# St. Catherine of Siena Parish

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#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm Friday 9:00am -12:00noon

#### **WEEKDAY MASS:**

Tuesday, 7:00pm Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am

#### **SUNDAY MASS:**

Saturday, 5:00pm Sunday, 9:00am, 11:00am

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

Tuesday, 6:15pm -6:45pm Saturday, 4:00-4:30pm (or by appointment)

**BAPTISMS:** Please contact the office at least 3 months prior to desired date.

<u>Becoming Catholic-RCIA:</u> For those not Baptized, or who have not yet completed their initiation, please call the office or speak to one of the priests.

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca 905-522-7727

**<u>FUNERALS:</u>** When a family death occurs, please contact the office for assistance with arrangements.

<u>MARRIAGE:</u> Couples intending to marry, kindly contact the office about a year in advance.

Wedding Anniversary Blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

<u>ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:</u> Do you know someone in need? Please contact 905-383-4850 or visit our website at https://www.ssvphamiltonpc.org/scos

**VOCATIONS:** Diocese of Hamilton www.hamiltonvocations.com

#### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH:

 Corpus Christi:
 905-389-3940
 St. John Paul II:
 905-525-1300

 St. Marguerite d'Youville:
 905-387-4600
 St. Teresa of Calcutta:
 905-318-7933

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#### ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

#### **Our Financial Stewardship:**

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#### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

Mon	Catholic Youth
Tues	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed	Deceased Consecrated Brothers and Sisters
Thurs	Rev. Felix Nwatu
Fri	Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan
Sat	Rev. Robert Bulbrook

# $\begin{array}{c} Mass\ Intentions\ for\ the \\ Week \end{array}$



7:00pm	Kathryn Vineski-Lenko
-	Teresa Bowen
	Salvatore Gallo
	Lucy Fogietta (Nee Melfi)
	Special Intentions of S. J.
	Special Intentions of Hank &
	Helena Streun
9:00am	Eric Clitsome
9:00am	Special Intentions of Robert &
	Sonia Ira and family
	A Mass of Thanksgiving
9:00am	Donato & Nicolina
	Menechella
5:00pm	Ernesto Pacheco & deceased
5:00pm	
5:00pm	family members
5:00pm	
5:00pm	family members Giuseppina & Francesco
5:00pm	family members Giuseppina & Francesco Gallo
5:00pm	family members Giuseppina & Francesco Gallo Carmelina & Antonio
5:00pm	family members Giuseppina & Francesco Gallo Carmelina & Antonio Centritto
5:00pm	family members Giuseppina & Francesco Gallo Carmelina & Antonio Centritto Kevin Greenlaw
	9:00am 9:00am

#### **School Masses**

We are excited to extend a warm invitation to our upcoming School Masses. We sincerely hope that you will join us.

#### **Corpus Christi School**

Tuesday, November 21st at10:00am

#### St. Teresa of Calcutta School

(25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass with Bishop Crosby) Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00am

#### St. Marguerite d'Youville School

Tuesday, November 28th at 10:15am

#### St. John Paul II School

Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:15am

# <u>Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time - November</u> 19, 2023

What will you say when you meet God face to face? Better still, what will God say to you? Will you be able to answer that you served faithfully? Can you answer that now? If God is calling you to the priesthood, diaconate, religious or consecrated life, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

**Email** <u>vocations@hamiltondiocese.com</u> hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

#### **Neighbour to Neighbour Centre:**

We would like to thank all of the parishioners of St. Catherine of Siena for your continuing support over these past many months. Food insecurity is a significant concern for numerous families that live within our own parish boundaries.

Each month, N2N is providing over 1500 families with produce and food staples, enough to last about 5 days. The Christmas season is a particularly worrisome time for these families, especially those with children.

We have a collection box in the narthex of our Church and will be truly grateful for whatever food staples you may be able to donate from time to time. Currently all nonperishables are in short supply. Thank you for reading this and caring For Those in Need. Remember these families in your prayer.



#### CATHOLIC WOMAN'S LEAGUE (CWL)

As we begin life in our new parish building, the CWL is beginning to plan for future events and meetings with all the ladies of the parish. More detail to come, but hold the date of Tuesday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> from 7-9 pm for our first big event: an Advent Retreat and wine and cheese. Those members who were part of the Lourdes campus for the past few years will have received a blue CWL membership envelope in your box this past week. There will be a new CWL envelope in the new envelope box in January of 2024, so you can wait to pay your membership then, or put your \$40 fee in the blue envelope now and put it in the collection. We will record that you have paid for 2024. We will be reaching out to all members soon and look forward to sharing time with you!

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY RETURNS:** We want to begin Children's Liturgy again in our parish on Sunday November 26 at the 9am and 11am Masses. This requires volunteer leaders and volunteers assistants. Anyone interested is welcome to join. High School students are also invited to assist and will be able to receive volunteer hours. Please contact the office at 905-383-3381.

**COFFEE SUNDAYS:** We hope to have our first Coffee Sunday on the First Sunday of Advent (December 2/3) after all Masses. We will need volunteers to assist with serving the coffee. There will be a planning and training meeting on Tuesday November 21 at 7:30pm in the parish Hall. Anyone who may be interested in assisting with Coffee Sundays is encouraged to come out to this meeting. Initially we plan on having Coffee Sunday about once a month.

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:**

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parishioners of St. Catherine of Siena for their generosity during our Coats for Kids drive last week. Thanks to you we were able to raise \$3,105 and have ordered 9 boxes for a total of 110 quality winter coats.

Missals are for sale at the back of the church for \$5.00 each. Please place in Offertory **Basket** 

#### SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

#### **Christmas - a time for giving!**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference will be providing Christmas assistance to families in need within our parish boundaries.

The Christmas Tree will be in the narthex from November 18th until December 10th. We kindly ask for your support by taking a tag from the tree, purchase the gift card and place it in the designated gift box, located in the narthex, by Sunday, December IO. Examples: purchase a \$10, \$15, \$25, \$50, gift cards. You are welcome to take more than one gift card! We are also supporting students in our 4 elementary and high school.

Possible store suggestions are Toy R Us, Giant Tiger, Old Navy and Walmart. PLEASE DO NOT PURCHASE GIFTS OR TOYS OF ANY KIND. We are restricting our donations to gift cards only. In addition, each family will be provided food vouchers. Please clarify the gift card amount clearly and attach to the tag before submitting your donation. St. Catherine of Siena parishioners have always been incredibly generous assisting families each year with our Christmas program. We are so grateful for your ongoing generosity.

#### St. Elizabeth of Hungary

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Chapel at Rymal and Garth is a part of our parish. Everyone is welcome to attend. Daily weekday Mass at 8:30 AM, Sunday Mass at 9:30 AM.



Angels we have heard on high, Sweetly singing o'er the plain.

Experience the joy of participating in a musical ensemble this Christmas! Do you enjoy singing? Do you play a musical instrument?

Come be involved in St. Catherine of Siena music ministry over the Christmas Season. A variety of opportunities and times are available for children, teenagers, and adults. High School students can be given credit for volunteer hours.

For further information, contact Sharon Fazari at: sfazari@hamiltondiocese.com

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