

St. Anne's Parish Family
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Dec 21/22 2019



Mass Schedule and Intentions
December 23 - 29

Tuesday Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Family Mass & Christmas Pageant
 5:30 pm Vietnamese Community
 8:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass

Wednesday Christmas Day

9:30 am Christmas Day Mass: Nativity of The Lord
 11:30 am Vietnamese Community

Thursday Saint Stephen

8:00 am Special Intentions: Our Priests

Friday Saint John

8:00 am Special Intentions: Our Priests

Saturday The Holy Innocents

3:30 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
 4:00 pm Special Intentions: Our Priests

Sunday Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

9:30 am The Parishioners
 + Sharon Thiel – Mary M. & Erica

3:00 pm Vietnamese Community

Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

Monday Very Rev. Wojciech Kuzma
 Tuesday Rev. James McSharry
 Wednesday Christmas Day (The Nativity of the Lord)
 Thursday Rev. Martin Mikulski, S.A.C.
 Friday Rev. Joseph Okoko, i.v.Dei.
 Saturday Rev. Franjo Sprajc

PARISH SUPPORT December 15, 2019

Weekend Offering (96 env)	\$2964.00
Weekend Pre-Authorized (per week)	\$608.75
Loose Donations	\$365.00
Building (3 env)	\$40.00



Sincere thanks to all who share the responsibility of parish support. Your care, concern and generosity are greatly appreciated!!
Next Pre-Authorized Giving withdrawal - January 15th.

“Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife... When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.” Are you willing to respond as Joseph did? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation at 905-528-7988 or email mking@hamiltondiocese.com

Websites to check out
 Parish Website – www.stanneskitchener.ca
 Diocese Website – www.hamiltondiocese.com

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Tue Dec 31 4pm New Year's Vigil
 Wed Jan 01 9:30am New Year's Day

Next Week's Liturgical Readings

December 29, 2019 – THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

- 1) Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
- 2) Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17
- 3) Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

FOCUS: God is at the heart of all Christian families.

Today we celebrate and recognize the Holy Family – Jesus, Mary and Joseph – as the model of all Christian families. Saint Joseph set a good example for all of us as his family faced the crisis of Herod's plot to kill Jesus: He listened to God's voice and cared for his family according to the word of God.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sirach writes about family relationships and duties, especially that of honoring one's parents all the days of their lives. Paul instructs the Colossians on how to love one another and live for Christ. In the Gospel, Joseph follows the instructions of the angels who led him safely into, and out of, Egypt.

PARISH REGISTRATION FORM

Please return your registration form before January 1, 2020. Thank you for your attention to this request!

DECORATING

Mon Dec 23

IT'S TIME TO GET OUR CHURCH READY FOR CHRISTMAS!!! Decorating will take place on Monday, December 23rd beginning at 9:30am. Come out and help with the creche, sanctuary decorations, lights, wreaths, banners and trees. There will be something for everyone and many hands make for less work!

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Dec 23

Dress rehearsal Dec 23 from 1-2:30 pm.
 For more information contact Mary at the parish office or stannekitcheneryouth@gmail.com



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED Mon Dec 23 – Fri Jan 3

Office is closed Monday Dec 23rd through to Friday Jan 3rd. Back to regular hours on Monday, Jan 6th.

Calls will be checked on a daily basis for emergency

In the Area & Diocesesee bulletin board for details





BISHOP OF HAMILTON

CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2019

For many, Christmas is a wonderful time of year! Homes are decorated, families gather, gifts are shared, the best meal of the year is served, and the music at Christmas Masses is always uplifting – to say nothing of the Christmas homily!

Sadly, for others Christmas is a time to dread! The unemployed, those who are on the streets, those who are alone perhaps isolated from family, those who are in prison, those who are in hospitals or suffering from mental health or other serious illnesses, and those who are mourning the loss of a loved one, can find this time of year challenging and very difficult indeed!

If we have been blessed, we must bless. Can we make the Christmas season a time of blessing for others? We bless when we recognize others to be sisters and brothers, and treat them with the dignity that is theirs, listening to them and speaking to them with respect and affirmation. We bless when we support the Good Shepherd Ministries of the Brothers of St. John of God, the DeMazenod Door at St. Patrick Parish, Hamilton, the Out of the Cold programs, hospice care and other similar programs in our Diocese, where people are respectfully cared for and lovingly nourished!

At Christmas, we celebrate our belief that “God comes to us”! God comes to us as a baby, unthreatening, dependent, and in simplicity. All we have to do is open our hearts to welcome the Lord of life and love. We recognize and welcome Him in every person who comes to us in the same simplicity of spirit, seeking from us the same generous greeting of peace.

May God bless you this Christmas and always! Let us pray for one another.

Sincerely yours in Christ and Mary Immaculate,

+Douglas Crosby, OMI
(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, O.M.I.,
Bishop of Hamilton