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

Sunday 9:30 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

Please contact the parish and arrange the day and time before your appointment with the Funeral Home.

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.

Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.

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

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

PERPETUAL ADORATION IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

Please call the office at 905-388-2078 for access.

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.



Monday December 10-7 p.m.-No Mass

<u>Tuesday December 11-7 p.m. – Eulogio Dela Luna, Special intentions of the Anoumedem Family, Felice Pietro, Niccarato Aiello, Theresa Santinon, Thresiamma Joseph</u>

Wednesday December 12–9:00 a.m. – Peter Filice Thursday December 13–9:00 a.m. – Horace Jeremie Friday December 14- 9:30 a.m. – Special intentions of Dr. & Mrs. Carmelo Scime on their 60th Wedding Anniversary Saturday December 15-5 p.m. – Michelina Pisano, Tina Faiazza, Franca Di Gennaro, The deceased members of the Gris & Torresin Families, George Abel, Antonio Domenico & Maria Martin, Giuseppina Remilli

Sunday December 16

9:30 a.m. – *Pro Populo* 11:30 a.m. – *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 <u>each</u>). 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 Thanksgiving for prayers received

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday: Rev. Lech Wycichowski, C.R. Tuesday: Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R.

Wednesday Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (C.M.I.)

Thursday: Rev. Brendan McGrath Friday: Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.

Saturday: Rev. David Perrin



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Zephaniah 3.14-18a Philippians 4.4-7 Luke 3.10-18

"John proclaimed the good news to the people."

Sunday Offerings



IN OUR PARISH

Sunday September 23, \$5,609.00

Thank you for your support!

41ST ANNUAL SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS HAMPER PROJECT 2018

We need your help!

Please return gifts as soon as possible. If you can, please consider using your November 25th SSVP donation envelope any Sunday before Christmas.

Please place canned goods in boxes at the Parish doors. We are looking for volunteers for packing and delivery of the hampers on Saturday, December 22nd, 2018. The packing will take place at Annunciation of Our Lord school gymnasium. The packing begins at 8:30 am and delivery begins at 10:30 am.

Please pray to strengthen our spirit of service and for the needs of those we serve!

Anyone who wishes to adopt a family for Christmas (that is buy/donate extra gifts/outfits for that family), please call the office @ 905-388-2078 Ext 3, and leave a message. Thank you for your support!

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS and MASS TIMES

Please note that Christmas confessions will be our regular times, (Tuesdays, 6:00 -6:45 pm & Saturday 10:30 -11:30 am) as well as Wednesday, December 12th from 7 – 8 pm, Friday December 14th 7-8pm, Wednesday December 19th, 7-9 pm, and Saturday December 22nd, from 9:30 – 11:30 am.

Christmas Eve Mass times are 5 pm and 7 pm. Christmas Day Mass times are 9:30 am & 11:30 am. Please note there is <u>NO MIDNIGHT MASS</u>.

PARISH BAZAAR NEWS

The Bazaar Committee would like to send a sincere thank you to all the volunteers who helped set-up and help the day of the Bazaar. Thank you for all your hard work. Also we would like to thank all our Parishioners, Family and Friends, who came out to support our Bazaar, and for helping make our Bazaar a great success! Hope to see you all next year!

Congratulations to our Capital Prize Draw Winners!

First Prize Winner- Lisetta Paron \$1,000.00 Second Prize Winner – Barbara Cavarzan \$500.00 Third Prize Winner-Brian Fleming-Trisha Romance Print

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS IN MEMORIAM



This year we are offering Poinsettias in memory of your loved ones and/or friends/relatives for a donation of \$30.00. Cards will be placed with the Poinsettia acknowledging your family's donation. If

you are interested please fill out the information below and drop it off to the parish office along with your donation before December 20^{th.} Thank you for your support!

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CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



Thank you to all who ordered porchetta sandwiches. They will be back in February. Watch for details in January bulletins.

Thank you also to the ladies who came out for the CWL Christmas Dinner on Thursday. A wonderful evening was had by all. We will be making a donation from the ticket sales to the Good Shepherd.

Ladies of the parish interested in joining the CWL, please contact Claudia at 905-575-5379.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS



The Knights of Columbus will again be selling religious Christmas cards as well as the Christmas fruit Cakes. The cards and cakes will be available in the Narthex after all Masses during the month of

November, beginning on Saturday November 3, 2018. The small amount of proceeds from the Christmas cards will be donated to Knight's Charities. All proceeds from the Christmas cakes will be forwarded to Campaign Life Coalition. The Knights thank you for all your support all through the year!

2019 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The 2019 offertory envelopes have been prepared and are available for pick up in the hall next to the parish center. Please be sure to pick up your envelopes early!

ONE HEART ONE SOUL

The Diocese of Hamilton is conducting the *One Heart, One Soul Campaign* to raise money for every Parish in the Diocese and for shared ministries. Answers to a set of Frequently Asked Questions appear in Parish bulletins regularly. A compilation of all questions that have been published are available throughout the campaign at oneheartonesoul.ca.

What kinds of things does the Diocese do for Parishes and others already?

The good work of the Diocese of Hamilton is widespread. Here are a few examples of the ways diocesan offices enhance the life of our Parishes and people:

Advocating for the dignity of all life and supporting and promoting marriage and family life.

- Encouraging vocational discernment to priesthood and religious life.
- Programming and support for youth and young adult ministry.
- Adult faith formation, catechesis, religious education and sacramental preparation.
- Assistance in the relocation and resettlement of refugees.
- Advocacy on behalf of the poor and marginalized.
- Assistance for Parishes in all aspects of sacred worship, including formation for liturgical ministers. Support for Parishes in the areas of human resources, building maintenance, financial reporting, stewardship, charitable giving and Parish development.

Does the Diocese help organizations outside of it?

Yes, the Diocese is generous to many in need. For example, the Diocese has an ongoing financial commitment to help the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, which is still suffering from the effects of the devastating earthquake there in 2010, and the Diocese of Churchill-Hudson Bay, which includes northern Manitoba and the territory of Nunavut. The Diocese also supports many worthy causes within and outside of the Diocese, such as: organizations who support the poor and marginalized, like St. Vincent de Paul, the Good Shepherd and several others; health care initiatives, including hospice care and conscience protection for those in the medical field; community organizations such as the Catholic Youth Organization, Catholic Family Services and Catholic Children's Aid; and several other organizations and causes in need who do the work of the gospel. Additionally, the Diocese is proud to have made a significant gift to St. Peter's Seminary in London, helping to ensure the seminary can continue its mission to form priests for our Diocese and the Church in Canada.







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