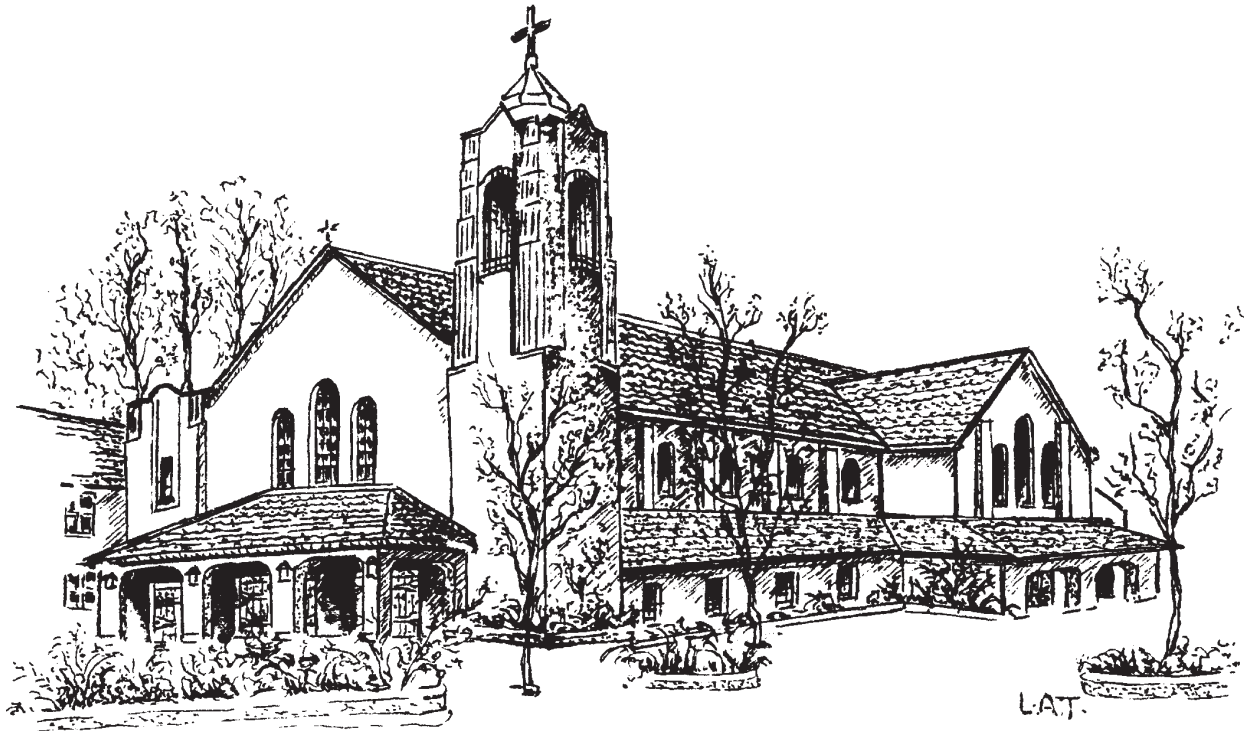


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## Parish Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Friday 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon

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## Schools in our Parish

Saint Ann's	905-523-2340
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Holy Name of Mary	905-523-2342
Immaculate Conception	905-523-2463

## Secondary School

Bishop Tonnos	905-523-2331
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## Sunday Mass Times

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

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:15 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.  
Saturday 8:15 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.  
4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

## Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.  
Friday After Morning Mass until 9:15 a.m.

## Marriage

You are asked to call the parish office to make wedding arrangements at least six months in advance.

## Baptism

Please call the parish office. Six weeks notice is usually required.

## Catholic Funeral Rites

When a death occurs in your family, please call the parish office and we will assist you in making the necessary liturgical arrangements.

## Parish Registration

If you are new to the parish, please fill out a registration form. These can be found at the main entrances. We ask you to inform our office if you are moving out of the parish.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



**Monday, December 7** *Solemnity of the Dedication  
of our Church of St. Ann's*

8:00a.m. † Fr. McNamara

**Tuesday, December 8** *Solemnity of the Immaculate  
Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

8:00a.m. *MISSA PRO POPULO*

7:00p.m. *MISSA PRO POPULO*

**Wed., December 9** *St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin*

8:00a.m. † Jordana Krikorian Page

**Thursday, December 10** *Our Lady of Loreto*

8:00a.m. Intentions of Lucille Gagnier

**Friday, December 11** *St. Damasus I*

8:00a.m. † Thomas and Veronica McGann

**Saturday, December 12** *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

9:00a.m. † Robert Hart

5:00p.m. † Saveria Barbaro

† Antonio & Serafina Mastandrea

† Adelina & Vincenzo & Joseph Spadaro

**Due to new COVID restrictions, visits to our parish office will be restricted. Also, check out our website occasionally to see any changes that may apply to St. Ann Parish. Please call the office if you should need an appointment or need to speak to one of our staff, 905-648-6874.**



