# **REGINA MUNDI CHURCH**

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## Sunday December 22, 2013 Fourth Sunday of Advent – Sunday December 29, 2013 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph





**WELCOME** to all who visited our Parish today. We pray that you were nourished by our Liturgy. If you are new to our community, please fill in a registration form and return it to the office or place it in the collection basket. Registration forms are in the main entrance of the church.

### Dear People of God:

Once again we celebrate the Incarnation – God become one of us in Jesus. What a reason to celebrate!

This elicits a response in us of gratitude for the gift of our humanity and the humanity of all on our earth. It calls forth a spirit of generosity to those whose human dignity is being denied or threatened.

Pope Francis has recently prepared a document, "The Joy of the Gospel" where he says he prefers a Church bruised, hurting and dirty because it has been out on the streets". We are that church and as part of the new evangelization are called to celebrate the presence of Jesus in the market place. Let us look for those opportunities this Christmas Season

Wishing you a Christmas Season of Joy and peace,

Fr. Charlie

# LITURGIES AND DEVOTIONS

| Monday    | Dec 23 No Mass                    | Monday    | Dec 30 No Mass                    |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| Tuesday   | Dec 24 5:00 p.m. MERRY            | Tuesday   | Dec 31 5:00 p.m. New Year's Eve   |
| 5         | 7:00 p.m. CHRISTMAS!              | Wednesday | Jan 1 11:00 a.m. HAPPY NEW YEAR!  |
|           | 12 midnight                       | Thursday  | Jan 2 8:30 a.m. John Grace        |
| Wednesday | Dec 25 9:00 a.m. MERRY            | Friday    | Jan 3 8:30 a.m. Fred Salvador     |
|           | 11:00 a.m. CHRISTMAS!             |           | 1:30 p.m. Mass at Idlewyld -      |
| Thursday  | Dec 26 No Mass                    |           | Carmela Patrizio                  |
| Friday    | Dec 27 No Mass                    | Saturday  | Jan 4 5:00 p.m. Nancy O'Rourke,   |
| Saturday  | Dec 28 5:00 p.m. Elizabeth Costie |           | Thresiamma Palalkunnel,           |
|           | Armando Caruso, Pietro Celani,    |           | Maria & Bruno Gagliardi &         |
|           | Sotero Simonelli, Fedele Morcone  |           | Gina Spadafora,                   |
| Sunday    | Dec 29 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.     |           | Intentions of Eddie Pinto,        |
|           |                                   |           | Intentions of Ann Perara & Family |
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# Sunday Jan 5 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

## **MEETINGS IN OUR PARISH**

An open invitation is warmly extended for you to join any of the activities in our parish

| Monday   | Dec 23 – January 2 <sup>nd</sup> |           | Office Closed | Thursday | Jan 2 | 2:00 p.m. Italian Praye | Italian Prayers    |
|----------|----------------------------------|-----------|---------------|----------|-------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Thursday | Dec 26                           | 8:00 p.m. | AA            |          |       | 3:00 p.m.               | Prayer for Priests |
| -        |                                  |           |               | Friday   | Jan 3 | 6:30 p.m.               | Youth Grou         |

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SUFFERING IN OUR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY:

Leo D'Atri, Maria Boneventure, Susan Parkes, Joseph McMahon, Cathy Bain, Anne McKay, Betty Devlin, Patricia Dobosz, Marie Masys, Amy Younger, Jim Klein, Loretta VanReizen, Mason Messina, Christine Bolduc, Honorato Ortiz, Marion McNeil, Evan Inrig, Meaghan O'Connor, Don MacDonald, Mike Losak, Richard Johnson, David Somasundarum, Mario Esmas, Taylor Lively, Maria Nguyen Thi Mui, Tracy Giannou, Maureen LaRose, Fred Corradetti, Maria Djordjevic, Elena Corrado, Shannon Marshall, Hawa Kuwabong, Dianna Ortyl, Anthony Terbogt, Margaret Morris, Colleen Dadswell, Janet Dionne, Carol Angle, Loretta Ward, Tussa Sulkowski, Elizabeth Nagy, Susan O'Connor, Susan Benedetto, Thekla Soar, Sheila Palmer, Jo-Anne Brown, Theresa Loughlin, Michael Ciampichini, Cyril Palmer, Gerry Ward, Teresa Sheill, Nathan Sly, Helen Denardis

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO TOOK A CARD FROM THE TREE AND PURCHASED A <u>GIFT and THOSE WHO DONATED FOOD.</u> On Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> 88 families received boxes of food and 181 children received a gift for Christmas. A full report will be given January 12<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup> as bulletin space allows





The Library with adult and children's books will be open after each mass December 28/29<sup>th</sup>.



The annual CWL Baby Jesus shower will be held on Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014 following the 7 p.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy a traditional baby shower of playing games, opening gifts, and enjoying refreshments. All donations will be forwarded to <u>Birthright Hamilton</u> to assist in making-up layettes for newborns and providing assistance to their clientele. Monetary donations are

also welcome by Birthright. Please note that Birthright will gratefully accept good condition maternity clothing as well as gently used baby clothing, etc.

Greetings to all <u>Parishes and Parishioners of the Diocese of Hamilton:</u> This is an invitation to attend the <u>Second</u> <u>Annual Bishop's New Year's Day Levee</u>. This is a Social Gathering for all parishioners in our Diocese, young and old, to come out and meet our Bishops, the Most Rev. Douglas Crosby and our Auxiliary Bishop Daniel Miehm at the **Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Wednesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> from 2 - 4 p.m.** Refreshments and goodies will be served for the enjoyment of all.

**TELEVISED CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS:** His Excellency, the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, DD, Bishop of Hamilton will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. This is the 59<sup>th</sup> year that CHCH-TV has televised the Midnight Mass which is broadcast live and then repeated at 8 a.m. on Christmas morning. A carol service will begin at 11:30 p.m. followed by Midnight Mass. The televising of this celebration is made possible by the Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton.

## Blessing Before the Christmas Meal

Lord our God, The coming of your Son brings joy to the whole world. Fill us with your love, And the hungry with good things. Bless our table and our home And grant that the food we share Increase our eagerness to serve you in each other. Glory to you, Lord, In the wonder of your presence among us For ever and ever. Amen



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