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Office Hours

Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.,
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.,
8:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses

Monday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. (Except Tuesday)
Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

Adoration

Fridays in Jul & Aug: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
Fridays (Sep - Jun): 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

1st Fridays 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Saturdays 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

New Parishioners

Welcome to our parish! If you are new or have not yet registered, we invite you to complete a Parish Registration Form, available on our website or at the entrance of the church. There are various ways to donate to the parish and information is available on our website or through the office.

Sacraments

For information about the sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, please visit our website or contact the parish office.

Marriages

Couples planning to marry must be registered and practicing parishioners. They are required to contact a parish priest at least one year prior to their intended wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

If your loved one is homebound and seriously ill, injured, or elderly, please contact the parish office. If your loved one is in the hospital, kindly inform the nursing staff to arrange a visit from a priest.

Catholic Funeral Arrangements

When a death occurs and you wish to request a Catholic funeral, please first contact your funeral home service provider. They will coordinate directly with the parish on your behalf. If you are not using a funeral home service, please contact the parish office for further information.

Diocese of Hamilton

Please visit www.hamiltondiocese.com

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DEC 14, 2025

Dec 15 – Dec 21, 2025
WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

DATE **MASS INTENTIONS**
MONDAY Dec 15, 2025
9:00am Mass Int. of Carmine Tompkins-Derose

TUESDAY Dec 16, 2025
7:00pm Mass Ines & Carlos Vidal

WEDNESDAY Dec 17, 2025
9:00am Mass Vincenzo Cipriani

THURSDAY Dec 18, 2025
9:00am Mass Joe Sargo

FRIDAY Dec 19, 2025
9:00am Mass Ermine & Daniel Delpino
9:30am – 12:00pm Adoration

SATURDAY Dec 20, 2025
9:00am Mass Intentions:
Harold Coleman Alphonso & Lobo Family
Helen McHugh Int. of Karolina Durkalec
Kathleen Donnelly Int. of the Unborn
5:00pm Mass Intentions:
Rudy Korosec Onesta & Francesco Notarangelo
Cassius Ustynsky Jose Andrade Figueira
Thomas Gervin Paul Felix Figueira
Levy Abrenica Luigi & Pacetta Pavoni
Vivelinda Leonardo Int. of Fernando Agostinho Lopes
Maria & Luis Nguyen

SUNDAY Dec 21, 2025 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
9:00am Mass (*Livestream*)
11:00am Mass
8:00pm Mass

Vocation View

"See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Are you one to be sent? If God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

E-mail vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/>

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

Monday: Numbers 24.2-7, 15-17a, Matthew 21.23-27
Tuesday: Zephaniah 3.1-2, 9-13, Matthew 21.28-32
Wednesday: Genesis 49.2, 8-10, Matthew 1.1-17
Thursday: Jeremiah 23.5-8, Matthew 1.18-24
Friday: Judges 13.2-7, 24-25a, Luke 1.5-25
Saturday: Isaiah 7.10-14; 8.10d, Luke 1.26-38
Sunday: Isaiah 7.10-14, Romans 1.1-7, Matthew 1.18-24

HAMILTON DIOCESE WEEKLY PRAYER CALENDAR

We pray for the following people or groups:

Monday: Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
Tuesday: Rev. Stanley Nwokeji
Wednesday: Voluntas Dei Institute, i.v.Dei.
Thursday: Rev. Zygmunt Baranowski
Friday: Rev. Donald Sanvido
Saturday: Rev. David Weise



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RCIA December Update

This month our RCIA explores Advent and the anticipation of the birth of our Saviour. We then take a break for a few weeks allowing the team to refresh, reflect and spend time with loved ones. When we gather in the new year, we have a busy schedule as we dive deeper into the sacraments. Please keep the RCIA in your prayers as they experience Christmas in a new way this year.

St. John Bible Heritage Edition

The parish is excited to be hosting the diocesan St. John Bible Heritage Edition from January 14th to 18th as part of our 40th Anniversary celebrations. There will be an opportunity to see the Bible following weekend masses with docents present to explain its significance, a formation workshop for all adults and an art workshop for all ages on January 17th. More details will be available in the coming weeks!

