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ADVENT



prepare the way...

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18- FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT.

9:30 am ++ Jan I Władysława Biskup
POLISH
11:00 am - Parishioners and benefactors
ENGLISH
12:30 pm + Weronika Kilian
POLISH

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

6:30 pm - Intention of thanksgiving & asking for
ENGLISH God's continued blessings for Danuta &
Janusz Gawlik

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

6:30 pm + Janina Wiercioch w 1 rocznicę śmierci
POLISH - Za członków Żywego Różańca

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

9:00 am ++ All souls in purgatory
ENGLISH + Arnaldo Antonio Berardocco
+ Kathy Pitirri
+ Bonnie Commins

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

5:30 pm **ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**
6:30 pm + Tadeusz Bielski
POLISH

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24

5:00 pm + John Gryszak & for God's blessings for
ENGLISH Blair & Iain Gryszak
10:00 pm - O Boże Błogosławieństwo dla rodziny
POLISH Kaliszewskich
12:00 am - God's blessings for Czubat family
ENGLISH

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25- CHRISTMAS.

9:30 am - Za parafian i dobrodziejów
POLISH
11:00 am + Zofia i Marian Endzel, Tadeusz
ENGLISH Wielądek
12:30 pm + Lidia Czeranowska, w 5 rocznicę
POLISH śmierci

OFFERING DECEMBER / DECEMBER 11

Regular Sunday Offering \$3,880.00
Preauthorized Payments \$809.00

Thank you for your support of our parish!

BAPTISM

On Saturday December 17th, the sacrament of baptism will be bestowed upon:

Surya, Sydney Yvonne
Daughter of Steven & Si Hui

Doleman, Callum Tee
Son of Matthew & Maysie

Swinden, Mikaela Iwona
Daughter of Zachary & Karolina

ADVENT

The readings for the fourth Sunday of Advent challenge us to look beyond our own understanding and have faith. The first reading foretells that a virgin will give birth. The psalm praises the wonders of God. The second reading speaks of the promises of God through the ages and the resurrection of Jesus Christ. In the gospel we hear how an angel appeared to Joseph and he did as the angel told him.

Today we light the fourth purple candle to mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our Savior. This final candle, the "Angel's Candle," symbolizes peace. It reminds us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

This year's Christmas program pamphlets are available in the narthex of the church for anyone who has not had a chance to pick one up yet.

Advent confessions are taking place this Thursday, December 22nd from 6:30pm- 8:30pm.

PARISH STORE

Christmas cards (English and Polish), as well as Opłatki/Christmas wafers are available for purchase in the parish store.

PARISH OFFICE- CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS

Dear parishioners, the parish office will be closed from Thursday, December 22nd, 2022 to Monday, January 2nd, 2023. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2023.

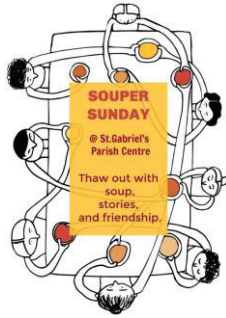
2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Offertory envelopes for 2023 are available for pickup in the narthex of the Church after each Mass this weekend. *Your donations are tax deductible. Please do not use your 2022 envelopes in 2023.*

If anyone is unable to pick up their offertory envelopes, or would like to register to receive envelopes for 2023, please contact the parish office for further information.

SOUPER SUNDAY

Souper Sunday Returns! Please join us after all Sunday Masses today, December 18th for some delicious soup in the Parish Center, or bring a container for Take-Out. Free Will offerings appreciated for the needs of the Parish.



CHRISTMAS TREE- FUNDRAISER

Windy Hill Christmas Tree Farm is a family-owned business with fundraising opportunities. The Forbes Family invites you to cut your own fresh Christmas tree- for every tree that is purchased by you, a parishioner, the Forbes Family will donate \$10 per tree to our Church! Make sure to bring a copy of this bulletin with you when purchasing.



A variety of trees are available Norway/ White/ Blue Spruce and Fraser/Balsam/Concolour Fir (short needled, open canopy, pesticide free). Red Dogwood twigs, greenery and ready-made pots are available. Cash sales only. The farm is open Fridays/Saturdays/Sundays from 9 am-5 pm. Call Ruth and Jim Forbes at 905-659-2221 for pricing or for appointments. 15 Glenron Road, off Mountsberg Road. Watch for signs on Highway 6, Mountsberg, Centre or Campbellville Roads.

COFFEE AND DONUTS CALENDAR-2023

Attention all parish groups & ministries! If you would like the opportunity to sell coffee and donuts for fundraising purposes, a new schedule is being created for next year. Please contact the parish office to sign up.

BIG HEART FOOD COLLECTION

Did you know that more people are using Food Banks today than three years ago? Can you help the Knights of Columbus Council #10061 by donating non-perishable items and personal care items? Donations will go to Food for Life and Burlington Food Bank to help the less fortunate in the community. The donation bin is in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for any help that you can give.

KINDERGARDEN REGISTRATION AT HCDSB

Kindergarten registration at the Halton Catholic District School Board (HCDSB) for the 2023-2024 school year is now open!

Parents and guardians who are interested in registering their child for Kindergarten are invited to visit the HCDSB website for more information: <https://hcdsb.info/KindergartenRegistration>

COPERNICUS ADULT DAY PROGRAM

Our Adult Day Program is open and accepting new clients. This Program provides respite to caregivers and provides seniors with much needed socialization through group activities, exercise and art classes, bingo, sing alongs and more in both English and Polish. The program runs Monday to Thursday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. We also offer virtual programs for those who cannot take part in person. For more information please contact us at 416-536-7122 x.223 or email at adultstaff@copernicuslodge.com.

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS


Any time is a good time to invite family, friends, and neighbours to attend Mass. Especially so during the beautiful Christmas season. What better gift can we give a loved one who is away from the Church than a warm invitation to Come Home for Christmas? Whether they have been away for a short time or a long time, we want all Catholics to know that they are warmly welcomed back to our Parish community. Please consider extending this invitation to loved ones, neighbours, and colleagues – for more information, visit <http://hamiltondiocese.com>.

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