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DONATIONS

As you can well imagine, the Christmas Season is particularly difficult for those living in poverty. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is active in our Parish and asks you to continue to donate your annual Christmas donation. If you are able, please dig a little deeper than usual to help those who are in need. Remember that Mary and Joseph relied on the charity of others that first Christmas.

### Diocesan Prayer Calendar Week of the December 6, 2020

*This week we especially pray for:*

Monday Rev. Adam Wroblewicz  
Tuesday Rev. Kevin D'Souza  
Wednesday Order of Preachers (Dominican)  
Thursday Rev. Peter Ciallella  
Friday Rev. Roshan Loy D'Souza  
Saturday Rev. Francis Salasiar

God, the source of creation and love, You invite each of us to serve You through the life which is your gift. May Your grace encourage men and women to heights of holiness through service to the Church as priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen

**The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph  
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### CHRISTMAS AT ST. ANN'S CHRISTMAS SEASON SCHEDULE CHRISTMAS EVE THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>

Christmas Mass 4:00pm  
Christmas Mass 6:00pm  
Christmas Mass 8:00pm  
Midnight Mass of Christmas (*Incense*) 12 midnight

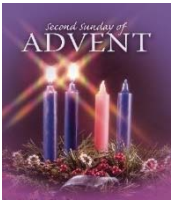
### CHRISTMAS DAY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup>

Christmas Mass 9:00am  
Christmas Mass 11:00am

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**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

“A voice of one crying out in the desert. ‘Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.’ [Mark 1:3](#)

On this, the Second Sunday of Advent, we are given the person of St. John the Baptist to ponder. What a gift he is! Jesus Himself stated that “among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist” ([Matthew 11:11](#)). What a compliment! What is it that made John so great? We can point to two things in particular. The first has to do with his calling and the second has to do with his virtue. First of all, John was great because he was the transition from the Old Testament Prophets to the New Testament. He was the bridge that prepared for the new life to come. His unique mission makes him truly great. But John was great not only because of his unique calling, he was also great because of the virtue he had in his life. And it is this gift that is worth pondering for our own inspiration more than any other.

The particular virtue that John had was that of humility. He saw himself as nothing other than a “voice of one crying out in the desert.” And the Word he spoke was Jesus.

John acknowledged that he was not even worthy to stoop down and untie the sandal straps of Jesus ([Mark 1:7](#)). He was praised by many and followed by many and yet he continuously said of Jesus that “He must increase and I must decrease” ([John 3:30](#)). John was not in it for praise and honor; rather, his mission was to point everyone to the Savior of the world. He could have sought the honor and praise of many and he would have certainly received it. They may have even made him king. But John was more than willing to fulfill his mission and then submit himself to the cruel sword of his executioner. His humility was such that he was focused only on Jesus and desired only to point to Him. Reflect, today, upon this humility in your own life. Do you tend to point to yourself or to Christ? Do you seek the praise of others or do you humbly point all praise and glory to God? Humility is the path that St. John the Baptist took and it’s the path we must strive for each and every day.

*Lord, thank You for the gift of St. John the Baptist. May his witness of humility inspire me in my Christian walk. Help me, Lord, to always point others to You rather than to myself. Jesus, I trust in You.*

<https://mycatholic.life/books/catholic-daily-reflections-series/advent-and-christmas-reflections/advent-week-two/>

**VOCATIONS**



John the Baptist is sent by God to prepare the way for His Son. In our present time God sends priests, religious and deacons to prepare the people to receive His Son. If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2246.

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

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



**CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS**

In the life of the body a man is sometimes sick, and unless he takes medicine, he will die. Even so in the spiritual life a man is sick on account of sin. For that reason he needs medicine so that he may be restored to health; and this grace is bestowed in the Sacrament of Penance. - *St. Thomas Aquinas*

**CHRISTMAS CONFESSION TIMES**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> 8:30-9:15AM  
7:00-9:00PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> 8:30-9:15AM  
7:00-9:00PM

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup> 6:00-6:45PM  
7:30-9:00PM

**REGULAR CONFESSION  
TIMES ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

TUESDAYS 6:00-6:45PM

SATURDAYS 8:00-8:45AM  
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