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ADVENT

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Fourth Sunday in Advent	Time	Mass Intention	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intention
Sunday, December 18 th , 2022 Fourth Sunday in Advent	11:00am	For Our Parishioners	
Monday, December 19 th	No Mass Today		Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic
Tuesday, December 20 th	7:00pm	In Memory of: Guerino & Teresa Pala Bob & Anne Rafuse Jim & Janet Curran Antonietta & Franco Manna Mauro Spagnoletti	Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.
Wednesday, December 21 st	8:30am	In Memory of: Joseph Francis Mattiacci	Voluntas Dei Institute
Thursday, December 22 nd	8:30am	In Memory of: Joseph Gabriel Mattiacci	Rev. Louis DeVaugelas, L.C.
Friday, December 23 rd	8:30am	In Memory of: Nike Babuik	Rev. Jerek Scherber, L.C.
Saturday, December 24 th Christmas Eve	5:00pm & 9:00pm	Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord	Rev. Adam Zettel, L.C.

From The Pastor's Desk:

Merry Christmas!

We are at the threshold of celebrating Christmas. The Christmas season celebrates the historical birth of Jesus and the ways he manifested the presence of God among us. Christmas is always a time to experience anew the love and presence of God, and to share God's love with everyone. May the Christmas celebrations be a joyful and transforming experience for you.

Bring a friend to Mass: As we welcome Jesus into our hearts at Christmas let us welcome our friends to Mass. Here at St. Eugene, we speak of ourselves as *a community dedicated to welcoming everyone to encounter Christ, grow in faith and share our gifts.*

Gratitude: Thank you to all parishioners who are volunteering in various capacities and are also donating and praying to support our parish. Every little thing you do

contributes to building the awesome parish we want to see. God bless everyone.

Support our Youth program: Consider a Christmas monetary Donation in support of our youth involvement program. You can increase your regular Christmas donation, donate through our website or pick the "Christmas Offering" envelopes to donate. Without our young people our parish will have no future. God bless you.

Caroling: our children's choir will perform a carol 15mins before the 5pm Mass on the 24th of December. They will also sing a song during that Mass. Thank you to our youth choir coordinators. Don't Miss this exciting moment.

❖ **For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.**

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6 - NIV)

Merry Christmas and a grace-filled New Year!!

Fr. Andrew



News From the Parish

ADVENT CONFESSION SCHEDULE :

Tuesday Dec 20th from 6:00pm – 6:45pm

Friday, December 23rd from 9:00am – 10:00am

CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES:

Christmas Eve – 5:00pm and 9:00pm

Christmas Day – 11:00am

Monday, December 26th – Feast of St. Stephen - 9am

Friday, December 30th – Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph – Mass at 7:00pm

The Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God

Saturday, December 31st – Mass @ 5:00pm

Sunday, January 1st 2023 – Mass @ 11:00am

News From around the Diocese

From the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: www.hamiltonvocations.com

“Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.” Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If God is calling you, to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton** at 905-528-7988 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 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>

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH ~ As we move toward the end of the year, take some time as a couple to reflect on your last twelve months together. Ask yourselves what you did well and what you might do better, both for each other and for your marriage. Check in to see if you spend enough time together, if you remembered to compliment each other, showed gratitude for the gifts your spouse brings to your life and whether you felt joy more often than not. If your relationship needs strengthening, commit to finding the help you need to make it strong; if you feel good after your assessment, celebrate your love and thank God for his never-ending support. (from the Family Ministry Office)

MASTERING YOUR MONEY: A Financial Wellness Presentation for the Diocese of Hamilton – Financial worries are the top source of stress for all Canadians, ranking above work concerns, health worries and even relationship struggles. The need for financial literacy has never been more pressing. Join in for a special zoom session on Tuesday, January 24th, 2023 – from 7-8:30pm. Presented by Mr. Fred Masters, President & Founder of Masters Money Management Inc., and the author of the critically-acclaimed new book ‘Lessons on Mastering Money’. He has delivered dozens of financial literacy presentations and is a sought-after media commentator on financial literacy. This is a free virtual event, but you must register at hamiltondiocese.com, under Upcoming events, or call 905-528-7988 ext 2249 to receive the Zoom link.

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