

Mass for the Intentions Week

Tuesday December 12, 2023

7:00 p.m. Cathy Doody
req family
Father Mike Downey
req Mike Morton
Reynaldo Guibao
req Rick & Barb Llewelin
Denise Dean
req family
Marjorie & Jim Hubbard
req Gus & Aldona Hubbard

Thursday, December 14, 2023

9:15 a.m. Frederick Paul Mielko
req Sacred Heart Parish
Bridget Van Kooten
req Lynn Falkiner
Ronald Peet
req Tessie Valledor

Sunday, December 17, 2023

9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart Parish

Tuesday, December 19, 2023

7:00 p.m. Cathy Doody
req family
Kanta Benjamin
req Chuck & Theresa Emberson
Peter O'Hagan
req Carolyn Lupton
Mary Lee Perro
req Gus & Aldona Hubbard

Thursday, December 21, 2023

9:15 a.m. Frederick Paul Mielko
req Staff of Sacred Heart School
Anthony Ghilardi
req Beverley Ghilardi
Angelo Antonello
req Staff of Sacred Heart School

Sunday, December 24, 2023

9:00 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of Sacred Heart Parish

Weekly Donations

Sunday, Nov. 26, 2023 Total Revenue \$3,054.20

Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023 Total Revenue \$4,684.50



SECOND SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

All I Can Hear

A voice cries out: In the desert prepare the way of the Lord!

Isaiah 40:3

My left ear was blocked. It wasn't painful, just annoying, not only because of what was obscured but most of all because of which sounds dominated: mine. My own voice blasted through my head when I spoke. When I chewed, it was like pebbles rattling in a can. How tiresome it was to have my experience of the world dominated by...myself.

During these days of Advent, a voice echoes from the wilderness of Judea. There's a lot in my life obscuring that voice: busyness, all that I read, watch and listen to through the media. And then, well, there's the loudest competing voice of all: my own. My opinions, my assumptions, even my concerns. Boy, they are loud. Sometimes that's all I can hear

Can I quiet them for just a moment – and listen?

Word of God, I seek quiet so I may focus on you. St. John the Baptist, pray for us. Amy Welborn

Vocation Prayer Calendar

Mon. Dec. 11 Rev. Andrew Lopatniuk
Tues. Dec. 12 Married Catholics
Wed. Dec. 13 Congregation of the Holy Redeemer
Thur. Dec. 14 Rev. Wallace Metcalf
Fri. Dec. 15 Rev. Charles Galea
Sat. Dec. 16 Rev. Robert Kiffman
Mon. Dec. 18 Rev. Msgr. Theodore Slamen
Tues. Dec. 19 Single Catholics
Wed. Dec. 20 Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v.Dei.)
Thur. Dec. 21 Rev. Gabriel Morais Catarino
Fri. Dec. 22 Rev. Ronald Hodara
Sat. Dec. 23 Rev. Donald Wilhelm

The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Could God's "particular task" for you be a call to a Church vocation? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Women's Evening Social

All women of Most Blessed Sacrament and Sacred Heart Parishes are welcome to join us for an evening of prayer on Tuesday, December 12th at Sacred Heart Church. We will begin with Mass at 7:00 p.m., followed by prayers and social in the Parish Centre. We will also be hosting an optional cookie exchange. For more information for the Cookie Exchange, please click the following link: t.ly/RLPUE

Christmas Schedule

Christmas Eve Mass December 24th 6:00 p.m.
Christmas Day Mass December 25th 9:00 a.m.
New Year's Day Mass January 1st 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation Times

Tuesday, December 12th 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 19th 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 21st 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.

Christmas Giving Tree

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to the Christmas Giving Tree. You can be sure that you will brighten many families Christmas morning. God bless you!

Come Home for Christmas

Any time is a good time to invite family, friends, and neighbours to attend Mass. Especially so during the beautiful Christmas season. What better gift can we give a loved one who is away from the Church than a warm invitation to Come Home for Christmas? Whether they have been away for a short time or a long time, we want all Catholics to know that they are warmly welcomed back to our Parish community. Please consider extending this invitation to loved ones, neighbours, and colleagues – for more information, visit <http://hamiltondiocese.com>

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in February 2024 & supports the church service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Don't forget about our Parish Centre

Ideal for anniversaries, small wedding receptions, baptisms, birthday parties and showers. To inquire about booking, please call 905-387-6650.

Vocations Mass and Young Adults Night – January 5th – Hamilton

The Serra Club of Hamilton invites all parishioners to attend a Mass for vocations at 6:00pm. Following the Mass, Fr. Mark Morley invites young adults to attend a night of Adoration, fellowship and praise music in celebration of the Christmas Season. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:30pm), praise night and vocations talk (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Friday, January 5th at Annunciation of Our Lord (280 Limeridge Rd W, Hamilton, ON L9C 2V2). Co-sponsored by the Serra Club of Hamilton and the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Advent Prayer Night for Youth Ministers and Volunteers

All adults who minister to young people in the Diocese of Hamilton are invited to an evening of prayer and fellowship. Join us on Wednesday, December 13th at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish in Freelton for our Advent gathering. For more information and registration, email youthministry@hamiltondiocese.com.

Advent Resource for Teens

The Office of Youth Ministry is pleased to announce the release of the 2023 Advent Resource, "Shine Your Light". This resource has been developed for youth aged 13-16 in mind. The resource is an interactive journal, inspiring prayerful reflection on the Sunday Gospels, in addition to suggestions for living out the Advent Season. Special links and videos are included to help teens meditate on the weekly themes. You are invited to share this resource with the teens of your school communities. The resource is located here: <https://tinyurl.com/2s3h2ejs>

Christopher Leadership Course

Whether you are afraid of public speaking or would you like to take on a leadership role within your parish, the Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking can help. The next course begins Thursday evening, January 11, 2024, at McMaster University in Hamilton. To register or for more information, please visit www.clchamilton.com or call Frank at 905-662-4076.

