

# St. Anne's Parish Family

## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

December 19/20, 2020



### Mass Schedule and Intentions December 22 – December 27, 2020

#### Tuesday

**7:00 pm** + Ed & Demerise Lafleur – Kevin & Jo Ann Schmalz  
+ Jeanne Held - Estate

#### Wednesday St. John of Kanty

**8:00 am** + Murray Henry – Hayek Family  
+ Jeanne Held - Estate

#### Thursday

**4:00 pm** Intentions of Parishioners  
**7:00 pm** + Karli Chomick – Kevin & Jo Ann Schmalz  
+ Jeanne Held - Estate

#### Friday

**9:30 am** + Antonio Aires – Maria Aires  
+ Jeanne Held - Estate

**11:00 am** Intentions of Parishioners

#### Saturday St. Stephen

**4:00 pm** + Jeanne Held - Estate  
+ Murray Henry – Hayek Family  
+ Mike McGrath - Wife

#### Sunday St. John

##### 9:30 am The Parishioners of St. Anne

+ Jeanne Held - Estate  
+ Ermelinda & Manuel Moreira – Family  
+ May-Ross Lindsay – Lise Lindsay

##### 1:30 pm Vietnamese Community

### CONFESSIONS

Confessions are now permitted by appointment only. Please contact the priest directly through the parish office.

### Diocese of Hamilton Prayer Calendar

<b>Monday</b>	Rev. Janusz Roginski, S.A.C.
<b>Tuesday</b>	Rev. Robert Sims
<b>Wednesday</b>	Voluntas Dei Institute
<b>Thursday</b>	Rev. Michael Downey
<b>Friday</b>	Christmas Day
<b>Saturday</b>	Msg. Rev. Martin Vallely

### PARISH LIVE-STREAMED MASS

This weekend, Mass will be live streamed at 9:30 am at St. Anne Church; next weekend at 11:00 am at St. Joseph.

### 2020-2021 SUNDAY MISSALS

... are available for purchase at the back of the Church. Inserted is an envelope labeled "MISSALS \$5.00". Please do not leave loose cash in the collection basket. Take a Missal and return the envelope with payment, putting it in the collection basket.

### Next Week's Liturgical Readings

#### December 24, 2020 – Christmas

- 1) Isaiah 9:1-6
- 2) Titus 2:11-14
- 3) Luke 2:1-14

**FOCUS:** Jesus' birth brings abundant joy and great rejoicing.

Today, what we have awaited for so long is finally here as we celebrate the birth of Jesus. At the time of his birth 2,000 years ago, the world had been waiting in hope for a Messiah. Jesus, the Son of God, came in the dead of night to redeem us and show us the reason for this hope: God's love.

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Isaiah prophesies a time of salvation for Israel, when a great light will come to the people who walked in darkness. A child will be born, and called Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero. Saint Paul writes that the grace of God has appeared, saving all. In the Gospel, Joseph and Mary went from Nazareth to Bethlehem in order to enroll in the census. It is there that Mary gave birth to her son, and the angel of the Lord appears to the shepherds to announce that a savior has been born.

### PARISH SUPPORT

#### Next Pre-Authorized Giving withdrawal – January 15<sup>th</sup>.

A big "Thank you" to all who contribute generously to the regular Sunday Offering. May God reward your sacrifices.



### WEEKEND OFFERING

Dec. 5/6, 2020

Saturday/Sunday Offering		\$2365.00
PAG		\$914.00
Missals		\$45.00

### WEEKEND OFFERING

Dec. 12/13, 2020

Saturday/Sunday Offering		\$2580.00
PAG		\$914.00
Loose		\$35.00
Missals		\$30.00

### PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING

Anyone who still hasn't submitted their contribution schedule for 2021 please do so.

### Pray for our Deceased Loved Ones and the Sick

Let us remember in prayer our brothers and sisters in Christ who have died and those who are sick: Marlene Hentges.

### CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

Parish office will be closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas and New Year.

## CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES 2021

Please call the church office to arrange pick up of your envelopes.

Please note: There are no envelopes for those who have signed up for the Pre-authorized Giving Plan. Further information about the pre-authorized giving, and its benefits to you and to the Church, can be found at the back of the Church.

## CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

**Thur., Christmas Eve, Dec. 24: 4:00 pm and 7:00 pm**

**Fri., Christmas Day, Dec. 25: 9:30 am and 11:00 am**

Christmas Eve 4:00 pm Mass will be livestreamed and Christmas Day 11:00 am Mass will be livestreamed from St. Anne at [youtube.com/stastj](https://youtube.com/stastj) Sunday Masses are available each week at this same link.

Registration is required to attend any one of these Christmas Masses because of possible increased Mass attendance and limited capacity due to COVID-19.

### Note:

Registration is closed for the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass. We have reached our capacity (30%) according to the regulations of the Diocese and provincial public health officials.

To register, please phone the parish office (519-745-5302) and leave a voicemail message or send an email to: [stannekitchener@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:stannekitchener@hamiltondiocese.com) or drop by the parish office and pick up a form. Give your family name and the names of those of your household attending with you. Family members not living with you should register separately.

**Thur., New Year's Vigil, Dec. 31: 4:00 pm**

**Fri., New Year, Jan. 1: 9:30 am**

## ADORATION and CONFESSION

The Church will be open for extra days and times for Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation in preparation for the Feast of the Nativity:

### St. Anne

- Wednesday, Dec. 23: 8:30 – 10:30 am

### St. Joseph

- Tuesday, Dec. 22: 5:00 – 7:00 pm

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Families with children in grade 2 and 7 or higher who are planning to celebrate First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, or Confirmation in 2021, please mark your calendars for our online information sessions in January:

First Reconciliation/First Eucharist: Sun Jan 10 6:30 pm OR Wed, Jan 13, 6:30 pm

Confirmation: Sun Jan 17, 6:30 pm OR Wed Jan 20, 6:30 pm

## Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church

ON THE OCCASION OF THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church

(8 December 2020), Pope Francis wrote an Apostolic Letter, *Patris Corde* ("With A Father's Heart": that is how Joseph loved Jesus, whom all four Gospels refer to as "the son of Joseph"). Pope Francis dedicated the year from December 8, 2020, to December 8, 2021, to St. Joseph. "The aim of this Apostolic Letter is to increase our love for this great saint, to encourage us to implore his virtues and his zeal."

From the angel Gabriel, Mary heard God's plan for her life and she said "Yes!"...and so the Saviour came into the world. Pray to know God's Will for your life, so as to help bring Jesus to our world. If God is calling you to the priesthood, contact Fr. Michael King, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation by phone 1-905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or by e-mail [mking@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:mking@hamiltondiocese.com)

## PARISH ADVENT NOVENA

Until Christmas Day Fr. Brian will lead a daily 5-minute reflection on the Gospel of Matthew Chapters 1 and 2, the Infancy Narrative. Join us at [youtube.com/stastj](https://youtube.com/stastj) live-streamed at 7:00 pm each evening or any time after that, you can view it.

## Christmas Midnight Mass – Hamilton Cathedral

Bishop Crosby will celebrate Christmas Midnight Mass from the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton, preceded by a Carol Service, beginning at 11:30 p.m. Both the Carol Service and the Midnight Mass will be broadcast on Salt+Light Media and shared with CHCH-TV. The Mass will be repeated on CHCH-TV at 8:00 a.m. on Christmas morning.

## THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

An online weekly video series created to help us prepare for the celebration of Christmas. Entitled Journey through Advent, The Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, and the Most Reverend Pierre Goudreault, will provide spiritual guidance on the readings that illustrate the true meaning of Christmas. This is available on the CCCB website each Monday

[Click here to access the video series in English.](#)

## A WALK THROUGH FRATELLI TUTTI

'Fratelli Tutti': With these words, Saint Francis of Assisi addressed his brothers and sisters and proposed to them a way of life marked by the flavour of the Gospel. In his simple and direct way, Saint Francis expressed the essence of fraternal openness that allows us to acknowledge, appreciate and love each person, regardless of physical proximity, regardless of where he or she was born or lives." (FT#1) These are the opening words from Pope Francis in his latest encyclical, *On Fraternity and Social Friendship*. Join us on Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> for a 90 minute Zoom webinar to walk through of this beautiful document. Written by Pope Francis to "all people of good will." Presented by Mrs. Teresa Hartnett, Director of the Family Ministry Office - register online at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) or by calling 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

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