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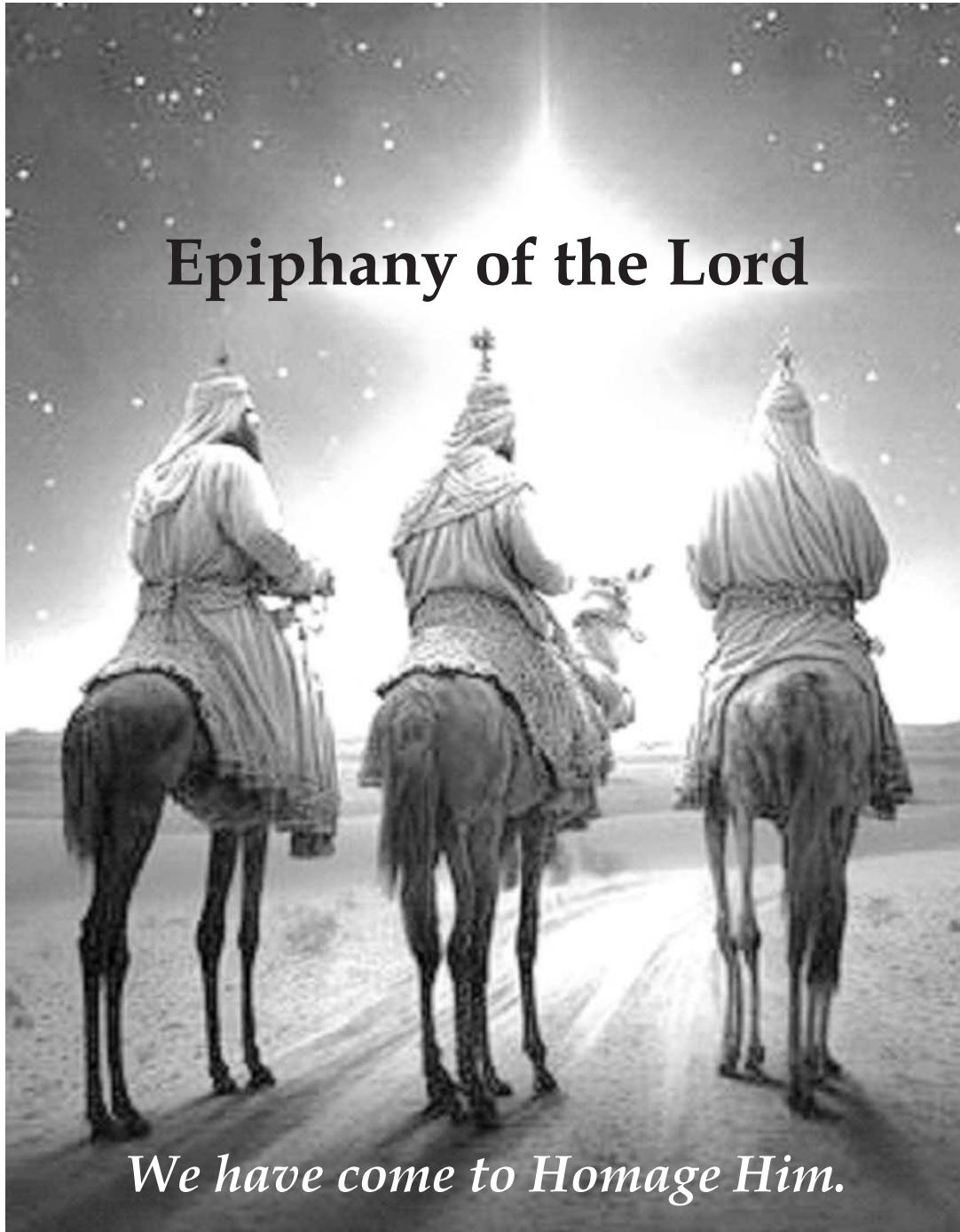
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Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday January 5-No Mass

Tuesday January 6th -7pm -Albert & Zena Pinto, Marcia & Ian Healey, Rosaria Catinella, Gabriela Ochoa, Marino Bugiardini, Deceased members of the Bondan & Giordano Families, Special intentions of Samantha Ganesaratnam,

Wednesday January 7th - 9am- Victor Albuquerque

Thursday January 8th - 9am- Special intentions of Rebecca

Friday January 9th -9am- Joao Valerio

Saturday January 10th - 5pm- Antonio Angemi, Danny Abel, Bambino Primavera, Pierre & Maria Vandesompele, Mieczyslaw & Helena Nalepa, Maurice & Sidonie VanOoteghem, Doug Waugh, Kevin Finegan, Leo Friedl, John Sousa

Sunday January 11- Pro Populo

9:30 am & 11:30 am

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:

Ralph & Rita Clow

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday: Rev. Mark Morley

Tuesday: Rev. Peter Tuyen Nguyen

Wednesday: Diocesan Priests

Thursday: Rev. Pierre Luc, S.J.

