Annunciation of Our Lord Parish

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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Paul Edmondstone, Pastor Susan Healy, 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 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 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 George or Josie at 905-512-9050



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.

First Saturday Mass 9:00 a.m. - Confessions 8:15 - 8:45 a.m.

PERPETUAL ADORATION IN OUR ADORATION CHAPEL

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every First Friday of the month 6:00 - 7:00 p.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

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 May 15 – No Mass

<u>Tuesday May 16-</u>7pm-Rose & Mario Mazzacato, Joann Marchese, Angelo Bartolatta, Special intentions of Annunciation Parish altar servers, Henry Gazda, Rodulfo Melencion, Special intentions of the Sison Family

Wednesday May 17-9am-Domenico & Elvira Maniccia

Thursday, May 18-9am-Joseph Mercurio

Friday, May 19- 9am-Anna Rocco

Saturday May 20 - 5 pm-Deceased members of the Monti Family, Christ Domet, Filippina Gibilaro, Yolanda & Giulio Cappelletti, George Thomas, Miroslaw Mlynorczyk (2nd Anniversary), Michael Winn, Maria De Deus Oliveira, Antonio, Maria Manuel & Joe Cacilhas, Elio Capretta

Sunday May 21

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:

In loving memory of Giuseppe & Filomena D'Agata, love from your daughter Giuseppina.

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Monday: Rev. Michael McHugh

Tuesday: Rev. Msgr. Raymond Modeski+

WednesdaySeminariansThursday:Rev. Robert SimsFriday:Rev. Arthur ScidmoreSaturday:Rev. James Curtin

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



Acts 1.1-11 Ephesians 1.17-23 Matthew 28.16-20

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations."

SUNDAY OFFERINGS



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Sunday April 23, 2023
Regular Sunday Offerings \$4,713.20
Indigenous \$345.00
Easter \$20.00
Building Fund \$5.00
Thank you for your support!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

This weekend at the 11:30 Mass we will crown the statue of Our Lady to honour her in a particular way during the month of May. I am often moved as I see parishioners, from the youngest amongst us to the oldest, light a candle at the shrine dedicated to her in our church. It shows that as Catholics we simply know we have a Mother in heaven who is praying for us, protecting us, loving us- and that we can go to her with our joys and sorrows. So, during this month we honour Our Lady with a crown, but we always honour her with our prayers knowing that she will lead us to her Divine Son. We ask her intercession under her title as patroness of our parish, Our Lady of the Annunciation, pray for us!

- Fr. Paul

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MOVIE NIGHT

The Knights of Columbus will be screening "Mother Teresa: No Greater Love" on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 7:00pm in the parish centre. All are invited to attend. There will be a good will offering at the door and the Annunciation Youth Group will be selling refreshments to fund their activities. More information can be found on the insert in today's bulletin. We are excited to be able to screen this movie for all parishioners. We hope you'll join us!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BOTTLE DRIVE

The next parish bottle drive will be on Sunday, May 28, the week after Victoria Day long weekend. Parishioners can drop their bottles off at the parish centre doors from 10am until 1:00pm. We will also be accepting non-perishable food items, especially baby supplies. All funds will go towards the local food banks. The next bottle drive will be on Sunday, July 9.

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY!!

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"The Lord said, "I will not leave you orphaned." Pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, religious and consecrated life. If God is calling you, 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 Baby Bottle Campaign Mothers' Day – Fathers' Day

Our church is once again partnering with Hamilton Right to Life through the 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign from Mothers' Day to Fathers' Day. Baby Bottles will be available to take after the Mass on Sunday May 14th, Mothers' Day, and you are asked to return them on Sunday June 18th, Fathers' Day. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your coins, paper money or cheque. Hamilton Right to Life needs your support to raise money to educate, advertise, and get the message throughout the City of Hamilton of the devastating effects of abortion and other life-threatening issues. Please pray for families affected by abortion today. You can learn more about Hamilton Right to Life at www.HamiltonRightToLife.org or by calling 905-528-3065

Young Adults Night – June 3, 2023

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our Diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, June 3rd at St. Joseph, Patron of Canada (64 Church Street East, Acton, Ontario). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

"Wanted: two well-tuned, used bikes for two teenagers looking for summer jobs and requiring transportation. Please leave your name and contact information at the office if you are willing and able to donate these to an immigrant family in our area. Thank you for your consideration, the St. Vincent de Paul Team."

STRUGGLING AFTER AN ABORTION?

Your own, or someone else's? Do you feel alone, emotional, or angry? Project Rachel is available to help – you can heal from the pain. This confidential service allows people to work through their feelings on an individual basis, with a trained counsellor, to find hope and healing. **Please contact us at 905-526-1999 or toll free at 1-888-385-3850.** Your call is important to us!

ANNUAL MISSIONARY COOPERATION PLAN

A representative of the Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary will be with us on the weekend of June 3/4. 2023. The community was founded in Ireland in 1924 to work with the women of Nigeria, West Africa. The Missionary Sisters of the Holy Rosary are now an international community working in nine countries of Africa and in Brazil. They serve in all forms of education, medical work, pastoral work, community development and agriculture and assisting trafficked women, internally displaced families and the homeless. They are a strictly missionary group with no institutions in the United States or Canada, so therefore rely almost exclusively on funds provided through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith and the generosity of the people here to support their sisters on a mission. The Sisters ask for your prayers of support as well as for any contribution you can make to assist them. You will be remembered in their daily prayer. If you like to read more about them, their website is: www.mshr.org.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: MOTHERS DAY DRIVE FOR BIRTHRIGHT

As a parish, we have the opportunity again to purchase gift items for moms and newborns in support of the work of Birthright in downtown Hamilton. Starting May 6, please take a gift tag from the mobiles at the back of the church and bring your item back by May 21/22 with the tag included. It truly is an encouragement to moms to have this tangible support! Thank you for your generosity and prayers on their behalf."

SPRING MEMORIAL MASS AT HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY

The Spring Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Saturday, May 27, at 11:00. Light refreshments will be served following the Mass. All are welcome!

ACTIVE SENIORS GROUP

Active Seniors Group meeting Thursday May 25, 2023 at 7 pm in the Parish Hall to make summers plans. All welcome. If you want to be involved but not attend that night, please contact Jack at 905-388-9837 or jackfrei44@gmail.com.

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