

Holy Rosary Catholic Community

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Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary,
Pray for us.

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Parish Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday:
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Our Lord's Day Liturgies

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
*June 28 to Sept. 6-Sunday mass 10 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday-Friday 7:45 a.m.

Confession

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Catholic Funeral Rites

Contact Holy Sepulchre Cemetery
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Holy Rosary was formed out of portions of the Cathedral parish in Hamilton, St. John's, Burlington and St. Thomas, Waterdown. Father Bernard Harrigan was the first Pastor and the first Mass was celebrated on June 6, 1947 in the chapel of Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Holy Rosary School was built in 1951. Under the leadership of Father Blake Ryan (1953-1964) a new Church and rectory were built. The 400 seat church was dedicated on May 1, 1955. In 1987, during the pastorate of Father Anthony Ciavarro, the church was redesigned with a 180 degree rotation. Beautiful stained glass, statuary, and sculpture adorn the renewed space. Other pastors who served the parish were: Msgr. Bernard Harrigan, Father Blake Ryan, Father Harold Smith, Father Carlo Bianchi, Father Anthony Ciavarro, Father Ron Cote, Father Frank Trzupsek, Msgr. Murray Kroetsch and the present pastor, Msgr. Edward House. Today there are over 600 registered families.

Welcome to Holy Rosary Catholic Community. We hope you enjoyed your Lord's Day Worship. May God bless you abundantly!



MASSES THIS WEEK
(7:45 a.m. unless otherwise noted)

Join us to pray the Rosary before Mass. Starts at 7:15 a.m.

Tues. Dec. 1	Intentions of Peter Weber
Wed. Dec. 2	Melanie Ofilan-Young
Thur. Dec. 3	Sharon Mareck
Fri. Dec. 4	Rita Pyle
Sat. Dec. 5 @ 5:00 p.m.	Louis Hendricken Anne Marie Spina Joe Radigan

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Advent is a time rich in family traditions. Many of them have been so effectively absorbed into our culture that their religious origins are hidden. Some of us will set candles in our windows tonight. The custom began in Ireland during the so-called "penal" days, extending from 1691 to the "Catholic Emancipation" in 1829 and beyond. There were harsh penalties and fines for not attending the government church. Priests were forced into hiding, but people were resourceful and determined in guarding their faith. At Christmas, Irish families, particularly in the countryside, placed a lighted candle in the cottage window and left the door unlatched, hoping that a priest might come by and celebrate the Christmas Mass for them. The possibility of the Mass coming into the family home gave rise to other Irish customs at the beginning of Advent. The cottage received a fresh coat of whitewash, the threshold was swept especially clean, and fresh curtains were hung in the windows. The house was scrubbed until it gleamed, including all the pots and pans, and all garments and table linens were laundered. The custom of the Irish window candle was so admired in Catholic Europe that it was widely copied there, and now finds a welcome in households that may not exactly expect a priest to wander in! Rev. James Field Copyright © J.S. Paluch Co.

ADVENT WREATH – SIGN UP



We invite parishioners to mark the weeks of Advent by volunteering to light the candles of our Advent wreath. We welcome all—young, old, single, couples, families—to consider taking part in this beautiful sign of our waiting in hope for the celebration of Christ's birth and his second coming. Please use the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon the next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week! The Gospel for the Second Sunday of Advent is: **Luke 3.1–6**

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 29th, 2015



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THE COMING KINGDOM

Jeremiah could see it coming—the kingship of Jesus and the restoration of Jerusalem. But was anybody listening? Is anybody listening now? It must have been tough being a prophet, but Jeremiah was persistent in his message because he knew that it needed to be heard. Also persistent in his message is Paul as he encourages the Thessalonians—and all of us—to live in accordance with the kingship that Jeremiah foretold. He encourages us to conduct ourselves in ways of holiness so that we may be well prepared for the king's coming. Finally, Jesus himself tells us to be ever diligent so that we may gain favor before our God and King. Jeremiah could see the kingship of Jesus coming. As we begin the season of Advent, Paul and Jesus tell us not only how to prepare for the Kingdom, but how to live it day to day. Copyright © J S Paluch Co.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon. Nov. 30	Rev. Jarek Pachocki, O.M.I.
Tues. Dec. 1	Rev. Mark Pisarek, O.M.I.
Wed. Dec. 2	Society of the Catholic Apostolate
Thurs. Dec. 3	R.I.P. Msgr. Daniel Hinsperger
Fri. Dec. 4	Rev. Jeff Bergsma
Sat. Dec. 5	Rev. Paul Boucher

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

We thank you for your continued spiritual and financial support of Holy Rosary Parish.

