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ADVENT



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 18, 2022

December 19 – December 25, 2022 WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS
MONDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>December 19, 2022</u> Stephanie Butler Uhraney – Rev. David Wilhelm
TUESDAY 7:00pm Mass	<u>December 20, 2022</u> Michelle Bessette – Rizzuto Family Onesta & Francesco Notarangelo – Family Intentions of Fernando Lopes - Manuela Intentions of the Unborn – Culture of Life
7:30 - 8:00pm	<i>Confessions</i>
WEDNESDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>December 21, 2022</u> Harold Coleman – Paul & Karen Bradley Stephanie Butler Uhraney – Dianne Taylor Linda Tremblay – Pat Andrews Intentions of Sr. Audrey Burns – Dianne Taylor
6:00 - 7:00pm	<i>Confessions</i>
THURSDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>December 22, 2022</u> Egidio Mannarino - Gina
FRIDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>December 23, 2022</u> Michael Plaskow - Family
9:30am – 10:00am	<i>Confessions</i>
9:30am – 12:00pm	<i>Adoration</i>
SATURDAY	<u>December 24, 2022</u> <i>No morning mass or confessions</i> THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
5:00pm	Mass
7:00pm	Mass
SUNDAY	<u>December 25, 2022</u> THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
12:00am	Midnight Mass (Carol signing in the church starting at 11:30pm until mass starts)
9:00am	Mass (<i>Livestream</i>)
11:00am	Mass



December 4, 2022

Regular Sunday Offerings	\$ 5,880.00
Building Maintenance	25.00
Flower Donations	270.00
E-Transfers	740.00
Loose Offerings	1,157.30
New Years	500.00
Total	\$ 8,572.30

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK Dec 19-25

Mon. Dec. 19	Judges 13.2-7, 24-25a, Luke 1.5-25
Tues. Dec. 20	Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d, Luke 1.26-38
Wed. Dec. 21	Zephaniah 3.14-18a, Luke 1.39-45
Thurs. Dec. 22	1 Samuel 1.24-28, Luke 1.46-56
Fri. Dec. 23	Malachi 3.1-4; 4.5-6, Luke 1.57-66
Sat. Dec. 24	2 Samuel 7.1-5, 8-12, 16, Luke 1.67-79
Sun. Dec. 25	CHRISTMAS – THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD Isaiah 62: 11-12 Titus 3:4-7 Luke 2:15-20

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

Week of Dec 19 – 24 - We pray for the following people or groups:

Monday:	Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic
Tuesday:	Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Wednesday:	Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v.Dei.)
Thursday:	Rev. Louis DeVaugelas, L.C.
Friday:	Rev. Jerek Scherber L.C.
Saturday:	Rev. Adam Zettel L.C.

Holiday Office Hours

December 26th to 27th Closed
December 28th to 30th: 9am – 1pm
January 2nd to 3rd Closed

Christmas Mass Schedule

A reminder that there is no morning Mass on Saturday, Christmas Eve. The church will be open for private prayer from 9am to 11am. The Christmas Eve Masses are at 5:00pm (doors open at 4:15) and 7:00pm (doors open at 6:30). For the 12:00 Midnight Mass, the doors will open at 11:15pm, with carols beginning at 11:30pm. Christmas Day Masses are at 9:00am and 11:00am. Please note that there is no afternoon or evening Mass on December 25th.

Vocation View

“Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.” Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or a consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

End of Year Donations

Please ensure that all cash and cheque donations for the 2022 tax year are submitted to the parish office by December 27, 2022, to allow time to deposit them. Any donations after December 27, 2022, will be credited to the 2023 tax year. E-transfers until December 31, 2022, 11:59pm will be credited to the 2022 tax year.

Advent Wreath Lighting Ceremony



Fourth Week: "Blest is she who trusted that the Lord's words to her would be fulfilled." (Luke 1:45) In the Fourth Week of Advent, we consider Mary's trust in God's promise, her joy in His goodness to her. We ask, "Am I ready to receive and celebrate the coming of the Son of God." We have considered our relationships, our love for God and God's love for us, and we have responded with an awakened concern for the needs of others. Now we may echo Mary's words, "My being proclaims the greatness of the Lord. My spirit finds joy in God my Saviour." (**Light the fourth candle**)

Prayer: *Almighty and loving God, soon the whole world will celebrate the birth of Your Son Jesus. Even as we rejoice in our remembrance of His birth at Bethlehem, we find greater comfort in His promise to come again. May our preparations for this wondrous season remain with us, increase in us, and become as much a part of us as our breathing and our heartbeat. Then may we say, "Come Lord Jesus, we are ready." Amen.*

Come Home for Christmas

We know that at Christmas our hearts will be full – we want our pews to be full also! Throughout Advent, we invite all the faithful to ***Come Home for Christmas***. Christmas provides a privileged occasion to come together once again to celebrate this joyous occasion of the birth of our Lord. All parishioners are encouraged to join in this effort to extend a warm invitation to their families and friends. For more information, visit <http://hamiltondiocese.com>.

2023 Offering Envelopes

2023 Offering Envelopes are now available in the Narthex. **If you have used envelopes this past year**, there will be a box for you in 2023. Please be mindful to pick up the correct envelope. Please do not use envelopes from previous years or envelopes from other Parishes. This will result in posting errors to your account. For parishioners who do not have envelopes and would like to begin using them, please complete the "2023 Offering Envelope Request Form" available in the Narthex.

Temporary Office Hours

The parish office hours are temporarily adjusted as follows: Monday to Friday 9AM to 1PM. We thank you for your patience and will return emails and phone messages as soon as possible.

Parish Office Renovations

Some of you may have noticed that our parish office and parish board room are undergoing major renovations. During this time, the office has been re-located to the Hearth Room. Please be patient and pray that within a few weeks you will be seeing a whole "New Look".

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will take a break over the Christmas holidays (December 25th, January 1st and 8th) and will resume on **January 15th** at the 9am Mass.

CWL

Annual dues: We are still accepting dues payments of \$40. Please note that we can now accept e-transfers at stpaulcwl@gmail.com.
Next meeting: January 10th at 7:30. All are welcome.

His name shall be
EMMANUEL
GOD with US

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Baptisms

We welcome the following children who became part of our faith community through the sacrament of Baptism: Sophia Grace Greenlee, Isaiah William Mella, Angelea Yajun Malatesta, Aiden Jack Mountjoy and Agatha de Melo Oliveria.

Thank You From The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Thank you to our generous parishioners for your contributions to the Angel Tree. Our neighbours in need can celebrate Christmas with abundant groceries and gifts for each family member. Even in this time of rising costs, this year we helped 136 children and 380 adults.

A special thank you to St. Christopher and Ascension Elementary schools for their help with senior bags. Also, a big thank you to the Social Committee, CWL and K of C for their generous donations.

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.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in **February 2023** and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

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 to 8:30 p.m. 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.

WYD Fundraising Dinner

A Taste of Portugal... Save the Date! The Diocesan World Youth Day Planning Team warmly invites you to a fundraising dinner at St. Mary's Church in Hamilton on Saturday, **February 04, 2023**. Join us as we celebrate the delegation of young people who will be attending World Youth Day in Lisbon, Portugal this summer while enjoying fine Portuguese food, music and cultural dance! Tickets will be available soon and full tables are available to purchase for families or parish teams. Please contact our office for more details or to reserve tickets: wyd@hamiltondiocese.com.



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