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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.

Becoming Catholic-RCIA: 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

FUNERALS: When a family death occurs, please contact the office for assistance with arrangements.

MARRIAGE: Couples intending to marry, kindly contact the office about a year in advance.
Wedding Anniversary Blessing on the last Sunday of the month.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: 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

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Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

Mon	Rev. Adam Zettel, L.C.
Tues	Consecrated Virgin Candidates
Wed	Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton
Thurs	<i>Dedication of Lateran Basilica</i>
Fri	Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I
Sat	<i>St. Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Tues Nov 7	7:00pm	David Clark Aristotle Ong and deceased family members Kathryn Vineski-Lenko Deceased members of the Kelly family Special Intentions of S. & M. J.
Wed Nov 8	9:00am	Emidio & Domenica Tancredi and deceased family members Rita Cosmi and deceased family members
Thurs Nov 9	9:00am	Bert Creary
Fri Nov 10	9:00am	Dorothy Woods Special Intentions of Duane & Simone Deford and Family
Sat Nov 11	5:00pm	Assunta Damiani Eliza Montecino Leonarda Alvarez Donato Tartaglia Pam Kelly Jeannette Trotta Lorenzo Alfano

**NEW
MASS & CONFESSION TIMES****Mass****Tuesday 7:00pm****Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9:00am****Saturday 5:00pm****Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am****Confessions****Tuesday 6:15-6:45pm****Saturday 4:00pm-4:30pm****Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 5, 2023**

"The greatest among you will be your servant." Can I respond to God as a priest, deacon, brother or sister, or a consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com
hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

ALPHA COURSE COMING TO ST CATHERINE OF SIENA!

When? In person classes every Wednesday starting **November 8th at 7pm** in the church.

What is Alpha? The word "Alpha" comes from the first letter of the Greek alphabet and symbolizes a beginning or starting point of a journey. In the Bible, Jesus refers to Himself as the Alpha and Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end (Revelation 1:8,11; 21:6; 22:13). Some people ask why the Alpha Course starts with "Who is Jesus?" and not "Who is God?" The reason is that the Bible tells us it is through a **relationship with Jesus** that we can get to know God, experience his power, and know his character (John 1:14, John 14:6,9, Matthew 11:27).

So, Alpha is the first step to exploring the big questions of life and discovering who Jesus is. It's an understanding of but also an encounter with the person of Jesus that is the most important part of what we believe. Alpha covers the basics of the Christian faith with a simple overview. It's just the beginning!

Who? All RCIA candidates ... and ANYONE else who is interested in growing their faith.

How? Contact our parish office and/or Fr Peter (our Associate Priest) at 905-383-3381 ext 4.

DEDICATION MASS:

What a beautiful first Mass in our new church with Bishop Crosby, Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Bishop Dan Miehm and over 40 priests. The church was filled to overflowing, including many watching on the screen in the Hall. It was truly a moving experience for me as Pastor of our parish. I look forward to us building up and forming this parish in the years ahead.

Soon, we will have the Bishop's Dedication Mass Homily posted on our website as well as my Thank you. Our parishioner arranged video of the Dedication Mass, once it is prepared we will let you know to find it on our website.

REFLECTION PRAYER – Date change

November 10th, 2023 - 620 Rymal Rd. E

Monthly - Every 2nd Friday Morning 9am-12noon
Prayer Morning begins with Mass at 9am.

Registration \$20.00. Email or text/call Sister Elaine
Sisterelainesss@gmail.com. 289-237-2245

ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

This year marks St. Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Elementary School's 25th anniversary.

All are welcome to attend a special Mass at St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church Thursday November 23 at 10 a.m. with Bishop Crosby, followed by light refreshments in the school gym located at 1 Rexford Drive.

Guests are welcome to visit the school until 4 p.m.

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. 5th 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!

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Sunday November 19th is the **World Day of the Poor**. This day was established by Pope Francis in 2016. On **this** day, the Society of St Vincent de Paul would like to make a special appeal to parishioners. SSVV volunteers will speak at mass to tell you about our Help us Grow Campaign <https://helpusgrow.ca/>. **Please access the link to learn more about our goals to enhance our ministry of "Serving in Hope".**

We'd like to grow our volunteers, our programs and ultimately our store operation. Can you help us? Please consider joining us, we love new members and please consider this special financial appeal to our "Help Us Grow" campaign. **We will have special envelopes available to accept your donations and tax receipts will be issued for donations.** Thank you and God Bless.

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 our efforts, 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 10.

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.

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.

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