Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday - 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Closed from 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. for lunch

PRAYER NETWORK

"Never underestimate the power of prayer." - John Paul II, Miami 1987. Our parish has a dedicated group who pray for the intentions of those who seek or need help. Please contact our parish office with your prayer request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To make arrangements for infant or child baptism, please complete a Baptism form located at the main church entrances AND contact the office at least six weeks in advance. Attendance at a Baptism Preparation meeting is also required.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples wishing to be married at our Parish should contact the parish priest for an appointment. At least one years notice is required.

R.C.I.A.

Considering Becoming Catholic? Please contact the Parish Office for information regarding the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the process for becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK HOLY COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Holy Communion is brought regularly to the sick, elderly and shut-ins by our Ministers of Communion. A Priest will be happy to bring the Sacrament of the Sick to your home or hospital room upon request.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY PROGRAM

At the Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 12 noon Masses (except July and August)

PARISH SCHOOLS

Annunciation of Our Lord 905 388-4495 St. Thomas More Secondary 905 388-3030

PARISH BEQUESTS

Keep your Love for your Parish alive! We invite you, in your kindness, to consider remembering Annunciation of Our Lord Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy. If anyone wishes to make such a bequest in their will, please contact the parish office @ 905.388.2078. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When death occurs in your family, please contact your Funeral Director who will coordinate with our office in making liturgical arrangements.

PARISH CENTRE RENTALS

Please contact George or Josie at 905-512-9050



CONFESSIONS

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. Saturday 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

MASSES

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Our Mother of Perpetual

Help Mass

Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m

Friday 9:30 a.m. (Mass with School Children)

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

DEVOTIONS

1st Friday (Ex Jul & Aug) 9:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. - Adoration

1st Saturday (Ex Jul & Aug) 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

- Pro-Life Rosary & Liturgy of the Word

THE ROSARY

Join us for the Rosary, a half hour prior to each Mass

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

Saturdays at 4:15 p.m. before the Rosary

PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Next to receiving our Lord and Saviour in the Holy Eucharist, Jesus is calling us to regularly visit and adore Him, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed perpetually (24 hours a day) in our Adoration Chapel. Please contact the office for access instructions or to become a regularly scheduled Guardian.

VOCATIONS

Do you feel called by God to His Priesthood or Religious Life? Our Diocesan Vocations Office is available to answer your questions and provide guidance. Contact the Vocation Director for Hamilton Diocese at 905-528-7988 or see the website www.vocationinfo.ca for further information.

WELCOME AND REGISTRATION

To all who worship with us today, may the Lord bless you! We invite you to join our faith community. Please fill in a blue registration form found at the entrances.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.

HOLY WEEK.

Monday April 10-7 p.m- Mass of Chrism, Cathedral of Christ the King

Tuesday April 11 7 p.m.-Detta Brennan, Salvatore Agro, Giovina Riccio, Johnny Brunogallo, Luigi Sferrazza, Filice Attillo, Samuel Boccaccio, Danilo Rodriguez

Wednesday April 12 -9:00 a.m.-Special intentions of Anne Brideau

Holy Thursday April 13-7 p.m. - Mass of The Lord's Supper

Good Friday April 14 (Day of fast and abstinence from meat)

12 NOON-Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3 P.M. - Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 7 P.M. -STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Holy Saturday April 15

(Please note no confessions Saturday morning)

1 p.m.-Blessing of the Food

8:30 p.m.- Solemn Easter Vigil (Incense will be used at this Mass)

Easter Sunday April 16

9:00 a.m. - Carmen Bozzo (2 years)

10:30 a.m. *– Pro Propulo*

12:00 p.m. – *John Destro (2 years)*

PRAY TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



The two blue candles by Our Mother of Perpetual Help can be lit for your intention (\$5 each). The shrine is located by our Blessed Tabernacle. We

encourage all of our parishioners to take a moment and offer a prayer for these intentions:

In loving memory of Imerio Mattiuz

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday: Rev. Wojciech Kuzma Tuesday: Rev. Michael Bennett Holy Ghost Congregation Wednesday:

Holy Thursday Thursday: Friday: **Good Friday**

Saturday: Very Rev. Franjo Sprajc

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY



Acts 10.34a, 37-43 Colossians 3.1-4 John 20.1-18

"I have risen and am with you still"

OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

Sunday Offerings

March 26th \$6,923.30

Thank you for your support!

