

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Masses Intentions

December 10 -13, 2024

Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	† Silvio Sacco † Souls in Purgatory
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	† Bob McGoey
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	† In Thanksgiving
Friday	8:30 a.m.	† John McCarthy

Saturday Multiple Mass Intentions

December 14, 2024

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Tony Florio † Frank Crowley † Milka Krivec † Velia Javier
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VOCATIONAL PRAYER CALENDAR

December 11 - 14, 2024

Mon.	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tue.	Rev. Lawrence Parent
Wed.	Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer
Thurs	National Day of Prayer in Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples
Fri.	Rev. John Ha
Sat.	Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.

VOCATION VIEW

Second Sunday of Advent - December 8, 2024

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother, or sister to help our world of today to truly “prepare the way of the Lord”?_ If you feel God may be selecting you for the special life of priest, religious or deacon, call Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

😊 SUNDAY FUNNY



“I’m making sure I get my five daily portions.”



ADVENT REFLECTION

Come, Lord Jesus!

In the month of December, there is so much to prepare. Our to-do lists can be overwhelmed by the presents to buy, cookies to bake, and houses to decorate. Among the many plans, we must also make a spiritual plan to prepare our hearts for Christmas as Christ calls us to “prepare the way of the Lord” (Mt 3:3).

Our preparations may not always go as we plan. St. Joseph was betrothed to Mary and planned to live a long and happy life in Nazareth. However, God had a different plan. Joseph learned that Mary “was found [to be] with child through the Holy Spirit” (Mt 1:18). St. Joseph was a “righteous man” and planned to divorce her quietly to shield her from shame. But God had a different plan for Joseph. An angel appeared to him in a dream and told him to take Mary as his wife and this unborn child as his own “because he will save his people from their sins” (Mt 1:21). Joseph did as the angel commanded him, putting aside his own plans and stepping with faith into the unknown season before him with trust in God to lead him.

In this Season of Advent, we are called to set aside our will and accept the will of God for our lives. We must repent from habits and behaviors that lead us *away* from God and spend this season seeking ways to *connect* with Christ in the Sacraments.

In this season, let us be healed by Our Lord through the Sacrament of Reconciliation and receive Him in the Most Blessed Sacrament so that we are prepared to welcome Him with peace when He comes at Christmas.

As always, know of my prayers before Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

+ Bishop Schlert

IN OUR PARISH



Join us for St. Patrick’s Parish Penance Celebration on **Thursday, December 19th, from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm**. Priests will be available to hear confessions in preparation for the Christmas season.



Join us for a beautiful 7-part Bible series on The Joyful Mysteries, beginning on Monday, December 9th, from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Our world is desperately in need of a joyful Christian witness. To fully appreciate the Joyful Mysteries, we must enter into the longing and waiting of Israel and imagine a world without a Savior. Let our hearts grow in anticipation for the coming of Christ, who exceeded our wildest expectations. Join us for faith formation, heartfelt discussion, and joy.

FORMED IS NOW LIVE!!!!!!!

As a parishioner, you now have free access to a vast library of Catholic movies, audiobooks, radio talks, podcasts, studies, and much more—it’s like a Catholic version of Netflix! This "Catholic Faith On Demand" resource is for all parishioners, young and old, and in-between! Log in and see what’s waiting for you!!!! Here’s how to get started: Go to: <https://formed.org/> Go to the top of the page and look for: "Find your parish subscription." Create your personal account by looking for the parish name, St. Patrick’s, by using the postal code: **L7L (space) 4L8** (St Patrick's should pop up)



CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Calling all children and families! St. Patrick’s Parish is pleased to organize another dramatization of the Christmas Gospel for the Christmas Eve Mass at 5:00 pm! Families are reminded of the rehearsal schedule in the table below. Please make sure to attend all rehearsals to ensure a smooth performance. All rehearsals will begin in the **Parish Hall**. We’re excited for another community building event for this special time of year!

Rehearsal Focus	Date & Time
Rehearsal: Blocking the Movement	Sunday, December 15th (After the 9 am Mass)
Full Run Through**	Sunday, December 22nd (After the 9 am Mass)
Day of Mass: Dress Rehearsal	Tuesday, December 24th at 4:00 pm

** = Some costume pieces distributed to families for children to wear on Christmas Eve Mass



CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE

Our annual Christmas Bazaar raised, \$9,608.59 (up from last year). We will be donating \$1,000 to Ozanam Fund now ,due to the Christmas season need. Many other charities will also benefit. There is a list of the 2024 recipients who have benefited from your generosity on the table in the narthex.

Mark your calendars for December 12th @ 1:00 pm for our CWL Christmas Lunch and the deodorant drive for the Food bank.

Our heartfelt thanks to all in the community who donated and came out to support the bazaar. We couldn’t do this without you. A special mention of our partners, the Knight of Columbus, we very much appreciated all their help.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

JUBILEE OF HOPE, 2025 The Diocese of Hamilton joins the celebration of the Global Church in this Ordinary Jubilee Year, 2025, as “Pilgrims of Hope!” We are all invited to journey through this year drawing closer to God through prayer, service and experiences of renewal. Six churches have been designated as pilgrimage sites across the Diocese, welcoming you as a visitor over the course of the Jubilee to come and pray. Resources, information and locations of the pilgrimage sites are all made available on the Diocesan Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

Pope Francis will open the Holy Door of the Basilica of St. Peter’s in Rome on Christmas Eve, inaugurating the Jubilee Year. In Cathedrals around the world and in our Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, the Holy Year will be inaugurated on December 28-29, 2024, the Feast of the Holy Family. The year will be officially launched in each Parish in the Diocese on this same day. The Jubilee Year of Hope will conclude n January 6, 2026.

“In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite our not knowing what the future may bring... may the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope.”
Pope Francis, *Spes non confundit*.

CHRISTMAS WITH THE CHOSEN:

December 12, 2024 (7:00-8:00pm)

The Office for Evangelization and Catechesis invites you to a live virtual viewing party of “The Shepherd”, a special Christmas episode of “*The Chosen*,” reflecting on the birth of Christ through the eyes of a young shepherd. This one hour gathering will include prayer, free streaming of the 20-minute episode, and well wishes for the Advent Season. Gather your friends and family, make the popcorn, and join us for this wonderful opportunity to prepare for the coming of our Savior! Registration is free and can be made here: <https://bit.ly/ChristmaswiththeChosen2024>