Friday: Rev. Pawel Stankiewicz

Saturday: Rev. Raymond Reitzel, C.R.

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



Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7

Acts 10.34-38

Matthew 3.13-17

"This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased"

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



IN OUR PARISH

Sunday December 21, 2025-\$9,881.35
Building Fund \$65.00
Christmas -\$965.00
Annual Parish Appeal \$100.00
Thank you for your support!

CHRISTMAS THANK YOUS

Thanks to everyone who brought cards, presents and baked goods to the office and rectory. Your generosity and kindness are greatly appreciated!

Thanks to all who made our Christmas celebrations so wonderful. Thanks to our liturgical ministers- ushers, Extraordinary Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers. Thanks to our decorating team and our sacristans for their hard work. A big thank you to our choirs- the music was excellent, as always, and helped us worship the newborn king with joy. I wish you and your families a happy, healthy, and holy 2026!- Fr. Paul

CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS

We continue to need children's liturgy leaders. We only have 4 at the moment. If you're interested, please speak to Fr. Paul.

FR. MARK MORLEY

Welcome to Fr. Mark Morley, the Diocesan Vocations Director, who is with us this weekend to preach.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid Him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." God asks us to give our lives. What treasure have been given to you to share with other in Christ's name? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister please contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE

Hamilton Right to Life invites you to participate in our **17th Annual Candlelight Prayer Vigil on Saturday, January 24th** honouring the 4-million unborn children who have lost their lives through abortion since 1980, and to pray for a transformation in the hearts and minds of those who view abortion as a solution to crisis or unplanned pregnancy. Evening Program of prayer, Gospel readings and music begins at **7:00pm** at **St. George Reformed Episcopal Church, 134 Emerson St., Hamilton**, followed by a short walk to Main St. for a half-hour of prayer and silent witness across from McMaster Children's Hospital. Afterward we'll return to St. George's for hot drinks, fellowship and a short presentation by Rev. Dr. Wayne Hancock. This is an outdoor event. Please dress warmly and according to weather conditions. Signs and battery-operated candles will be supplied. Please go to our website to register: HamiltonRightToLife.org/events

RESTART: MOVING FORWARD

Have you experienced a divorce or separation? Are you looking to learn ways to cope, for support from others and to gain a feeling of moving forward? Our 10 week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal or simply learn more. The sessions will run **Tuesdays from Feb. 17 – April 21, 2026** from 7-9 pm and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988, ext. 2249. familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

ENHANCING SELF-ESTEEM

This program provides the opportunity to increase awareness of yourself and to learn specific skills for building a positive self-esteem. It can help you to feel stronger in all areas of your life. Issues covered during the course include taking responsibility for your own thoughts and feelings, positive ways to behave assertively and setting realistic goals for your future. The program will run **Tuesdays from Feb. 17 – April 21** from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West Hamilton. Cost is \$35 for materials. Registration online can be found by going to hamiltondiocese.com and looking for the date under Upcoming Events, or by contacting Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

THE [**REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL**](#) is back with another year of enlightening films and meaningful dialogue! Our lineup for 2026 explores topics of housing insecurity, intellectual freedom, Indigenous rights, and ecological debt. Visit us online at <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/> to view our full event schedule, learn more about our films, and register for screenings. A partnership between the [Bishop Farrell Library & Archives](#) and [Development and Peace](#), the [Reel Justice Film Festival](#) shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

FAMILY MINISTRY OFFICE

Marriage is a journey that two people undertake with a plan to navigate life together. When researchers investigate what makes the journey both long and happy, many things come into play, but a strong one is repeated by most: "I married my best friend." It is good to ask yourself then, are you being a good friend to your spouse? Do you spend time together, share parts of your day, invite them to share in an event with you, watch a movie together, or even a series that can become together time? Do you call once in a while to say hello during the time you are not together and plan time for your spouse in your agenda – everyday? Are you patient when they make a mistake, are not perfect, or let you down? Friendships thrive and last in this kind of environment, so make friendship a foundation of your marriage.

Teresa Hartnett, Family Ministry Office; 905-528-7988 ext. 2250



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