MASS OF CHRISM

Bishop Crosby will celebrate the annual Mass of Chrism on Monday, April 10th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish office will be closed on Good Friday, April 14th and on Easter Monday, April 17th. We would like to wish everyone a very Blessed Easter!

HAMILTON VOCATIONS

Passion (Palm Sunday)

"Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, please contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988.

DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

On Sunday, June 25, 2017, Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate the Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. The Mass is for couples celebrating an anniversary between January and December, 2017 for 25,40,50,60 or 60 plus years in the year 2017. (Space allows room for anniversary couples only- those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if assistance is required.) To participate in the celebration, please refer to the poster in the Narthex or register online at www.hamiltondiocese.com

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DINNER/DANCE



The Hamilton Particular Council of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul invites you to join them at their 12th annual dinner/dance and

silent auction on Friday, May 26th at Michelangelo's Banquet Centre. There will be a five course dinner and the cost is \$45 per person. There will be a number of interesting items on the silent auction table as well as numerous door prizes. The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is the longest serving organization that have helped the poor in the City of Hamilton since 1865. For tickets, please call Sharon @ 905-547-6383 or Jim@905-541-6100 Doors open at 6 pm.

SAVE THE DATE



There will be a Conquest and Challenge Youth Club SUMMER DAY CAMP at St. Therese of Lisieux school from July 24th -

2017 inclusive. Details will follow at a later date.

THE BATTLE OF VIMY RIDGE

100 years ago today, April 9 1917 was Easter Monday. On the battlefields of northern France, the fight for Vimy Ridge began in the predawn hours and would last for 3 days. It was a decisive victory for Canadian troops where others had failed, but at a cost of 4,000 dead and 7,000 wounded. It became a symbol of Canada's sacrifice in WW1and a defining moment in our nationhood. We remember to honour all who have given their lives for others."

SPRING BREAKFAST

Come join us for a hot delicious breakfast on Saturday, April 29th, 2017 from 10am – 12 pm at the Parish Centre. Cost is \$8.00 per breakfast. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward the Conquest and Challenge Youth Club activities and to support the Legionaries of Christ. If you would like to support the breakfast, please call Mrs. Tess Perez at 905-388-2078 Ext. 201.

EASTER FLOWERS IN MEMORIAM



12th.

Once again this year we will have Easter Flowers available for a donation of \$35.00 in memory of your deceased friends or family, or on behalf of you and your family. Cards will be placed with the Easter Flower acknowledging your donation. If you are interested, please fill out the form below and drop if off to the parish office with your donation on or before April

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DISCOVER YOUR UNIQUE **PATTERN** OF FERTILITY AND INFERTILITY

Take the guesswork out of preventing pregnancy or achieving pregnancy by learning how to identify your natural signals of fertility and infertility. Natural Family Planning (NFP) helps couple become aware of their own fertility and helps them to understand how the body's natural processes can be used to plan children. Join us on Saturday, April 22nd from 9:30 am - 12:30pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in Hamilton and learn more about what is effective and what is not when it comes to NFP. Learn more about the scientific data that supports NFP as a viable method of family planning, how it can help you with irregular cycles and also help you to achieve pregnancy when that time comes. This session is meant to inform you about NFP and is not a teaching of a specific method, although information on where to get couple-to-couple instruction will be provided. Rose Heron, our presenter, is the Program Director for the Natural Family Planning Association in Toronto. No charge to attend; couples, individuals, parents and adolescent daughters are all welcome. Please let us know if you are coming at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or register on line at http://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/familyministry/natural-family-planning/.

> Annunciation of Our Lord Parish **Youth Ministry**

Conquest and Challenge Club "Amen, I say to you. Whatever you do to the least brothers of mine, you did it for me"

Conquest is a club for boys designed to instill virtue, develop character and encourage spiritual growth, while offering its participants challenging physical, intellectual and spiritual activities.

Challenge is a club for girls to grow in virtue, friendship and their Catholic faith. Both clubs are currently operating in over 150 parishes and schools in US and Canada with over 3,500 members, 200 volunteers and 500 teen leaders. Please do prayerfully consider having your boy or girl attend these programs. They will not regret it!

> Place: St. Therese of Lisieux 1760 Garth St., Hamilton, ON

Participants: Boys (Conquest) and Girls (Challenge) Grades 4-8 (Mom & Dad are welcome!)

For more info: Mrs. Tess Perez 905-388-2078 x 201



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