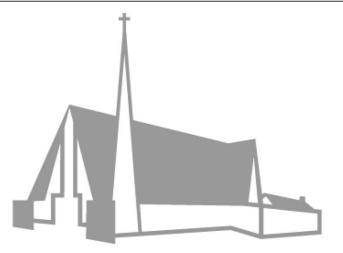
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St. Eugene's Parish

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Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday – 5:00pm Sunday – 11:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word during 11am Mass

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday – 7:00pm Wednesday - Friday – 8:30am

Praying the Rosary:

Friday - 8:00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

The 1^{st} Friday of the month during the $7{:}00pm$ Mass/Holy Hour

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday 6:30pm Saturday 4:00pm – 4:45pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call the parish office to arrange. At least one month prepration time required.

Pastoral Staff:

Rev. Kevin Upendran, Administrator Rev. Ambroise T. Ntumba, Chaplain & Pastoral Assistant

Deacon Joseph Di Loreto Kim MacLellan, Parish Secretary Lisa White, Business Administrator Mr. Arturo Maldonado, Music Co-ordinator Mark & Rob, Custodians

Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday:

9:00am -4:30pm Closed for lunch from 12:30-1:00pm daily

Sacrament of Marriage:

Contact the Parish Office one year in advance.

Funerals/Burials:

Please contact the parish office to plan date $\&\ time$

Communion to the Homebound:

Please notify the parish office of any elderly or infirm in our parish who are unable to attend Mass.

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Second Sunday of Advent	Time	Mass Intention	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intention
Sunday, December 10 th , 2023 Second Sunday of Advent	11:00am	For Our Parishioners	Second Sunday of Advent
Monday, December 11 th	No Mass Today		Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
Tuesday, December 12 th Our Lady of Guadalupe Patroness of the Americas	7:00pm	In Memory of: Filippo & Cesina Ciapanna Emilia Pingue Aldo Ventresca Brian Cosgrove And for the Intentions of: Lynette & Domenic D'Souza Charmaine Gonsalves	Married Couples
Wednesday, December 13 th St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr	8:30am 7:00pm	In Memory of: Franco D'Amico	Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer
Thursday, December 14 th S. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor	8:30am	In Memory of: Lourdes Santos	Rev. Wallace Metcalf
Friday, December 15 th	8:30am	In Memory of: Pablo de Jesus	Rev. Charles Galea
Saturday, December 16 th Celebrating the 3 rd Sunday of Advent	5:00pm	In Memory of: Manuel Fernandes Luis & Maria Carvelho Joe Raposo Helena Raposo Albert & Elsie Webb Calogero Piscitello & Rosaria Bona Nicola Piscitello Paolo Piscitello Giuseppe Piscitello Alfonso Piscitello Pasquale Piscitello Deceased members of the Orban Family Deceased members of the Michealangelo Family Deceased members of the O'Connor Family	Rev. Robert Kiffman

News From the Parish

The **Devotional Candle** at the Shrine dedicated to the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is burning this week for the Intention of Tracey & John Berryman. The **Lamp of the Lord's Presence** is burning in memory of Vincent Fruci

We are ordering Poinsettias for decorating in the church. If you would like a plant dedicated for your intention, your intention will be noted on a card placed with the plant. Please call the parish office for more information.



"Every act of love is a work of peace, no matter how small"

- Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Collections for Sunday, December 3rd, 2023

Regular Collection: \$2987.70

Repairs & Maintenance: \$35,152.00

Missals: \$245.00

THE KALEIDOSCOPE SINGERS performing a Christmas Concert at St. Eugene Church this Sunday, December 10th at 3:00pm. Admission is free, but a goodwill donation is greatly appreciated. Proceeds for St. John's St. Vincent de Paul and for the needs of the church as they rebuild.

CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE ~ The St. Eugene Angel Tree is located at the Courtyard door, the angels have an "E" at the top of them. Parishioners are invited to take a tag and purchase a gift for a neighbour in need. Please return all unwrapped gifts with the tag attached NO LATER than Sunday, December 17th. Thank you for your generosity and continued support. (from the St. Vincent de Paul volunteers)

There are also envelopes available, which are labelled for the Angel Tree, for cash donations or gift cards. These can be given to the office. Please do not leave monetary items in the church. Thank you.

BLANKETS FOR THE POOR... St. John's SVDP council is inviting everyone to help support people living in encampments. You are welcome to donate blankets, coats, toiletries, etc. Boxes will be provided at the Parkdale entrance of the church. The donations will go to the encampments in Montgomery Park, Lawrence Rd near Cogeco and Gage Park.

A Message from Father Bill Trusz on Friday, December 15th at 7pm, St. Eugene's will be celebrating a healing vigil in the church.

What's a healing vigil? It's an evening of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, during which we pray for our own healing and the healing of loved ones. This involves a Holy Hour (actually, more like a holy two hours), concluded with the celebration of the Mass. If you wish to know more about the vigil, please feel welcome to contact me, Fr. Bill, at: wtrusz@cogeco.net

BAMBINELLI SUNDAY ~ Third Sunday of Advent

All are invited to bring your Baby Jesus' from your homes to Mass on Sunday, December 17th(and for our Saturday December 16th – 5:00pm Mass) to be blessed as we celebrate Bambinelli Sunday.

Father Upendran will go around the church to bless all your Baby Jesus', after the final blessing.

News From around the Diocese

Thanks to the profound generosity of a donor, our Parish has received a gift in the amount of \$35,000.00. This gift is part of a significant bequest left to the Diocese of Hamilton by a parishioner whose intent was to support Parishes and charities within the greater Hamilton area. This transformational gift will provide much-needed funds over the next ten years - a profound testament to what is possible through the generosity of legacy giving. Have you ever considered an estate gift to the Church in your Will? For more information, please call 905-528-7988 ext 2251 or email give@hamiltondiocese.com

ADVENT PRAYER NIGHT FOR YOUTH MINISTERS AND VOLUNTEERS – all adults who minister to young people in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to an evening of prayer and fellowship. Join us on Wednesday, December 13th at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Freelton for an Advent gathering. For more info register please and email: youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com

PARENTING TIP ~ For Catholics, Christmas is about so much more than gifts: it is the promise, through the birth of Jesus, of goodness and light coming into our lives. Do your children know this is the focus of Christmas? Advent and Christmas are perfect times to highlight the "reason for the season". Read stories about the Advent wreath so they understand what each candle symbolizes; read the story of the Nativity (more than once!); be sure the tree is adorned with symbols of the faith; read family Advent reflections daily during Advent; attend Mass and reflect on the readings each week, including Christmas Day. Faith sets a foundation on which to stand and Christmas is a perfect time to bring Christ into your family activities!



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