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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<sup>st</sup> 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*

Rev. Ambroise T. Ntumba, *Chaplain &*

*Pastoral Assistant*

Deacon Joseph Di Loreto

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

## **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**

<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Mass Intention</b>	<b>Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intention</b>
Sunday, December 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 <b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>11:00am</b>	For Our Parishioners	
Monday, December 6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass Today</b>		Rev. Lajos Angyal
Tuesday, December 7 <sup>th</sup> <b>St. Ambrose, Bishop &amp; Doctor</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>In Memory of:</b> Aldo Ventresca Virgilio & Rita Nicoletta	Rev. Joseph Durkacz
Wednesday, December 8 <sup>th</sup> <b>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	<b>8:30 am</b>	<b>In Memory of:</b> Deceased members of the Hass Family	Order of Preachers (Dominican) (O.P.)
Thursday, December 9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>In Memory of:</b> Deceased members of the McBride Family	Rev. Emmanuel Azike, O.P.
Friday, December 10 <sup>th</sup>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>In Memory of:</b> Barbara Brandt	Rev. Thomas Manninezath, C.M.I.
Saturday, December 11 <sup>th</sup>	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>In Memory of:</b> Peter & Marie Kaluzny Manuel Costa Alice Baker Josie Ciapanna Mariantonina Piacente Michael & Anna Ferrie Domenico Zaurini & Family Eduardo Madrid Isabella Burns Vanda Sciuillo	Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski

## From The Pastor's Desk:

Dear Family of God:

**DEVOTION BEFORE MASS:** As part of our mission to grow into a community of prayer united in Christ, we shall have a 5-minute devotion before Mass each weekend. Prayer cards are available in the pews.

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY:** will be celebrated on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 at 8:30am. ***There will be rosary prayers before Mass.*** This feast started around the 7<sup>th</sup> century and it celebrates the purity of Mary who was born without original sin. We are reminded of our call to holiness as children of God.

**SYNOD OF BISHOPS:** from 2021 to 2023 the Catholic Church across the world is embarking on a journey of ***sharing, reflecting and listening.*** The theme of this synod

is **"Towards a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission."** The Synodal process was opened this year 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021. In his homily, Pope Francis stated that "Celebrating a Synod means walking on the same road, walking together..." This synod will give opportunity for the bishops and the whole church to reflect on communion, participation in the life of the church and our call to be a missionary church.

Pope Francis is asking **each and every one of us** to become involved in the synodal process leading up to the Synod of Bishops to be held in Rome in 2023. The Pope tells us that the point of a synodal Church - "is to listen, as the entire People of God, to what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church."

The diocese has begun a working document leading to the synod. Questionnaires and seminars will be provided to gather more information on our reflection on the Church today. For more information on the Synod check the Diocesan website: [www.hamitiondiocese.com](http://www.hamitiondiocese.com)

**A NEW ERA OF ST. EUGENE PARISH, TOWARDS “A VIBRANT, PRAYERFUL MISSION-ORIENTED PARISH”:** St. Eugene is charting a new path to become a *Vibrant, Prayerful Mission-Oriented Parish*. We want to grow into a community of prayer united in Christ, welcome more young people and young families into the church, engage and re-evangelize our seniors, and grow into mature disciples of Christ. This will bring us to outline many goals and work out strategies to achieve them. Please be involved in the new era of St. Eugene Parish: **“Vibrant, Prayerful Mission-Oriented Parish”**

Let us all contribute to make St. Eugene a **vibrant, prayerful, mission-oriented parish**.

Have a grace-filled Advent Season!

Fr. Andrew



“If there is no Advent, then Christmas is not adequately experienced. If you do not experience the message of Advent and therefore, do not look for Jesus to come, then do not be surprised that Christmas seems to slip by without leaving a mark on your soul” – The Gift of Truth

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**Collections for Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>**

Regular Collection: \$ 2548.15

Loonie Toonie Collection: \$164.25

Missals: \$241.00

Votives: \$115.95

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**News From our Parish**

**CHRISTMAS 2021 – SCHEDULE**

The Liturgical schedule is included with the bulletin this weekend, and kindly note that we are taking registrations for the Christmas Masses this year. Please call the parish office at 905-549-2694, to register to attend one of the Christmas Masses by giving us your name, phone number and the number of people attending with you. Thank you.

**VOLUNTEERS** are needed for each of the Christmas Masses, please contact Kim at the parish office if you are able to assist at these Masses. We will need 3 or 4 at each of the doors for each Mass.

**PASTORAL MINISTRIES**

In November 2021, Fr. Andrew celebrated 4 Baptisms. We wish to welcome into our parish family: **Ammorton Reyes-Iarocci, Amara Lynn Blazek, Josepha and Giorgia Laudisio**. These children were baptized in the month of November. Antonio Ricciardone and Mary Manzin passed away and were buried from our parish in November. We pray for the repose of their souls and for their families. We also welcomed 2 adults into the church with the Sacraments of Initiation, Patty Leitch and Dana MacLeod. Congratulations! Fr. Andrew even managed to fit in a week away on vacation!

**Please note** that Confessions are still by appointment only. Please call the parish office.

**We need to continue to wear masks and maintain the physical distancing from other people.**

**News From around the Diocese**

**From the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton: [www.hamiltonvocations.com](http://www.hamiltonvocations.com)**

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly “prepare the way of the Lord”? Contact **The Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Auxiliary Bishop & Vocations Director, Diocese of Hamilton**, at [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com) or call him at 905-528-7988 ext. 2222

**Advent Resource for Families:** The Offices for Liturgy, Youth Ministry and Evangelization and Catechesis are happy to provide a resource for families to encourage prayer and celebration in the home during the Advent Season. Please visit: [hamiltondiocese.com/advent2021/](http://hamiltondiocese.com/advent2021/) for suggestions, videos and a simple prayer to be prayed around the wreath each Sunday of Advent.

**Restart: A Separation and Divorce Recovery Program-**

Feeling the need for support, healing and/or hope after a separation or divorce? The Diocesan ReStart Program supports your journey, providing you with tools to remain healthy. While the program has not been able to run due to Covid restrictions, we will offer an evening by zoom on Tuesday, Dec 14<sup>th</sup>: Coping with Christmas When Divorced or Separated. To register or see the dates for future courses, please check the information online: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/divorce-separation.php>. For more information please contact Teresa at the Family Ministry Office of the Diocese of Hamilton : 905-528-7988 ext 2250

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