Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, Ontario



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Sunday Mass Schedule:

Saturday – 5:00pm Sunday – 11:00am

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday – 7:00pm Friday – 8:30am

Praying the Rosary:

Friday – 8:00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Friday mornings following our 8:30am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Friday 9:00am – 9:30am during Adoration Saturday 3:45pm – 4:45pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

One month notice is required

Pastoral Staff:

Rev. Andrew Quarshie, Pastor Ms. Kim MacLellan, Parish Secretary Mr. Arturo Maldonado, Music Co-ordinator

Office Hours:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 9:00am – 1:00pm Thursdays from 9:00am – 12:30pm 1:00pm – 4:00pm

Sacrament of Marriage:

Contact the Parish Office one year in advance.

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

Sundays during the 11am Mass

Legacies and Bequests

Remember St. Eugene's Parish in your will and when suggesting expressions of sympathy and/or monetary donations.

Communion to the Homebound:

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

First Sunday of Advent	Time	Mass Intention	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intention
Sunday, December 2 nd , 2018 First Sunday of Advent	11:00am	For Our Parishioners	
Monday, December 3 rd St. Francis Xavier, Priest	No Mass		Rev. Octavio Cidadao
Tuesday, December 4 th	7:00pm	骨骨 Giuseppe DiDomenico John Brestovansky Luigi & Custode D'Amico	Rev. Jose Edson Moreira
Wednesday, December 5 th	No Mass Here	8:30am Mass celebrated at St. John the Baptist Church	Discalced Carmelite Sisters (O.C.D.)
Thursday, December 6 th	No Mass here	8:30am Mass celebrated at St. John the Baptist Church	Rev. Peter Raymond
Friday, December 7 th St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor	8:30am	🕆 Guerino & Teresa Pala	Rev. George Nowak, C.R.
Saturday, December 8 th The Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	5:00pm	骨骨 Manuel Costa Anne Ferrie Leonard Wareing Giang Nghiep & Thai Sao Ngoc Amelia Sabourin Bernard Hass Cheryl Hass Gary Engel Adam & Elsie Engel Adam Lowe	Rev. Pawel Szymanowski, C.R.

From the Pastor's Desk:

Helloo!

ADVENT is here with us. Let us use the opportunity to grow in our faith and spiritual life. Advent is the First Season of the Liturgical Year. It brings us to prepare to meet Christ. Advent has a twofold nature: It prepares us for Christmas, when we recall Christ's first coming among us; it is also a time we look forward to his second coming at the end of the ages. Advent is a time of joyful anticipation of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus. May you be led to a wonderful celebration of Christmas. It's all about Christ! Happy Advent!

PARISH THEME 2019: *"Building Community and Growing Together in Christ"* This Liturgical Year we shall focus pastorally on building our parish community life and growing together in Christ. There would be programs and opportunities to do so. Look out and get involved.

THANK YOU to Maryanne and Bruce Wilson for donating funds to our parish. The New Advent Banners up on the walls have been purchased in Memory of their son **Jimmy O'Brien.** May his precious soul rest in peace.

THANK YOU: to the following for their generous Special Donation of funds to our parish: Frank and Margaret Miladin, Jose and Julieann Pereira and lastly Zoey (Life). May God bless them abundantly.

A blessed and grace-filled season to all!

Your servant in Christ, Andrew.

Our Parish Collection to support the Oblates in Madagascar (Africa) = \$686.90

May the Lord bless you for your generous contribution to our parish.

News From around the Diocese

DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER: For information about Activities and Events of interest in the Diocese of Hamilton, subscribe to the online Diocesan Newsletter at www.hamiltondiocese.com

Help Keep Hamilton Warm...

Px Dermody Funeral Home is helping to with donations for the "Out of the Cold" Program in Hamilton.

If you have made mittens, hats, scarves or if you wish to donate new items to the program, there will be a drop off box at the Courtyard door of the church for you to place the items in. They will be delivered to PX Dermody Funeral Home at various times, as the box fills. Thank you for your contribution to helping others in our community.

Healing Mass for Those Mourning the Loss of a Child: Bishop Crosby will celebrate a healing Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, this weekend, Sunday, December 2nd at 4:00pm for those who have lost a child. Those who are grieving this painful and life-altering experience, parents, grandparents and family members are welcome. Registration is preferred, but not required. Call 905-582-7988 ext 2249, or register on line at www.hamiltondiocese.com

Coping with the Holidays... when you have lost a loved one: An afternoon of reflection and strategies for coping throughout Christmas. The session will take place at the Chancery Office, this weekend, Sunday, December 2nd from 1:30-3:00pm and will be facilitated by Dr. Wendy Hoffman. It is FREE of charge. Call to reserve a seat 905-528-7988 ext 2249

Advent Hymn Festival – The Hamilton Diocesan Choir will present an Advent Hymn Festival at St. Augustine Church, 58 Sydenham St., Dundas, this weekend, Sunday, December 2nd at 7:00pm. All are welcome to this joyous evening to celebrate the Advent season, and to hear and sing along with some of your favourite Advent Hymns. A reception with refreshments will follow in the Church Hall and there will be the opportunity for an up close view of *The Saint John's Bible* during this event.

Friday Night Support Group for Persons Separated or Divorced meets on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month, and they can help! No need to register, just come and join in at the Chancery Office – 700 King St. W., from 7 -9pm. For more info call the Family Ministry Office 905-528-7988 ext 2249

Fostering and Adoption

Would you like to be part of a child's story?

Consider opening your home and heart to a child in need. Learn more about Fostering and Adoption by registering to attend a **Fostering and Adoption Information Webinar**. Dates are listed on the Bulletin board of the church, and for more information contact Niamh O'Flaherty by phone at 905-525-2273 or by email: <u>niamh.oflaherty@hamiltonccas.on.ca</u> The Catholic Children's Aid Society of Hamilton is committed to inclusion and equity. They welcome fostering applications from **ALL** families who want to provide a safe and happy home to a child in care.

News from our Parish:

This weekend, at all the Masses, we welcome the **Confirmandi** from both St. David School and St. Eugene School, who will be presenting themselves to Fr. Andrew, in preparation of receiving the **Sacrament of Confirmation in March 2019**. Please keep these young people in your prayers.

Sunday Missals for the next Liturgical Year, which begins this weekend, Sunday December 2^{nd} – The First Sunday in Advent, are available at the doors of the church. They are \$4.00 each. An envelope is provided for your payment, and this can be placed into the collection bin on any Sunday.

Our CWL Wine and Cheese gathering will be held on Wednesday, December 5th, beginning at 6:00pm, in the Bishop Tonnos Room of the church. Wine, tea and coffee will be provided, please bring cheese, crackers, and other goodies to share with everyone. There will be a short CWL meeting and then the social time will begin. All ladies are welcome to attend!

Our Children's Litugy Program

The last Sunday for the Children's Liturgy program for this year is Sunday, December 16th. It will resume in January, on Sunday, January 6th, 2019. We thank our volunteers for their time, and to you, our families, for sharing in this special liturgy for your families.

<u>Mother's Day Raffle</u> – Tickets will be sold at the Church this weekend, December 1^{st} & 2^{nd} , and will be available every second weekend, going forward. If you can help sell tickets at the door of the church, call Linda 289-880-0820

Please take home books of tickets to sell.

Tickets are \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

1st prize is a 55" Smart TV, 2nd prize is an iphone 64GB, 3rd prize is \$1000.00 cash, 4th prize is an Apple ipad 128GB, 5th prize is \$500.00 cash

