

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Masses Intentions

January 7 - 10, 2025

Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	† Franca Alfano † Hilma Clarke
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	† Danny & Holly Lacey
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	† Norma Petitti
Friday	8:30 a.m.	Int of Opal & Ellard Bane

Saturday Multiple Mass Intentions

January 11, 2025

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Claudina Paul
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VOCATIONAL PRAYER CALENDAR

January 6 - 11, 2025

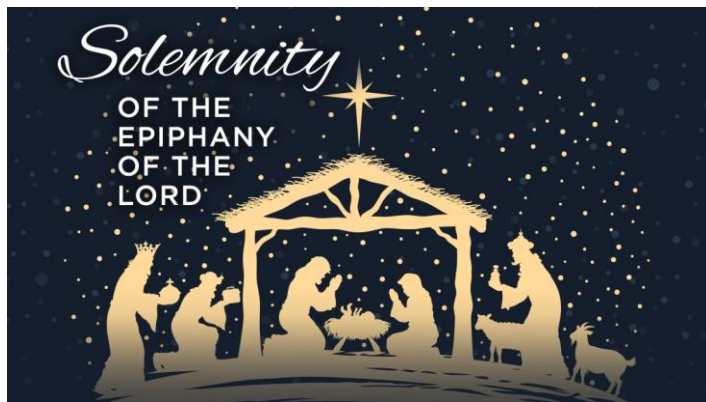
Mon.	Rev. Joseph Ahilan, C.R.S.P.
Tue.	Rev. Benedict T. Insigne, C.R.S.P.
Wed.	Diocesan Priests
Thurs	Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.
Fri.	Rev. David Avila
Sat.	Married Couples

VOCATION VIEW

Epiphany of the Lord - January 5, 2025

“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 treasures have been given to you to share with others in Christ’s name? 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



REFLECTION

Today, we commemorate the Epiphany of the Lord, in which Jesus is revealed as the Messiah of Israel and Savior of the world. It is especially a revelation of Jesus as Messiah to the Gentiles, symbolizing the inclusion of all nations, languages, and peoples in God's plan of salvation.

I invite you to analyze the decisions made by the wise men from the East – the Magi – on their way to find Jesus. Being themselves “outsiders”, not originating from Jerusalem, it took faith on their part to embark on a long and arduous journey to find a newborn King, not of their countries, but of the Jews. They came prepared with gifts which tells us that they had the conviction that they would find Him.

Wisdom guided them to seek out guidance and permission from the one who had authority over the land, King Herod, and to inquire from him on the exact location of the birth of this newborn King. Once they received instruction, they continued their way following solely the guidance of a star. They possessed the wisdom of elders and the childlike faith that a star would guide them to their destination.

The Magi were obedient and humble. They stopped right at the location where the star led them. Upon entering the house, they immediately prostrated themselves – laying themselves on the ground in reverence and submission – before a baby. Faith told them that this was not just a baby, this was a King. They did not question His littleness, the humble home where they found Him, His humanly appearance – they simply prostrated themselves in adoration.

Lastly, they wisely listened and obeyed the dream that warned them not to return to Herod, even though this had been Herod’s request. In doing so, the Magi demonstrated their discernment. And so, I pray that we may seek the wisdom, and obedience of the Magi in our everyday lives and come to our Lord today with a posture of adoration, humility, and faith.

Bishop Schlert



Thank you to all parishioners for your Prayers and Good Wishes this Christmas season. Thank you for Gifts & Cards to myself & staff. Your wonderful good will is truly appreciated! May 2025 be a year filled with grace and favour for St. Patrick’s Parish Community and I extend my personal Blessing to all!

FR. GODWIN & STAFF!

Happy New Year!

God of Newness, Bless this year! Help us to learn from the mistakes of yester-year and begin this year with a clean heart. As we make our individual promises to you, help us to fulfill our oaths. Give us strength to preserve and maintain a true course.

May hope, love, and warmth be in your heart and may the 2025 New Year bring you and your family many blessings.

Fr. Godwin and Staff

IN OUR PARISH



Join us for a beautiful 7-part Bible series on The Joyful Mysteries, beginning on Monday, January 6, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 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.

2025 BOXED ENVELOPES

The 2025 boxed sets of envelopes are ready for pick up. They are in Alphabetical Order, located in the parish hall. Please help us by picking yours up today. If you have requested envelopes and cannot find a boxed set with your name on it, please contact Bonnie in the parish office. Please be careful and double check the name on box so you don't take someone else's with the same or similar surname. If you are not currently using the boxed sets of envelopes and would like to start or if you would prefer to use Direct Debit, please call Bonnie at the parish office.

Please Note: We have reduced our costs by cutting back on the number of boxed sets we order. Please know that if you had a boxed set of envelopes above 351 you have been assigned a new #.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

JUBILEE 2025: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Diocese of Hamilton joins the celebration of the Global Church in this Ordinary Jubilee Year, 2025, as "Pilgrims of Hope!" 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 available on the Diocesan Website: www.hamiltondiocese.com.

On December 29, 2024, the Feast of the Holy Family the Jubilee Year was inaugurated in our Cathedral Church and all parishes in the Diocese of Hamilton.

Each month in the Diocese of Hamilton, we will pray for **Hero's of Hope** – those members of our parishes and communities who offer hope to those in need by their ministries and service. During January, we pray for those who serve in Parish Ministries:

Lord God, by the grace of our baptism, you have given us new life in Christ and called us to serve as pilgrims of hope.

We pray in thanksgiving for those who have responded to your call to be leaders in our parish community and for the volunteers who dedicate their gifts for the building up of your Church and the service of their sisters and brothers.

Through their varied ministries, may they touch the hearts of all in our community who long for the hope, born of our Christian faith, that never disappoints.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL Join us **January 23, 2025, 7:00 – 9:00 PM** for ***She Rises Up***, a revealing look at the power of women's economic participation. The film follows radically different women from Sri Lanka, Peru, and Senegal who are working to build businesses, create job opportunities for women, and contribute to the reduction of poverty in their communities. **Film Director, Maureen Castle Tusty and Executive Producer James Tusty will join us as guest speakers.** In 2008, they founded Sky Films Inc. to produce documentary films that inform, uplift, and inspire. **The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register and view our full schedule of events at:** <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/> 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.