Bible Study Part 2

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible study continues with Part 2 commencing on January 22nd and running for 24 weeks over the course of the year, taking breaks for Easter and summer. Join Father Francisco on Thursday evenings 7-9pm and explore the mysteries of the Bible for a deeper understanding of scripture. Registration is required. There is a material fee of \$50. Register online and get access to the full schedule as well.

2026 Offertory Envelopes

The 2026 Offertory Envelopes are now available for pick up in the Narthex. The 2026 Offertory Envelopes were re-issued for parishioners who have contributed a minimum of \$50 in 2025. For parishioners who wish to contribute periodically, there are visitor envelopes at the Greeter's Desk and online options through our parish website. We invite you to begin contributing regularly using weekly envelopes. Please contact the office if you wish to do so. We sincerely thank all our donors for their continued generosity and faithful support of our parish.

Christmas and Advent Schedule

Our Parish Advent and Christmas Schedule is posted on our website. Please visit our [website](#) or scan the code for detailed information on the Mass and Confession times. Please note that the last day for Confession during Advent will be December 13, 2025. Confessions will resume in January.



2025 Tax Year – Donation Deadline

To ensure donations are included in the 2025 tax receipt, cash and cheque donations must be received by the parish no later than Sunday, **December 28, 2025**, to allow sufficient time for processing and deposit. E-transfer donations must be received in 2025 to be credited to the 2025 tax year. Tax receipts for 2025 will be issued to those who contributed \$50 or more and may be issued for amounts under \$50 upon request from the office. Thank you very much for your generosity and support.

Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Your CWL council is seeking members interested in joining our Executive Committee – **nominations are due Wednesday December 17th, 2025**. We invite every woman of our parish over the age of 16 to join your St Paul's CWL Council and grow with us in faith, service to church and community, and connect with your sisters in faith through spiritual growth, social justice, and shared action. For new and returning members, gentle reminder to please submit your annual membership dues of \$40 to us via e-transfer to stpaulCWL@gmail.com or use your blue envelopes and drop them off at the church. Please include your full name and contact information. Thank you!



30 Minutes B.C. A Nativity Play



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An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

St. Paul the Apostle Young Adults Group

You are invited to join St. Paul the Apostle Parish's young adult group—a place to meet new friends, share meaningful conversations, and grow in faith together. If you are looking for a community of

people, ages 19 and older, who are eager to deepen their relationship with God and support one another on the journey, this is the perfect place for you. Come and see what God can do when we walk together in faith, friendship, and joy. Let's do that together! Please register using the QR code above.



Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will not be running on December 21st, December 28th & January 4th for the Christmas Break. We will resume on January 11th. Wishing all our families a meaningful Advent & Christmas season.

Livestream Update

After careful consideration, the livestream of our Sunday morning Mass will be discontinued effective January 2nd. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the volunteers who made the livestream possible for the last 5 years. We are grateful for the parishioners who have joined us online, especially during times when gathering in person was difficult. The last livestream event will take place on January 1st, the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God.

THANK YOU from the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Thank you to our parishioners for your generous contributions to the 2025 Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Angel Tree program. Your support allowed us to help those less fortunate in our community celebrate Christmas, with food cards for groceries and gift cards to assist with holiday shopping. This year's program assisted 69 families living within our St. Paul the Apostle parish boundary, including 108 adults and 104 children. We also assisted 25 children currently in the care of Halton Children's Aid Society, Burlington Office.

A big thank you to St. Christopher, St. Anne, Ascension and St. Patrick elementary schools for their help with senior bags. Together we will deliver personalized gift bags to provide something special to 86 seniors-in-need in our community, living in long-term care settings. These generous gifts are important and much appreciated. We also want to thank St. Timothy elementary school for their food drive that helped stock the food pantry for one of our other Burlington SSVF conferences. In total, the support of our parish community allowed us to bring a little more Christmas to 194 adults and 115 children.

We want to take this opportunity to thank our parish Knights of Columbus Council #17397 and our parish Catholic Women's League for their support of our program over the course of this past year. A sincere thank you and have a Blessed Merry Christmas.

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