

## Mass for the Intentions Week

**Tuesday, December 27, 2022**

7:00 p.m. No mass

**Thursday, December 29, 2022**

9:00 a.m. No mass

**Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother of God –  
New Year's Day**

**Sunday, January 1, 2023**

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

**Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

7:00 p.m. Cathy Doody  
req family  
Kieran Begadon  
req Mike Morton  
Shirley Clarke  
req Ken & Sandra Babin  
Maria, Evaristo & Gene Carreiro  
req Oliver Carreiro  
Souls in Purgatory  
req Oliver Carreiro

**Thursday January 5, 2023**

9:00 a.m. Maria Bucciarelli  
req Peter & Carol O'Hagan & family

**The Epiphany of the Lord**

**Sunday, January 8, 2023**

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

### Feast of the Holy Family

Since Christmas falls on Sunday this year, the Feast of the Holy Family is on Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup>. There will be the usual Mass at **Most Blessed Sacrament Church** that day at 9:00 a.m. in order to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family.



### Weekly Donations

*Sunday, December 11, 2022*

Total Revenue \$5,346.00



### Are We Amazed?

**All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds.** Luke 2:18

From the birth of Jesus onward, a response of astonishment, wonder and sometimes bewilderment accompanied those associated with his presence. All through the Gospels, we continually read about this response. People are “amazed” when the shepherds tell them about the angels’ message and have seen the new born Child. Mary and Joseph are “amazed at what was said about him” (Luke 2:33) when Simon foretells the future of Jesus. When this twelve-year-old sits among the knowledgeable rabbis in the Temple, they are “astounded at his understanding and his answers” (Luke 2:47). And so it continues throughout his life. Wherever Jesus goes, whatever he does, it results in people’s awe and surprise.

What about us on this feast day commemorating his birth? What is our response to this person of great love who came and dwelt among us?

Sr. Joyce Rupp, O.S.M.

### *The Feast of the Holy Family – Friday Dec. 30, 2022* **‘The Peace of Christ’**

**And let the peace of Christ control your heart, the peace into which you were also called in one body.**

Colossians 3:15

From time to time, most of us too easily slide down the slippery slope of gossip, judging others for their misguided ways. Moments like this erode a more peaceful state of mind, and we quickly develop feelings of regret. Even with those we love dearly, we find estrangement and ill feelings that last far too long. St. Paul recognized the need for Christ’s peace and wisdom in every moment of life. Such peace can only lead us into serving others and away from focusing on ourselves. If our hearts are filled with praise and overflowing with gratitude, we cannot simultaneously be gossiping, taking our anger out on others or doing harm to God’s beautiful creation for selfish reasons. On this Feast of the Holy Family, let us be a tangible sign of God’s love in the world, helping to heal relationships with genuine humility and faith.

Deborah A. Meister

### Blessing Before the Christmas Meal

Lord our God, the coming of your Son brings joy to the whole world.

Fill us with your love, and the hungry with good things.

Bless our table and our home

And grant that the food we share

Increase our eagerness to serve you and each other.

Glory to you Lord,

In the wonder of your presence among us

Forever and ever. Amen

### Vocations

We celebrate the birth of our Lord into our world; however, many have not received the birth of our Lord into their hearts. If Christ lives in your heart and you would like to help others discover the Lord, you may be called to be a priest, religious, deacon, or consecrated virgin. Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

[www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/)

### Vocation Prayer Calendar

Mon. Dec. 26 Feast of the Holy Family  
 Tues. Dec. 27 Rev. Jerry Punnassery, C.M.I.  
 Wed. Dec. 28 Congregation of the Sisters of St. Anne (s.s.a.)  
 Thur. Dec. 29 Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.  
 Fri. Dec. 30 Rev. Peter Nwachukwu, O.C.D.  
 Sat. Dec. 31 Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony, E.V.  
 Mon. Jan. 2 Most Rev. Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.  
 Tues. Jan. 3 Rev. Piotr Machnacki, S.A.C.  
 Wed. Jan. 4 Diocesan Priests  
 Thur. Jan. 5 Rev. Ranjan D'Sa, O.C.D.  
 Fri. Jan. 6 Rev. Joseph Ahilan, C.R.S.P.  
 Sat. Jan. 7 Rev. Louis Lenssen, C.R.S.P.

### The Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass Is Back!

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available in early January at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

### Restart: Moving Forward

This is a new and updated 10 week program offering support to anyone seeking to heal and move forward after divorce or separation. The program runs from Tuesdays, March 21st to May 23rd. The sessions take place from 7-9 pm at the Chancery Office at 700 King St. West in person, or you are welcome to join our zoom classroom. Cost is \$25 for materials, but no one is turned away. Registration is required so please call Sarah at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, e-mail [familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com), or register on line at [ReSTART Program: Support for Separated and Divorced - Diocese of Hamilton \(hamiltondiocese.com\)](http://ReSTART Program: Support for Separated and Divorced - Diocese of Hamilton (hamiltondiocese.com)).

### Mastering Your Money: A Financial Wellness Presentation for the Diocese of Hamilton

Financial worries are the top source of stress for all Canadians, ranking above work concerns, health worries and even relationship struggles. The need for financial literacy has never been more pressing. Join us for this special zoom session on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 from 7-8:30 p.m., presented by Mr. Fred Masters, President & Founder of Masters Money Management Inc., and the author of the critically-acclaimed new book 'Lessons on Mastering Money'. He has delivered dozens of financial literacy presentations and is a sought-after media commentator on financial literacy. This is a free virtual event, but you must register at [hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com) under Upcoming events, or call 905-528-7988 ext. 2249, to receive the Zoom link.

### Collection Envelopes

Boxes of envelopes are at the back of the church. If you would like to have envelopes and do not find them at the back, please call the office at 905 383-3280 and we will make them available to you.

### Don't forget about our Parish Centre

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



