

St. Ann's Parish

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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

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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.



Monday, August 23

8:00a.m. Intentions of Margaret

Tuesday, August 24

7:00p.m. † Saveria Barbaro
 † Elia Travaglini
 † Dominico Matteucci
 † Angelo Fiorino

Wednesday, August 25

8:00a.m. † Leon & Rita Ducharme
 † Brian

Thursday, August 26

8:00a.m. † John & Kalla Kostas

Friday, August 27

8:00a.m. Intentions of Joe Kelly

Saturday, August 28

5:00p.m. † Anabela Catarino
 † Yong Hwa Cho
 † For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Diocesan Prayer Calendar
Week of the August 22, 2021

This week we especially pray for:

Monday	Rev. Msgr. Raymond Modeski
Tuesday	Rev. Franjo Sprajc
Wednesday	Ursuline Sisters (o.s.u.)
Thursday	Rev. Arthur Scidmore
Friday	Rev. Peter Meyer
Saturday	Rev. Donald Sanvido

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

Important Announcement from the Parish Council

As of August 31, 2021 we will be discontinuing our live-streamed Masses. We have been very fortunate to have had these live-streamed experiences throughout the lockdown, but now that we are again able to welcome back parishioners to the in-person celebration of the Mass, it is important to encourage all to attend. We will continue all our COVID protocols and masking to maintain a safe environment for all. Those who are still uncomfortable or unable to attend can find Mass each day of the week on EWTN or Salt & Light Television. We thank all those who have made this streaming possible during this difficult time. Most importantly we look forward to welcoming everyone back “home” to St Ann’s.



VOCATIONS

Jesus has given us His Body to eat and His Blood to drink so as to nourish us on our journey towards the Kingdom. May we be faithful to Him on our journey as married, single, ordained or consecrated persons. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon, contact the Most Rev. Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton, 905-528-7988 ext. 2222. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



Eucharistic Adoration

This is a picture of Jesus present in the Consecrated Host (Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity) lifted up in a monstrance. He waits for us, to heal, console and strengthen us and fill us with His love, joy and peace. Come and see Him. Eucharistic Adoration each Friday of the month unless otherwise noted, following the morning Mass with Benediction at 9:30 a.m. and Tuesday evenings prior to Mass from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.




Trust in God.
 We can only
 see a little bit
 down the road
 but God can
 see around
 every curve.

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- Drop off your envelope by putting it through the mail slot in the Parish Office door.
- You can make a donation online through the CanadaHelps site which can be reached by going to <http://www.canadahelps.ca/>
- You can also e-transfer donations through your Financial Institution using our email address stannancaster@hamiltondiocese.com There is no need to use a password or phrase.
- ***Thank you for your continued generosity and support! Without you we cannot be the amazing parish that we are.***

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“On this twenty first Sunday of ordinary time, the Church encourages us to always remain with Christ, the Holy One of God. At times, when we come to the cross road of life, we are confused about which way to go. These are moments when we must make the right decisions, and the decisions and choice we make at such moments shape our future.

At a certain moment in my own life, I came to one of such cross roads of choosing between responding to God’s call and abandoning it. Thank God, the Holy Spirit gave me the illumination I needed to make the right choice.

In our first reading, having almost come to the end of his mission, Joshua reminded Israel of how faithful and good the Lord has been to them. Finally, he challenged them: “If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve...” Their response was quite rapid and positive: “We have no intention of deserting the Lord our God...”

Of course, as most of us do, they spoke well. Unfortunately, they did not keep their promise. As soon as Joshua was gone (Judges 1-12), they ran to other gods. The psalmist says: “Those who run to other gods multiply their sorrows”

(Ps 16, 4). Indeed, they multiplied their sorrows through their own decision and choice.

In our second reading, Paul employs the analogy of marriage, to explain and to remind us of the type of relationship that should exist between Christ and us, His disciples. Paul describes this relationship as a mystery with many implications. It is a relationship based on mutual love for one another.

Such a relationship is devoid of deceit. Rather, it is based on trust and faith. It is a relationship that endures the test of the time. It is different from what we see today in our society today. Where, we are married in the morning, and are divorced by the evening. Just as one cannot abandon oneself so, one must not abandon Christ his Lord.

In today’s gospel, after the bread of life discourse, some followers of Christ were disappointed. What they heard was not what they expected to hear from Christ. This teaching is too difficult for us! You are complicating our lives! They could not take it anymore. For this reason, many of them abandoned Him.

So, turning to his own disciples, Christ asked: “What about you, do you want to go away too?” This question from Christ is like Joshua’s. It leaves one with an option to remain with or, to abandon Christ at difficult moments in life. It is like saying, if you too are not convinced and comfortable with this truth, you may also leave.

There are lots of lessons for us today. Many of us come to Christ thinking that everything must be easy. Some come with a very shallow faith. Yet, some of us come with fixed expectations and just to hear only what we wish to hear. So, if our expectations are not met, we quit, and bid Christ farewell. So, we must ask ourselves today. How many times have we abandoned God and his church especially, at difficult moments in life?

Finally, there are inevitable moments in life when the authenticity of our faith and fidelity to God must be tested by the fire of afflictions (1 Pt 1:7). Then, only true disciples will stand with Christ to say: “Lord, who shall we go to? You have the word of eternal life... You are the Holy One of God.” Or, like Joshua say: “As for me and my house, we shall serve the Lord.” So, our song must always be: “I have decided to follow Jesus. No turning back, no going back.”

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