Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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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 just outside of the Sacristy.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Monday noon, written submissions only.



Monday January 22- No Mass Tuesday January 23 -7pm No Mass Wednesday January 24 - No Mass

Thursday, January 25 -9am-Giovanni & Maria Cinelli

Friday January 26-9am Hilda Parekh

<u>Saturday January 27 -</u>5pm- *Tony Marucci, Edda Aiello, Lorenzo & Antonietta Finelli, Teresa Filice, Ted Rajca, Serafina & Rosina Filice, Bruna Netto, Antonietta Caruso, Joe Furtal, Sp. Int for the Sorbara Family*

Sunday January 28 9:30 am *Pro Populo* 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:

For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:Rev. Fernando Ferreira PintoTuesday:Rev. Malcolm KatzenbergerWednesdayCarmelites of Mary Immaculate

Thursday: Rev. Edward Hampson Rev. Robert Dunn Rev. George Stortz

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



Deuteronomy 18.15-20 1 Corinthians 7.32-35 Mark 1.21-28

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

Christmas Day Collection 2023, \$13,424.00 December 31, 2023, \$6,771.00 Thank you for your support!

Please Note:

Fr. Paul is still away this week and there are no Weekday Masses. Weekday Masses will resume on Thursday, January 25 at 9am.

Also Please Note:

If you still have not picked up your box of envelopes, they are now in the hallway outside of the parish center. Please make sure you pick them up after mass.

Our Difficult Topics series returns

On Tuesday, February 6th, immediately following the 7:00pm Mass. We will look at the recent document from the Vatican's Dicastery of the Doctrine of the Faith, Fiducia Supplicans on the nature of blessings and the reactions to it.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The call of the disciples is so familiar that to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life, or deaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation call Fr Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

[&]quot;He commands even the unclean spirits..."

Notes about Holy Communion

Father Paul and the extraordinary ministers of Communion are very happy to bring Communion to those who have difficulties walking up to receive Communion. If it's possible, we ask that those with mobility issues sit near the front so that we can see you or if you need to sit at the back, please tell Father or one of the ushers prior to Mass that you'll need someone to come give you Communion, instead of flagging us down during Communion. For those who are gluten intolerant or celiac, we offer low gluten hosts. If you want more information, speak to Father before or after Mass.

Mass Etiquette Reminders

Just a couple of reminders to help us worship God with the reverence He deserves. Please remember to turn off or silence your cell phones and other electronic devices that make noise before entering the Church. Please also try to come on time or better yet- come early. When leaving, please make sure that the hymnals are back in the book holders and not on the pew and please make sure to take your copy of the bulletin with you. If you are in a rush after Mass, please wait until Father is at the back of the Church before leaving. Thanks for your cooperation in giving reverence to God who makes Himself present to us in the Eucharist each time we celebrate the Mass.

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024, 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 now available online at hamiltondiocese.com.

The Hamilton Societies of St. Vincent de Paul

We are doing a one-time fundraising blitz to help support our local thrift store. Our Parkdale Avenue store is too small for the quantity of donations that it would like to handle and too remote for Hamilton Neighbours in Need. Would you consider donating towards our expansion efforts? There are specially marked envelopes available in the pews this weekend. You may return them to the offering or to the office in the coming weeks and the Society will issue a tax receipt for your donation. Our hearty thanks for your prayerful consideration towards this project! Gratefully, The Annunciation St. Vincent de

Paul Team.

YOUNG ADULTS' NIGHT

Young Adults Night - Saturday, February 3rd -Waterloo Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of Adoration, fellowship, and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night and vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, February 3rd at St. Michael's Catholic Church (80 University Avenue West, Waterloo, ON). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact:

Knights of Columbus

The Knights will be holding the next parish breakfast on Sunday, February 11 after the 9:30 and 11:30 Masses. Tickets are \$15 dollars for adults and \$10 dollars for children. They can be purchased in the Narthex after Masses.

The Knights will also be selling Superbowl Squares for 10 dollars per square. If you're interested, they'll be selling in the Narthex after Mass.

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