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Parish Theme 2020: "Getting involved in parish life and participating actively and joyfully in the Mass."

#### **Sunday Mass Schedule:**

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

#### Weekday Masses:

Tuesday – 7:00pm Friday – 8:30am

#### Praying the Rosary:

Friday - 8:00am

#### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

The  $1^{st}$  Friday of the month following 8:30am Mass

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Tuesday 6:30pm 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 9:00am – 9:30am during Adoration Saturday 4:00pm – 4:45pm

#### **Sacrament of Baptism:**

Last Sunday of the month, during the 11am Mass One month notice is required

#### **Pastoral Staff:**

Rev. Andrew Quarshie, *Pastor*Ms. Kim MacLellan, *Parish Secretary*Mrs. Annette Corey, *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

#### Legacies and Bequests

Please 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.

#### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Fourth Sunday of Advent	Time	Mass Intention	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intention
Sunday, December 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2020 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent	11:00am	For Our Parishioners	
Monday, December 21st	No Mass		Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.
Tuesday, December 22nd	7:00pm	유 유 Aldo Ventresca Larry Murphy	Rev. Robert Sims
Wednesday, December 23rd	8:30am	♣ Special Intention	Voluntas Dei Institute
Thursday, December 24 <sup>th</sup> <b>Christmas Eve</b>	5:00pm 9:00pm	The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord	Rev. Michael Downey
Friday, December 25 <sup>th</sup> Christmas Day	11:00am	The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord	Christmas Day Nativity of the Lord
Saturday, December 26 <sup>th</sup> St. Stephen, The First Martyr  Celebrating the Feast of the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph	8:30am 5:00pm	Intention of Robert MacDonald Intention of Pearl Fler ************************************	Rev. Martin Vallely

#### From The Pastor's Desk:

Dear family of God, Merry Christmas!

Do not be afraid; for see – I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is the Christ, the Lord..." (Luke 2:10) These are the words of the angel to the shepherds about the birth of Jesus. The year 2020 has had its challenging moments and uncertainties for us all. In times like these we may be easily prone to despair, anxiety, frustration, depression and what have you. Through the celebration of Christmas God assures us not to be afraid, he is with us in Christ and will afford us his protection, blessings, salvation and joy. Let us keep trusting in him and welcome Jesus always into our hearts. May you find peace and joy this Christmas.

Thank you to the Alfano family for their donation to our Church. God bless them and all who are being so generous to our parish community sharing Time, Talent and Resources.

Merry Chrismas!

Fr. Andrew



On the fourth week of Advent, we light the final 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."

#### Collections for December 13, 2020

Regular Collection: \$5523.00 Repairs & Maintenance: \$618.00

In Memory: \$70.00

#### News from our Parish

## CHRISTMAS AND CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES

We are encouraging you to register in advance for the Mass you would like to attend.

We need the family name and number of people attending with you, so we can plan the seating for the Mass. We are keeping everything safe, keeping distancing in place, and masks must be worn at all times while in the church.

Dec 24<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Eve: 5pm and 9pm
Dec 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day: 11am
Dec 26<sup>th</sup> - St. Stephen - 8:30am
Feast of the Holy Family - Sat. Dec 26<sup>th</sup> - 5pm
Sun. Dec 27<sup>th</sup> - 11am
The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup> - 5pm

Thursday, December 31<sup>st</sup> – 5pm Friday, January 1<sup>st</sup> – 11am The Epiphany of the Lord - Sat. Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5pm Sun. Jan 3<sup>rd</sup> – 11am

News From around the Diocese

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

From the angel Gabriel, Mary head God's plan for her life and she said "Yes!"... and so the Saviour came into the world. Pray to know God's will for your life, so as to help bring Jesus to our world. If you think God is calling you to do this as a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton, at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

## Christmas Midnight Mass ~ Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton

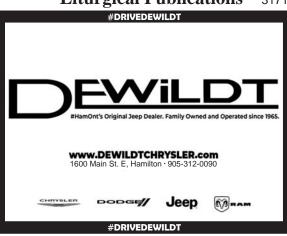
His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass from the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King. The Midnight Mass will be preceded by a Carol Service beginning at 11:30pm. Both the Carol Service and the Midnight Mass will be broadcast on Salt & Light Media and shared with CHCH-TV. The Mass will be repeated on CHCH-TV at 8:00am on Christmas morning.

Due to COVID restrictions, all seating for Midnight Mass has already been reserved. Join us for the broadcast and share in the joy of this Christmas feast!

Marriage tip of the Month ~ At the heart of every person is a desire to be known and loved for who we are. We fall in love with someone and then spend extraordinary energy and time on learning about the person. Once we marry, we can forget to keep on discovering who the person we love is becoming- because each of us is always becoming. Time and circumstance constantly change and as a result, the person changes. When the one we love stays interested in who we are, we feel secure, cared-for and loved. So spend some time asking about likes and dislikes, what bothers your spouse and what brings them joy, what is the one thing they would like to do if there were no limitations, what their favourite food is – the possibilities are endless and so is the benefit to your relationship! Make your Christmas gifts this year time and attention!

**Anniversary Mass 2021** ~ The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to restrictions and concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup> and 60 plus years Anniversary starting in January on the Diocesan website. They will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass.

**Catechetical Correspondence Courses** ~ Programs available for children from Kindergarten through to High School not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in catholic schools are also available. Families work through the programs at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988 ext 2238, or check out our website at <a href="www.hamiltondiocese.com">www.hamiltondiocese.com</a> and click on the Catechesis Office for more information, printable registration forms or to register online.



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