

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.

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday March 3rd - NO MASS

Tuesday March 4th - 7pm Mass - Vincenzo & Mario Raso,
Fazio Concetta, Russo Francesco, Special Intentions of
the Sison family

Ash Wednesday March 5th - 9:00am - Exaltina Pereira

7:00pm Mass - Pro Populo

Thursday March 6th - 9:00am - Frank Fontana

First Friday March 7th 9:00am - Carmela Ippolito

Adoration 6:00pm, Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

Saturday March 8th 5:00pm - Ernesto Cipparone, Virgilio

Camposilvan, Helena Columbus, Attilio Rinaldo, Barbara

Berlingieri, Ian Macedo, Evarist Correia, Laura

McCormack, Helen Dunphy

Sunday March 9th 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:

Special Intentions of Tricia & Arnold D'Cruz

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday:	Rev. Joseph Akanbi
Tuesday:	Rev. Charles Jordan
Wednesday:	Ash Wednesday
Thursday:	Rev. Lourdy Dorismond
Friday:	Parish staff/ World Day of Prayer
Saturday:	Rev. Hanh Van Tran

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



Joel 2.12-18

2 Corinthians 5.20-6.2

Matthew 6.1-6,16-18

"Whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites."



IN OUR PARISH

SUNDAY OFFERINGS

Sunday January 19th, 2025, \$ 4671.25

Parish Centre Collection \$ 107.00

Thank you for your support!

From the Pastor's Desk

We are presenting to the parish our annual Spiritual and Financial Report this weekend. Please see a copy of the report on the back tables in the Narthex. Thanks to everyone who contributes both spiritually and financially. Your contributions have helped us see another year of growth. Just the fact that we now have to keep the gates to the school yard open at every Mass for extra parking is a testament to this. We begin the season Lent this week with Ash Wednesday. We use this time to draw nearer to the Lord Jesus through increased prayer, fasting, almsgiving. May we use this time well so that we may experience with joy the glory of Easter.

Fr. Paul

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"In the Lord your labour is not in vain." Is the Lord calling you to work in His vineyard? Pray to hear God's call. If God is calling you, to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton t 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Ash Wednesday Masses

Wednesday 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.

Congratulations

Congratulations to the nearly 100 grade 7 students from our parish who were confirmed last Saturday by Bishop Crosby. We pray that as they are sealed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit, they may be more like Christ, the anointed one.

Stations of the Cross

During Lent, every Friday evening we will have the 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.

Regina Mundi Parish

Is organizing a bus trip to Franciscan University in Steubenville Ohio to attend the Defending the Faith Conference during Aug 1-3, 2025. Some of the most sought-after Catholic apologists, scripture scholars and evangelists will come together to lead you more deeply in your faith. Your life will be renewed in the Spirit through reverent liturgies, Eucharistic adoration, uplifting music and joyful fellowship. An information session will be held at the Regina Mundi parish hall, 631 Mohawk Road West (corner of Upper Paradise), on Tuesday March 18, from 6:00 to 6:45 p.m. For more info, contact Tom Sauder 905-387-5447.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in June 2025 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Tax Receipts

Your Tax receipts have been mailed out on Thurs Feb 20th

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.

ReSTART: Moving Forward

Our 10-week program offers education and support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The sessions will be offered from March 24 - June 9 (no sessions April 21 & May 19) and are held at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join our zoom classroom if you are from outside the Hamilton area. Cost is \$35 for materials, but no one is turned away. To register go to hamiltondiocese.com and look for the date under Upcoming Events, or contact Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, or e-mail familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

WHEN LIFE CHANGES

Has someone you cared about died? Are you grieving the loss of the person's presence in your life? Are you looking for relief from the feelings associated with the loss of this loved one? You are not alone! The Hamilton Diocese is offering our six-week grief program from April 23rd to May 28th, 2025. The program runs from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in Hamilton, to register go to hamiltondiocese.com and look for the start date under upcoming events on the home page.

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In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he shall direct your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6

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