

St. Eugene's Parish

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*Oh Come
Let us Adore Him*

NATIVITY OF THE LORD

The Nativity of the Lord	Time	Mass Intention	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intention
Sunday, December 25 th , 2022 The Nativity of the Lord	11:00am	For Our Parishioners	
Monday, December 26 th St. Stephen, the First Martyr	No Mass Today		Feast of St. Stephen
Tuesday, December 27 th St. John, Apostle, Evangelist	7:00pm	In Memory of: Lorenzo & Phyllis MacLellan Janet Curran	Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.
Wednesday, December 28 th The Holy Innocents, Martyrs	8:30am	In Memory of: Tim & Dorothy Worrton	Congregation of the Sisters of St. Anne
Thursday, December 29 th	8:30am	In Memory of : Gabe & Carmella Mattiacci	Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.
Friday, December 30 th Feast of the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph	7:00pm	For Our Parishioners	Rev. Peter Nwachukwu, O.C.D.
Saturday, December 31 st The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God	5:00pm	In Memory of: Joseph Giang Nghiep & Maria Thai Xao Ngoc Deceased members of the O'Connor Family Lillian MacFarlane Elsie Webb	Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony, E.V.

From The Pastor's Desk:

Merry Christmas to you!

Christmas is always a time of joy; we share the joy of welcoming the child Jesus among us and we celebrate his presence. This Christmas, my thoughts have been on the Holy Family, on how they welcomed the child Jesus amidst the uncertainties and challenges of their present circumstances. My thoughts have been on all the sacrifices they had to make to have Jesus.

I thought about how the Holy Family welcomed the wise men (Matthew 2:1-12) and the Shepherds (Luke 2:8-20) to see Jesus. I also thought about how a star had led the wise men to see Jesus, and how angels went to announce to the shepherds about the birth of the child Jesus.

I had two things to take away from my reflection: Christmas is a time to do all we can to welcome Jesus into

our lives; secondly, Christmas is a time to do all we can to lead others and welcome them to encounter Christ. Just like the Holy Family may our parish family here at St. Eugene be a place where Christ is welcomed and always celebrated. May we be like the Holy family to do all we can to welcome people to come to encounter Christ. May we be like the star leading others to Christ. May we be like the angels to forever announce Jesus who is the Good News to the world, so that all may come to experience the joy of salvation which he brings to our partly broken world.

A very Merry Christmas and a grace-filled New Year to you!

Our Pastoral Mission Statement: St. Eugene Parish is dedicated to welcoming everyone to encounter Christ, grow in faith and share our gifts. (Welcome – Encounter – Grow – Share).

Fr. Andrew



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Collections for Sunday December 11th , 2022

- Regular Collection: \$4407.80
- Repairs & Maintenance Collection: \$631.00
- Christmas Donations: \$345.00
- Loonie Toonie Collection: \$25.00
- Votive Candles: \$ 239.55
- Missals \$ 25.00

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News From the Parish

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

We celebrate the birth of our Lord into our world; however, many have not received the birth of our Lord into their hearts. If Christ lives in your heart and you would like to help others discover the Lord, you may be called to be a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister, or a consecrated virgin. Contact **Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton** at 905-528-7988 or vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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.

RESTART: Refresh, Renew Revive – A gathering for separated and divorced individuals offering learning, support and fun! These get-togethers offer continual support and insights for people on their journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. This is held on the 2nd and 3rd Fridays of each month, you can join in-person or by Zoom. No registration is required. For Zoom link contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext 2249 or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS ! Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16th 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King at 1:30pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available in early January at www.hamiltondiocese.com

ReSTART: Moving Forward – This is a new and updated 10 week program offering support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The program runs from Tuesday, March 21st to May 23rd. The sessions take place from 7-9pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West, in person, or you are welcome to join our zoom classroom. Cost is \$25.00 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext 2249, email her at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or register on line at **ReSTART Program: Support for Separated and Divorced – Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com)**

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