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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.

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC 3, 2023

Dec 4 – Dec 10, 2023

WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS
MONDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>Dec 4, 2023</u> Kazimierz Wroblewski
TUESDAY 7:00pm Mass	<u>Dec 5, 2023</u> Josie Taraschi
WEDNESDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>Dec 6, 2023</u> Int. of Michelle and Cliff Steele
THURSDAY 9:00am Mass	<u>Dec 7, 2023</u> – ST. AMBROSE, BISHOP AND DOCTOR Int. of Christian Palmer
FRIDAY 9:00am Mass 9:30am – 10:00am 9:30am – 12:00pm	<u>Dec 8, 2023</u> – THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Anna Thuong Nguyen <i>Confessions</i> <i>Adoration</i>
SATURDAY 9:00am Mass Intentions: 9:30am – 4:30pm 5:00pm Mass Intentions:	<u>Dec 9, 2023</u> Jennifer Moraes Members of the Padalino Family Frederick Paul Mielko <i>All Day Confessions</i> Jean Pantaleon Maximo Pantaleon Michael Persaud Ethel McKay Carol McIntosh John O'Carroll Peter Della-Nebbia Int. of Marcus Chun Ita Cunningham Edward Soltysiak Dave Yandle Int. of Cheri Morrison Int. of Mary Regan
SUNDAY 9:00am 11:00am 8:00pm	<u>Dec 10, 2023</u> – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Mass (<i>Livestream</i>) Mass Mass

All Day Confessions

This week, on **Saturday December 9th**, we will have all day confessions from 9:30am until 4:30pm.

Christmas Schedule

Our Prish Advent and Christmas Schedule is now posted on our website. Please visit <https://www.stpaultheapostleburlington.com/christmas-schedule> or scan the code for detailed information on the mass and confession schedule for the seasons of Advent and Christmas.



SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday:	Isaiah 2.1-5, Matthew 8.5-11, 13++
Tuesday:	Isaiah 11.1-10, Luke 10.21-24
Wednesday:	Isaiah 25.6-10a, Matthew 15.29-37
Thursday:	Isaiah 26.1-6, Matthew 7.21, 24-27
Friday:	Genesis 3.9-15, 20, Ephesians 1.3-6, 11-12, Luke 1.26-38
Saturday:	Isaiah 30.19-21, 23-26, Matthew 9.35 – 10.1, 5a, 6-8++
Sunday:	Isaiah 40.1-5, 9-11, 2 Peter 3.8-14, Mark 1.1-8

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

We pray for the following people or groups:

Monday:	Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Tuesday:	Grandparents & Elderly
Wednesday:	Order of Preachers (Dominican, O.P.)
Thursday:	Rev. Donald Sanvido
Friday:	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday:	Rev. David Perrin



November 19th, 2023

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Bambinelli Sunday, December 17th, 2023

For the past several decades, the Pope has blessed the Baby Jesus figurines from Nativity Scenes, that belong to families, in St. Peter's Square in Rome. The blessing takes place on Gaudete Sunday, the third Sunday of Advent, and is known as Bambinelli Sunday. The blessing of the 'Bambinelli' – as they are known in Rome – reminds us that the Nativity scene is a school of life where we can learn the secrets of true joy.

All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus figurines from your homes to Mass on Sunday, Dec 17th and following the 9am and 11am Masses, you may gather at the steps of sanctuary with your Baby Jesus figurine to be blessed as we celebrate our own Bambinelli Sunday. After the blessing you are encouraged to take your 'Bambinelli' home and place it in a gift box, wrap the box and save it for Christmas. Let this be the first gift you open on Christmas day and as you lay Jesus in the Manger, allow this moment to be a reminder of the great blessings we receive at 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.

Christmas Angel Tree Program 2023 – Final Week

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is very grateful for the generosity of those who have already donated to our Christmas Angel Tree program this year. The program concludes on Sunday December 3rd. We request that any parishioners still wanting to donate to this program please do so by this date. Delivery of food cards and gift cards to individuals and families in need begins the week of December 4th. Please visit our website at ssvpstpaulburlington.com to view ways to donate. Our website can also be accessed from the **Ministries** page of the Parish website. Thank you for your ongoing support of this program.

Advent Wreath Lighting

Each weekend at all Lord's Day Masses, families, couples, individuals are called upon to assist the clergy with the lighting of the Advent wreath candles at the start of Mass. To help with this task, please see the parish [website](#) and register online for your mass of choice or call the office and our staff will register you directly. All sign-ups are on a first come basis and we ask that you sign up only once during the Advent season.

In Memoriam Donation for Christmas Flowers Tribute

Once again, we will be collecting offerings for our annual "***Christmas Floral Tribute***". Offer sheets and envelopes are available at the parish office. Offerings can be made in cash, cheque or via e-transfer. The names of loved ones, honoured through the Tribute, will be displayed on the website, and in the narthex over Christmas. Floral Tributes will be accepted until December 15th, 2023.

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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.

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.

Update on Envelopes and Tax Receipts

The 2024 offertory envelopes will be in the Narthex early December. As more people are using Pre-Authorized debit or e-transfer, we are able to significantly reduce the number of envelopes that are issued, saving the parish almost \$1000 in envelope costs. As a result of this reduction, **all envelope users will have a new envelope number for 2024**. Envelopes will be re-issued in 2024 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 contact the office. 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.

2023-24 Missal Sales & Advent Material

The missals for the coming liturgical year are now on sale and will be available over the next few weeks. Sunday missals will be placed in the pews; however, we have a limited number for sale in the narthex at a cost of \$5/each. We also have Youth Missals for \$10/each and a variety of Advent materials for purchase.

CWL Announcements

Thank you everyone who supported our Taste of Christmas with a Jingle Bell Raffle. Through your generosity this community event raised much needed funds to help many in need! **December 11th at 6:30** is the next general meeting followed by **Christmas potluck** and fellowship. All ladies of the parish are welcome. Bring a friend! CWL Membership fees are due. Please e-transfer to stpaulcwl@gmail.com or drop your \$40 dues, with contact information, into the collection basket.

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