November 22nd, Collection

Sunday Envelopes	Loose Collection	Pre-Authorized Debit
\$3,973.	\$537.	\$1,651.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday

1:00 pm – Seniors Bridge – Parish Centre

Wednesday

7:00 pm – Quest Small Group Bible Study – Heritage Rm

Thursday

7:00 pm – Mass for Knights of Columbus – Church & PC

Friday

6:30 pm – Choir Practice – Parish Centre

7:00 pm – Turkey Roll & Silent Auction – School Gym

OLIVE WOOD DESIGNS FROM HOLY LAND Holy Rosary Parish Centre – Dec. 5th/6th



Olive wood rosaries, Christmas ornaments, crosses and nativity scenes available for purchase after all masses next weekend. All items carved by local Christian Catholics in Jerusalem and Bethlehem. All profits go to assist Christian Syrian refugees.

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YEAR OF MERCY ADVENT PENANCE CELEBRATION Wed. Dec. 9th @ 7:00 p.m.



December 8, 2015 marks the beginning the Year of Mercy. In his announcement of this Holy Year, Pope Francis hoped that this Jubilee Year would *“be for all believers a true moment of encounter with the mercy of God. It is indeed my wish that the Jubilee be a living experience of the closeness of the*

Father, whose tenderness is almost tangible, so that the faith of every believer may be strengthened and thus testimony to it be ever more effective.”

Holy Rosary Parish Advent Penance Celebration is on **December 9th** at 7 p.m. Reconciliation is often called the Sacrament of God’s love and mercy: It is an encounter with God who loves us tenderly and unconditionally. Please consider taking advantage of Pope Francis’ hope and having a true moment of encounter with the mercy of God in the sacrament of Reconciliation.

PENANCE CELEBRATIONS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

Holy Rosary Parish	Wed. Dec. 9 @ 7:00pm
St. Paul Apostle Parish	Tues. Dec. 15 @ 7p.m.
St. Patrick Parish	Thurs. Dec. 17 @ 7pm 3 priests available
St. Gabriel Parish	Sun. Dec. 20 @ 3 pm Polish Lenten Retreat Confessions in English, Polish & other languages
St. Raphael Parish	Mon. Dec. 21 @ 7pm



HEALING MASS FOR THOSE MOURNING THE LOSS OF A CHILD

Losing a child is a painful and life-altering experience for parents, grandparents and other family members. A Diocesan Healing Mass, is planned at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King for Sunday, Nov. 29 at 4:00 pm.** Anyone who has lost a child of any age from any cause, including those that have lost a child prior to birth, or who have had a still birth are invited to this Mass celebrated by Bishop Daniel Miehm. **God is close to those who mourn, come and experience His healing presence.** Registration is preferred, but not necessary. Call Lena at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or register on-line at www.hamiltondiocese.com.

ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION St. John Parish Burlington – Wed. Dec. 9th

St. John’s Catholic Women’s League invite all women to a day of reflection with Fr. Allen Varlaki facilitating. Mass at 9:00 a.m., Exposition and Reconciliation. Close with Benediction at 12 noon. Cost is \$10 incl. refreshments. To register by **Mon. Dec. 7**, call Marie 905-637-1677.



BIRTHRIGHT HAMILTON Looking for Volunteers

Giving hope at Birthright means finding a way to bridge the gap between the fear people feel when they face an unplanned pregnancy and the hope they find when their needs have been met. Offering free pregnancy tests, counselling and many other services, we help those facing a pregnancy say “yes” to life. Can you help us reach out to them in their time of need by becoming a volunteer? If so, please call Birthright at 905 527-3677 and ask for Eva.

PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

The word family by its very definition is a collective term, one that unites those associated with a particular family on many levels, during many different shared moments and occasions. Investing time with your family is hands down the best investment you will ever make. You will reap the benefit of children who have stronger bonds with their families, have better academic success, are more mentally and emotionally stable and who will ultimately learn the skills needed to be better parents themselves. Pope Francis recently encouraged parents to “waste time with their children,” specifically, I believe, because time with your children is anything but wasted! (Teresa Hartnett, Diocese of Hamilton, Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 X2250)

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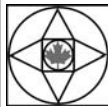
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