St. Paul the Apostle Parish

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SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

All nations walk by His light!

January 2, 2022 Mass Intentions

| <u>MONDAY</u> 9:00am | Joachim DeSouza - Family |
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| <u>TUESDAY</u> 7:00pm | Giovanne Zagarella – Shirley & Robert Perciasepa Omer & Don Caerels – Caerels Family Susan Janssens – Don, Mary Jane & Pat Robert Boucher – Pat Andrews |
| WEDNESDAY | |
| 9:00am | Holy Souls in Purgatory – Al & Cindy MacIntosh Dr. Thomas Dignan – Paul & Helen Mielko Maureen & Alex Gomes – Jenny & Arthur Vaz Intentions of Elaine Isenring – Jenny & Arthur Vaz |
| <u>THURSDAY</u> 9:00am | Francesca Diletti – Domenic Notarangelo |
| <u>FRIDAY</u> 9:00am | ST. ANDRE BESSETTE, RELIGIOUS Francesca Diletti – Antonia Pinelli |
| <u>Saturday</u> 9:00am | Jennifer Moraes – Family |
| 5:00pm | Roberto & Clarita Castro - Family Francis Costello – Dudley Family Erasmo Spinazze – Family Deceased members of the Race Family – Paul & Lynda Moynah |

Vocation View

"On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary His mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ's Name? If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Scripture Readings of the Week

| Mon. Jan. 3 | 1 J |
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| Tues. Jan. 4 | 1 J |
| Wed. Jan. 5 | 1 J |
| Thurs. Jan. 6 | 1 J |
| Fri. Jan. 7 | 1 J |
| Sat. Jan. 8 | 1 J |
| Sun. Jan. 9 | TH |
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ohn 3.22-4.6, Matthew 4.12-17, 23-25 ohn 4.7-10, Mark 6.34-44 ohn 4.11-18, Mark 6.45-52 ohn 4.19-5.4. Luke 4.14-22a ohn 5.5-13, Luke 5.12-16 ohn 5.14-21, John 3.22-30 E BAPTISM OF THE LORD iah 42.1-4, 6-7, ts 10.34-38, Luke 3.15-16, 21-22

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

| We pray for the following people or groups this week: | | |
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| Monday: | Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I. | |
| Tuesday: | Rev. Vivek Trindade | |
| Wednesday: | Diocesan Priests | |
| Thursday: | Rev. Murray McDermott, C.R. | |
| Friday: | Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R. | |
| Saturday: | Rev. Raphael Ma, C.R. | |
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Pray for Vocations!!

Thank You from Fr. John, Fr. Gregory and the Parish Staff

Thank you to all the parishioners for your generosity over the Christmas holidays, and thanks to everyone for the gifts that were dropped off at the rectory and the parish office over the holiday season. We sincerely appreciate the cards, gifts, prayers, and well wishes. Thanks to Linda Herlihey and all the musicians for all their hard work in preparing and providing music for the liturgies, especially at Christmas, and throughout the year. Thanks to Deacon Brian Dunn for his ongoing ministry in our parish and service at Mass. Thanks to AI & Cindy MacIntosh for their work in decorating the church each week and all the extras for Christmas. Thanks to all the ministry leaders for their work in scheduling and coordinating the various parish ministries throughout the year. Thanks to all the Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion who helped at the Masses this year. We also extend a very big and sincere thank you to the Ushers and Greeters who were faithfully here at each Mass to ensure that we could be open safely with the pandemic restrictions. We pray that the celebration of our Lord's Birth may lead us all ever deeper in the Mystery of God's love, and that 2022 may be filled with an abundance of the Lord's blessings for us all!



Did you know?

This week, we are beginning a bulletin series called "Did you know?" where we will share things about our faith with our parishioners. This is meant to be a way to explain *why* we do things and the great beauty of our faith when it is understood. We might not have it published every week, depending on space available in the bulletin, but we will try and have it published fairly consistently.

This week, we look at the meaning of the *Entrance Procession* at Mass. The Entrance Procession symbolizes the movement of the Church from the old world to the new. For an hour, we leave the world behind and approach the sacrifice of the New Covenant. Even though just the priest and a few other ministers are in the Procession, the congregation can participate by mentally leaving behind all that is "un-holy" and preparing for the graces which flow from the Sacrament. We can spiritually "approach the altar" with the priest and offer up our personal sacrifices in union with the Sacrifice of the Mass. The spiritual meaning of the Entrance Procession, as leaving everything behind as we approach the altar, is a good argument that Mass begins with the Entrance Procession.

The Entrance Chant (or hymn) begins during the Entrance Procession. "Its purpose is to open the celebration, foster the unity of those who have been gathered, introduce their thoughts to the mystery of the liturgical time or festivity, and accompany the procession of the Priest and ministers. This chant is sung alternately by the choir and the people or similarly by a cantor and the people, or entirely by the people, or by the choir alone. If there is no singing at the Entrance, the antiphon given in the Missal is recited either by the faithful, or by some of them, or by a reader; otherwise, it is recited by the Priest himself, who may even adapt it as an introductory explanation." (General Instruction of the Roman Missal 47-48). The Antiphons, when they are recited as on weekdays, are taken from scripture, and are a reminder of the ubiquity of the Word of God within the Liturgy.

2022 Offering Envelopes

2022 Offering Envelopes are now available in the Foyer. If you have used envelopes this past year, there will be a box for you in 2022. 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, you will be issued a new box.

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in **February 2022** and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

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The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary & Joseph, and the infant lying in a manger.

Marriage Support

Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille – a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.

Halton Alive

Halton Alive would like to thank all St. Paul the Apostle parishioners for the generous respect Life Sunday collection of \$1,170.00 that you donated to them. Your contribution will be used to further life-affirming education here in Halton parishes, schools, and communities. Check out the latest on the Inspire Hope Campaign: www.haltonalive.ca/inspirehope www.haltonalive.ca | 905-632-3232

Big Band Music

On **Sunday**, **January 30th** from **2:00 to 4:00pm** the Knights of Columbus of Burlington are hosting an afternoon of "Big Band Music" featuring the Toronto All-Star Big Band. The price per ticket is only \$48.00. You can reserve your seat by calling the box office at 905-681-6000 or by going to their website at www.burlingtonpac.ca.

Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light

-Matthew 11:28



