Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Paul Edmondstone, Pastor pedmondstone@hamiltondiocese.com Fr. Fernand Pierre, Associate Pastor Susan Healy, Bookkeeper Annette Corey, Parish Secretary Peter Gibbs, Custodian

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 just outside of the Sacristy.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.



Monday February 24th- NO MASS-

Tuesday February 25th-7pm Mass-Maria & Antonia Caico, Primo & Tony Giammaria, Agustina Sri Sulasmi (8yrs), Corona Eni Bondan (38yrs), For the Holy Souls in Purgatory, Dennis Roque & Deceased family members, Agelen Noemi Escobar, Special Intentions of the Sison family, Special intentions of Peter Giordano

<u>Wednesday February 26th-9:00am-</u>Special Intentions of Peter Lobo

Thursday February 27th-9:00am- Peregrina Portuito Friday February 28th 9:00am- Kersi & Hilda Parekh First Saturday March 1st 5:00pm- Vincenzo & Edda Aiello, Helena Columbus, Saviour Calleja, Barbara Berlingieri, Attilio Rinaldo, John Sousa, Maria Civita Federico-Monaco, Giovanni Colavecchia, Giulio & Yolanda Cappelletti, Deceased members of the Monti family

Sunday February 23rd 9:30am & 11:30am-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:

In Loving Memory of Filomena & Guiseppe D'Agata Happy Birthday to our Mother, Love the D'Agata Family

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday: Rev. Lourdusamy Subramani

Tuesday: Rev. Mark Morley

Wednesday: Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Thursday: Very Rev. Adrian Lee Friday: Rev. Fadi Wajih Rizk Saturday: Rev. Marko Stefanec

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



Sirach 27.4-7 1 Corinthians 15.54-58 Luke 6.39-45

"Each tree is known by its own fruit."



IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

January 12th, 2025- \$5,538.40 Parish Centre Collection \$ 761.00 February 2025 EFT \$ 2,551.00

Thank you for your support!

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will In your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

ASH WEDNESDAY

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on March 5. Masses with the distribution of ashes will be at 9am and 7pm. There will also be a liturgy of the Word with the distribution of ashes at 11am with Annunciation of Our Lord school. All are welcome to attend. Please note, Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent, every Friday evening we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 6:00 in the Church and Benediction at 6:45. At 7:00 the Stations of the Cross will be prayed. Confessions will be available each Friday during Adoration. Join us to adore our Eucharistic Lord and to follow Christ on the royal road of the Cross.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS OF HOPE

During Lent this year, the Liturgy Office invites all Liturgical Ministers (Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers, Musicians) to gather for a Lenten retreat on the theme of Liturgical Ministers of Hope. Saturday, March 22, 2025, Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate, Guelph, ON, 10:00am to 12:30pm or Saturday, March 29, 2025, Saint Matthew Parish, Oakville, ON, 10:00am to 12:30pm or Annunciation of Our Lord Parish, Hamilton, ON, 10:00am to 12:30pm.

Join Fr. Gregory Merkley on a Jubilee Year Pilgrimage to Rome and Shrines of Italy!

Experience the grace of the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope with a 13-day pilgrimage to some of the most sacred places in Italy. Visit Rome, Assisi, Florence, Montecatini Terme, Montevarchi, Padova, and Venice, passing through the Holy Doors of the Papal Basilicas and attending a Papal Audience.

Dates: May 11 – May 23, 2025, **Cost:** \$5,555 CAD per person (double occupancy) **Includes:** Airfare, accommodations, breakfast & dinner daily, guided tours, transportation, and much more! For more details or to register,

contact Liz Dachuk at Connaissance

Travel at <u>lizdachuk@connaissancetravel.com</u> or 416-291-2676 Ext. 239.

Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board Multi-Year Strategic Plan Survey

In support of its conviction to, "place Christ and the teachings of the Catholic Church at the centre" of students' learning experiences, the Hamilton-Wentworth Catholic District School Board is seeking input into the development of its next Multi-Year Strategic Plan (MYSP). All members of the Catholic community are invited to share their thoughts and encouraged to participate in this important process. Please visit the HWCDSB website to complete the MYSP survey: www.hwcdsb.ca. HWCDSB Community Survey: Shaping Our Multi-Year Strategic Plan.

TAX RECEIPTS

Please make sure you pick up your tax receipts, in the Narthex of the Church, in alphabetical order. This is the last weekend they are available before we mail them out.

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – SAVE THE DATE!

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? You are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, June 1, 2025, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is found under Upcoming Events on the home page at hamiltondiocese.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

"Do you want to help people in need? Do you want to put your Faith into Action?

The Society of Saint Vincent De Paul needs your support!

You can help by volunteering or providing financial assistance.

PARKING LOT ISSUES

Over the last months we've had some problems with people from around the neighbourhood using our parking lot, especially on weekends. We have taken steps to mitigate that problem over the last few weeks. Due to the lack of space, parishioners have started parking along the grass next to Limeridge Road and along the laneway near the exit. With more spots available now, we kindly ask that you find a spot elsewhere in the lot as the space along the grass and near the exit is a fire route. If there were ever an emergency in the church that required a firetruck to respond, we would be liable for the fines incurred for not having the space accessible. Please note that you're welcome to park in the spots behind the rectory and parish centre and the gates to park in the schoolyard are now open at each Mass on the weekend. Thank you for your cooperation!

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