# Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton, Ontario



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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 Friday – 8:30am

# Praying the Rosary:

Friday - 8:00am

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

The 1st 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*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.

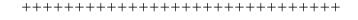
#### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Second Sunday of Advent	Time	Mass Intention	Diocesan Vocation Prayer Intention
Sunday, December 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2019 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	11:00am	For Our Parishioners	Second Sunday of Advent
Monday, December 9th The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	8:30am	Domenico Portolesi	Very Rev. Con O'Mahony
Tuesday, December 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm	Aldo Ventresca – Josie Ciapanna Raffaella Lepore	Rev. Felix Nwatu
Wednesday, December 11th	No Mass here	7:00 pm Mass celebrated at St. John the Baptist Church	Sisters of St. John the Baptist (C.S.J.B.)
Thursday, December 12 <sup>th</sup> Our Lady of Guadalupe	No Mass here	8:30am Mass celebrated at St. John The Baptist	Rev. Czeslaw Kolasa, S.A.C.
Friday, December 13 <sup>th</sup> St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr	8:30am	∜ Quinto D'Angelo	Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.
Saturday, December 14 <sup>th</sup> St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor	5:00pm	†† Manuel CostaAnne FerrieElvezia PaoliniWilliam & Eileen TroyCarmel LoggieArt TofanoPaul GallacherEmilio PitosciaGiovanina RicoJoseph Giang Nghiep & Maria Thai Xao Ngoc	Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.

# From The Pastor's Desk:

Dear Friends,

PARISH THEME 2020: "Getting involved in the parish and participating actively and joyfully in the Mass." This Liturgical Year we will be focusing on getting everyone involved, prayerfully and musically, in the Mass and all parish events, to build our parish community life and grow together in Christ. We are looking forward to many programs and opportunities for all ages to get more fully involved.



#### Collections for December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

Regular Collection: \$3216.60

Missals: \$149.00 Flowers: \$20.00

Income from Quilt: \$243.00



"Every act of love is a work of peace, no matter how small"

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# News From around the Diocese

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

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Could God be calling you to be a priest in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton, at 905-528-798 Ext: 2246 or email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

#### **EVENING PRAYER WITH ADVENT HYMNS**

The Diocesan Choir presents Evening Prayer with Advent Hymns, together with the Saint Jon's Bible and a small reception at St. Raphael's Parish in Burlington, 4072 New Street in Burlington, on Sunday, December 8th starting at 7pm. Choral preludes begin at 7pm with Evening Prayer at 7:15pm. There will be a Free-Will offering in support of St. Raphael's Parish. All are welcome to attend.

**PARENTING TIP** ~ For Catholics, Christmas is about so much more than gifts: it is the promise, through the birth of Jesus, of goodness and light coming into our lives. Do your children know this is the focus of Christmas? Advent and Christmas are perfect times to highlight the "reason for the season". Read stories about the Advent wreath so they understand what each candle symbolizes; read the story of the Nativity (more than once!); be sure the tree is adorned with symbols of the faith; read family Advent reflections daily during Advent; attend Mass and reflect on the readings each week, including Christmas Day. Faith sets a foundation on which to stand and Christmas is a perfect time to bring Christ into your family activities!

**ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER** will be held at St. Catherine of Siena (Corpus Christi Site) on Upper James St., on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am – 3pm. Mass is at 9am. Tea, coffee, muffins on arrival. Bring a bag lunch & coffee mug. To register please call 905-388-3966 or email: sssperthshire@sympatico.ca

# News from our Parish

# FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION -

will be celebrated here with a Mass on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am. All are welcome.

**AND THE WINNER IS** ... Angela Rzazewski! She won the beautiful handmade quilt. The quilt was made by Janice Goodwin. The draw took place on Sunday December 1st.

#### JOB OPPORTUNITY: Full Time Youth Minister

We are looking to employ a full time Youth Minister to be shared with St. John the Baptist Parish. Interested persons should send their resume addressed to Fr. Andrew Quarshie, 232 Queenston Rd., Ham.,ON L8K 1G6 or, to the parish email: <a href="mailto:steugeneschurch@cogeco.net">steugeneschurch@cogeco.net</a> Thank you!

Fr. Andrew is planning a **Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** in **April 2020**. Travel dates are **April 17**<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested in taking this Pilgrimage, please contact Edgar @ edgar@gateways-international.com or call him toll free 1-

800-268-0900. The cost of the trip is \$3790.00 CAD. Please enquire as soon as possible if interested.

#### A Special Note of Thanks

The Harvest Bazaar Committee would like to thank **Bradley Bullough** for his wonderful contribution to our event. Bradley created the sponsor-logo posters displayed on the doors in the school gym and in our parish. They were a big selling point to sponsors coming on board and a big hit with event attendees who noticed how professional they looked. We thank Bradley for offering his time and talent in a way that added much to our bazaar.

**ADVENT & CHRISTMAS**: The Schedule for Confession during the Advent season, and Mass times for the Christmas and the holiday season, are on the bulletin boards and at the doors of the church. If you missed it last week, please pick one up and share it with family and friends.

#### OUT OF THE COLD PROGRAM with Dermody's

We have a box at the courtyard door of the church, for any donations to go to 'Out of the Cold'. Please help out if you can. Thank you! This is in association with PX Dermody Funeral Homes and their 'Knitting Fridays'!

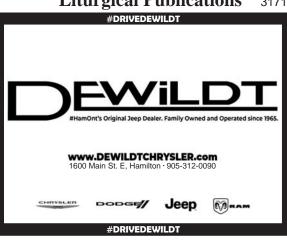
**SUNDAY MISSALS** for this new Liturgical Year, which began on Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> - the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent, are available at the doors of the church, at a cost of \$4.00 each. An envelope is provided for your payment, and this can be placed into the collection bin on any weekend. Thank you.

**2020 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES** are available now at the Parkdale doors of the church. They are in alphabetical order – please be sure to take the correct box with your name on it.

If you currently do not have envelopes and would like to start donating to the parish, please contact the parish office or take a Registration form found at the doors of the church and hand it in to the office. Thank you!

- Please contact the parish office if you have, are using, envelope numbers 472 & 474 for 2019 – Thank you!

We have a parishioner who is looking for a place to live and have a business (The General Health Shop). If there is a place needing a store, she would be interested. She is currently on Ontario Disability and needs an affordable place and location. If you have any information regarding this please contact sandram.m.gallantatmelvin@gmail.com. Thank you in advance for your assistance.



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