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Welcome and Registration

Welcome to all who worship with us today! May the Lord bless you! If you would like to register with our 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.

Memorial Donations: Please keep our love for the parish alive: when recommending expressions of sympathy, please remember St. Ann Parish.

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight - Dan Marranca dannymarranca@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul

Collection held first Sunday of the month.

Parish Schools

St. Ann's	905.523.2340
St. Joachim's	905.523.2341
Holy Name of Mary	905.523.2342
Immaculate Conception	905.523.2463
Bishop Tonnos Secondary	902.523.2331

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The Lord's Day Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.; Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass

Tuesday 7:00 p.m. Wednesday—Friday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Tuesday 6:15 p.m. – 6:45 p.m. Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8:30 a.m.—9:15 a.m.

Parish Office Hours

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

Baptism

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

Marriage

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

Anointing of the Sick

Upon request. Please call the parish office.

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.

Mass Intentions

Fourth Sunday of Lent March 30, 2025

Tuesday, April 1st

7:00 p.m. + Helen Hanrahan

Intentions of Brad & Shannon McKay Intentions of Paul & Cindy Dohaniuk

† Sylvia Djumlin

Wednesday, April 2nd

8:00 a.m. Intentions of Lucinda Vardey

† All Souls in Purgatory Intentions of Lucia Caluori

Thursday, April 3rd

8:00 a.m. † Florence Morasco

† Kyra Roberts

Friday, April 4th

8:00 a.m. **†** Sylvia Djumlin

Intentions of Isabella & Anthony

Saturday, April 5th

5:00 p.m. **†** John Moro

† Deceased Family Members

† Edward Hollingham

† Evelyn Alix

† Angela Petruccelli

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Week of March 30, 2025

This week we especially pray for:

Monday Rev. Piotr Jurzyk

Tuesday Rev. Bernard (Mike) Francis
Wednesday Franciscan Fathers, O.F.M.
Thursday Grandparents & the Elderly
Friday Rev. Patras Samuel Masih
Saturday Rev. Tony O'Dell, O.M.I.

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 married couples, priests, consecrated virgins, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Make me an instrument to encourage others to give of themselves and challenge me to do the same. Amen.



JUST AT A GLANCE! JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE: A New Beginning

Dear Friends and Parishioners of St. Ann,

The Jubilee Year provides a time for reflection, similar to the message in Lamentations 3:22-23, which reminds us that God's mercies are renewed each morning. This highlights God's constant love and His invitation to begin anew, just as the Prodigal Son returned to his father in the Gospel of Luke (15:1-3, 11-32).

The father's reaction in the Gospel reflects the compassion that Pope Francis encourages during the Jubilee Year. It reminds us that, regardless of our past mistakes, God is always ready to forgive and offer us a new beginning, just like the Prodigal Son. Also, as every new day presents an opportunity for growth and change, the Jubilee Year offers the faithful a profound experience of God's enduring faithfulness.

In conclusion, the Jubilee Year, the message of new beginnings in Lamentations, and the Parable of the Prodigal Son in the Gospel of Luke, as emphasized by Pope Francis, reminds us that no matter where we are in life, God's love is always ready to embrace us, offering us the chance for a fresh start. Through His mercy, faithfulness, and forgiveness, we are called to begin again with hope and grace, leaving behind our past mistakes and starting anew in Christ.

Seminarian John Obinna Emelle

RESTORING THE BEAUTY OF ST. ANN — EXCITING NEWS!

As shared at Masses on the weekend of February 22-23, 2025, the time has come to restore the exterior beauty of our beloved St. Ann Church and rectory!

Since 2016, the stucco has been peeling away, causing further damage to our buildings. Now, thanks to your incredible generosity, we have a strong financial foundation to begin this much-needed project. Our One Heart One Soul Campaign (2020-2023) still has \$150,000 remaining, and with additional generous

donations, our Building Fund has grown to over \$200,000. This gives us a great start toward the estimated \$800,000 project cost.

For the past two years, our Building Committee — Fr. Peter, Adrian Mauro, Myles D'Arcey, James Vallentin, and Steve Dunn—have been working hard to bring this project to life. With Bishop Crosby's blessing, we plan to begin the recladding work in early July, and it should take 2-3 months to complete. The church will remain open throughout the project.

Stay tuned for more details on fundraising efforts and ways we will recognize your generosity. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Dunn steve@stephenidunn.ca.

Thank you for your continued support in preserving and beautifying our parish home!

St. Ann, Pray for Us

LENTEN STUDY SESSIONS

Join the Pastoral Team for the last Lenten study series which will take place this coming Thursday evening, from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Remaining Schedule: □ April 3 – *Gaudium et Spes* (Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World) – Presented by David Dayler Take this opportunity to deepen your faith and understanding as we journey together as Pilgrims of Hope this Lent.

PARISH LENTEN CONFESSION

Everyone is invited to Lenten Confession on April 10th, starting at 6:30 p.m., and continuing until completed.

St. Ann's Women's Group

The Women's Group has started a new program on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. (following mass) and will continue on Tuesday evenings until April 29th. The program entitled When You Pray: A clear path to a deeper relationship with God from Ascension Press will help guide us to cultivate a rich and lasting prayer life. Come out and get to know some of the familiar faces you see each week at mass as we journey together to enrich our faith and build a stronger community. To register or find out more about the program please email saintannwwp@gmail.com.

DONATION TAX RECEIPTS!

Please note, all 2024 donation tax receipts that were not picked up during the weekend masses of March 15 & 16th, have been mailed out to parishioners.



Society of Saint Vincent de Paul HELP NEEDED!

The St. Vincent De Paul Store at 429 Barton St. E., is in need of volunteers. We are looking for people who would be able to commit to a three hour shift weekly or bi-weekly. We need volunteers to help sort the donations, make minor furniture repairs, test electronics and we also need volunteer cashiers. If you might be interested or would like further information please contact Lee at:

ssypbartonvolunteer@gmail.com. Thank you.

BRANTFORD ST. PIUS MEN'S GROUP

Hey Guys, join us to experience faith, fellowship and inspiration. The Brantford St. Pius Men's group are having a Retreat on May 3rd entitled "Fan the Flame of Hope". The Retreat leader is Bishop Scott McCaig (bishop of the Military Ordinariate of Canada). The cost is \$35. Visit http://beamanbrant.ca for details.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

TODAY, Sunday, March 30, 2025, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. there is A JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. Monsignor Con O'Mahony will speak on being Pilgrims of Hope. Participants will share in Taize Prayer at the Cross.

All are welcome!

