this year.

When Christ came, He did find a warm heart - right in our community. The New Year will start with the memory of a Blessed Christmas still fresh. A sincere thank you and have a Blessed Merry Christmas.

Social Committee – Save the Date

Euchre Night on Saturday January 13, 2024. Doors open at 6:00 pm. If interested email stpaulsocial2011@gmail.com.

Consecration to the Holy Family

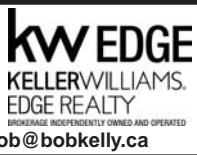
In keeping with the "Keep Christ in Christmas" theme, the Knights of Columbus are promoting a period of greater devotion to the Holy Family. Members of the Holy Family modelled behaviours that we should strive to duplicate. Culminating at the Feast of the Holy Family, it is suggested that each of us spend a few minutes of each day reflecting on the actions of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Whether we are children, mothers or fathers we can all learn from the actions of the Holy Family. Possible activities include sharing of stories from the bible, reflecting on the day's activities and whether your behaviour was like that of the Holy Family, going to confession, praying together as a family, and attending mass. A prayer card, with a prayer dedicated to the Consecration to the Holy Family, is available at the back of the church. This prayer will be recited at the Saturday morning mass on December 30th.

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