Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Paul Edmondstone, Pastor pedmondstone@hamiltondiocese.com
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

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 just outside of the Sacristy. Please 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 or speak to Fr. Paul after mass 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

Sunday 11:30 a.m. (except July and August)

PARISH SCHOOLS

Annunciation of Our Lord	905 388-4495
St. Therese of Lisieux	905-523-2335
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 a death occurs, in coordination with the funeral home, the parish will provide assistance in making arrangements for your loved one.

PARISH CENTRE RENTALS

Please contact parish office for details to book the hall.

ACCORDING TO YOUR WORD

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday	6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Saturday	4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
	or by appointment

MASSES

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday - Friday	9:00 a.m.
Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Monday - Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Sunday 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every First Friday of the month following the morning Mass, with Benediction at 10:30 a.m.

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

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 Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m. - 9:30 p.m., (except during Mass, and on Sundays 1p.m. - 5 p.m.) 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 registration form found in the Narthex of the Church.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday April 20th -NO MASS
Tuesday April 21st-7pm-*Betty Sherrington, Melina Cino, Chelsea D'Souza, Marie & Milton Fernando*
Wednesday April 22nd-9am-*Elvira & Domenico Maniccia*
Thursday April 23rd-9am-*Christopher J. Garstka*
Friday April 24th- 9am-*Kersi & Hilda Parekh*
Saturday April 25th 5pm*-Rosario Genovese, Rita Marchione Dubeau, Robel Asres, Donna Hart, Patrick Noon, John Piccoli, Peter LoBrutto, Carmelina Cino, Jose Maria, Dennis Roque & Deceased family members, In thanksgiving for the Noon family*
Sunday April 26th 9:30 am & 11:30 am *-Pro Populo*

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

Special Intentions of Emma & Nick

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	Rev. Robert Sims
Tuesday:	Rev Jason Kuntz
Wednesday:	Sisters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul of Zagreb
Thursday:	Rev. Edward Hinsperger
Friday:	Rev. Msgr. David Reilander
Saturday:	Rev. Matthew Durham

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God, the source of creation and love, you invite each of us to serve you through the life which is your gift. May your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen

Readings for Next Sunday

Acts 2.14a, 36b-41
Peter 2.20b-25
John 10.1-10

"The sheep follow him because they know his voice."

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

IN OUR PARISH

Good Friday Collection 2026, $ 5538.00
Share Lent $ 375.00
Easter Sunday $11,129.70

Thank you for your support!

Third Sunday of Easter

Do you recognize Christ in your life? Does your heart burn in his presence? How are you being called- as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Ex-Corde Foundation

A big thank you goes out to the Ex-Corde Foundation, helping us with a cheque of $20,000. This is to help us with repairs to the Parish front doors, repairs to our automatic front door opener and repairs to the emergency exit glass. We thank you for your continued support!

World Youth Day 2027: Seoul, South Korea July 31 – August 9, 2027

Bishop Dabrowski is sending a delegation of young adults (aged 18-35) to World Youth Day in the summer of 2027. World Youth Day (WYD) is the gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the world. The Diocesan Pastoral Offices welcome you to attend a **virtual information night** on Thursday, April 23 @ 7:30pm. Register at bit.ly/WYDInfoNight

For more information about WYD in the Diocese of Hamilton please visit: wyd.hamiltondiocese.com

Dear parishioners

Thank you for welcoming me to Annunciation Parish. It was nice to see so many of you this weekend.

As you know, Fr. Paul Edmonstone has submitted his resignation and requested a one-year leave of absence from ministry, which the Bishop has granted. He has felt a need to discern more clearly God's call in his life, and in order to do that, he felt it necessary to step away from active ministry. We wish him God's blessing, comfort and guidance as he discerns his path forward over the coming year. I want to say thank you to all of you who have met this news with love and support for him as well as with the sadness that understandably comes with it. We will continue to pray for him as we make our way forward in this time of transition.

This is a time of transition for the parish. In our diocese, the normal time for the assignment of new pastors for parishes is the last Wednesday of June, and that is when a new pastor will be assigned here. Bishop Joseph Dubrowski has assigned me to be with you until then. I began this ministry among you this past Tuesday, April 7th, and it will continue until Wednesday, June 24th. That is the time frame for this transition.

In my homily on the weekend, I offered some details about myself. I am a retired, Diocesan priest, the first of four married priests in our Diocese. I live in Dundas, with my wife Lorna, whom you will see at Mass. We have 3 adult, married children and 5 grandchildren. In addition to parish ministry, I have a psychotherapy practice where I treat mostly priests & religious, and I also do psycho-social assessments for our Marriage Tribunal, for penal and dismissal cases, and for some vocation applications in our Diocese. Until the end of June, I am restricting that work to Mondays & Tuesdays only, so that I can be of service to Annunciation Parish.

Transitions require freedom and trust. Freedom to meet this time with flexibility and faith, and trust that the Holy Spirit will guide us and strengthen us, so that our parish will be ready to engage with a new pastor at the end of June. May God bless and guide all of us as we move towards our future together.

Warm regards,

Fr. Ed Hampson

St. Vincent de Paul

Our store is in need of gently used furniture donations - beds, sofas, chairs, desks and other items. Our stock is surprisingly low. If you are looking to freshen up your space and need to make room, please give the store a call to schedule pick up of items. 905-549-3902"

Spring Memorial Mass 2026

Holy Sepulchre Spring Mass will be celebrated on Saturday April 25th at 11am in Our Lady of Victory Mausoleum. Also, the annual spring Mass at Our Lady of the Angels Cemetery in Stoney Creek, will be celebrated on Saturday May 2 at 11:00am. The celebrant will be the Most Reverend Joseph Dabrowski, CSMA, Bishop of Hamilton.
All are welcome!

National March for Life – Ottawa

The National March for Life, which is held each year on Parliament Hill, is set for **Thursday, May 14, 2026**. This year's theme is "Follow Me". Once again, Hamilton Right to Life will be sponsoring two buses to the Rally. The buses will leave from the Cathedral Basilica parking lot on the 14th at 6:00 am. We will be sending a one-day bus (good will offering) and a two-day bus, for youth aged 13-29. The two-day bus includes transportation, the Rally, T-Shirt, Rose Dinner, hotel stay and the Youth Summit on Friday, May 15. Cost is $100. Please see our website at hamiltonrighttolife.org for more details and to register. Registration opens April 1 and closes April 30. Let's give a voice to those who do not have one.

Coffee House

Please make sure to join us next weekend for our Coffee House after Mass on Sunday.

All are welcome!

Confessions

Please note that our Tuesday evening Confessions are cancelled until further notice.
Our regular Saturday Confession times have not changed.

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