



MANDATORY FACE MASKS: Face coverings are now mandatory in enclosed public spaces. We ask that you arrive at church with your own face mask. Thank you for your cooperation.



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 25 at 7 p.m.
+ Noreen Bourgeois

Wednesday, August 26 at 8 a.m.
+ Joey Woods

Thursday, August 27 at 8 a.m.
Intentions of Michelle O'Neill

Friday, August 28 at 8 a.m.
+ Betty Marchant

Saturday, August 29 at 5 p.m.
Intentions of the Ryan Family

Tuesday, September 1 at 7 p.m.
+ Germano Rego

Wednesday, September 2 at 8 a.m.
+ Maria Freitas

Thursday, September 3 at 8 a.m.
Intentions of Noreen & Paul Tenechuk

Friday, September 4 at 8 a.m.
+ Ludvika Winnicki

Saturday, September 5 at 5 p.m.
+ Bridget Kolb



MORNING ROSARY: The Rosary is prayed at 7:30 a.m. before morning Mass on weekdays (Wed – Fri). All are welcome.

ADORATION CHAPEL: The Adoration Chapel will remain closed until further notice.

PARISH OFFERINGS for August 9, 2020:

Sunday Offerings: \$3,226.75
Building Fund: \$ 300.00

PRE-AUTHORIZED GIVING for AUGUST 2020

Sunday Offerings: \$ 4,771.00
Building Fund: \$ 1,045.00

PARISH OFFERINGS for August 16, 2020:

To be reported in next bulletin

Thank you for your continued support!

PARISH BULLETINS: All parishes have been advised that printed bulletins should *not* be made available at the doors of the church until further notice. You will notice that there are no printed materials available in the church at this time in order to avoid touch points. We will continue to publish an electronic bulletin which will be posted on our parish website. *Please note, beginning September 6, a weekly bulletin will be posted on the website and we will no longer send the bulletin via email.*



FIRST COMMUNION 2020: The Hamilton Diocese recently issued guidelines that will assist us in our planning of First Holy Communion for students that missed their celebration due to the church closure. The plan is that these children **will receive their First Eucharist during October and November 2020.** (Children entering grade 2 this September will celebrate First Eucharist during the spring of 2021) The celebration of the Sacrament will take place at a regular Sunday Mass in which families will register in advance for a particular weekend. **Further details will be coming at the start of the school year.** Thank you for your patience.

2020 DIOCESE OF HAMILTON ORDINATIONS

On Friday, August 14th, 2020 and Saturday, August 15th, 2020, the Diocese of Hamilton gained two new permanent deacons and four new priests respectively. *Deacon Joseph Gigliotti* and *Deacon Paul Mulligan* were ordained to the Permanent Diaconate at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton. This was followed by the Ordination to the Priesthood on Saturday which welcomed *Father Paul Joseph Edmondstone*, *Father Francisco Jose Sordo*, *Father Pawel Jan Stankiewicz* and *Father Hayden John Starczala* to service in the diocese. Both masses were presided by His Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, joined by His Excellency Bishop Ustrzycki on Saturday. While the Cathedral wasn't as full as previous years due to COVID-19, those present along with the Ordinandi took part in a joyous celebration. *Let us pray that Jesus may be glorified in the ministry and service of these new deacons and priests and all who serve in the name of Christ the Good Shepherd!* **The parishioners of St. Mary of the Visitation extend a special congratulations to Father Hayden Starczala. It is truly an honour and a blessing to have a long-time member of our community ordained to the Priesthood. We continue to pray for Fr. Hayden and we look forward to having Fr. Hayden celebrate Mass with our parish community in the near future.**

NOVENA IN PREPARATION for the School Year 2020-2021: Bishop Crosby will be leading the Diocese of Hamilton in a Novena for the safe return to school *beginning Monday, August 31, 2020*. All are encouraged to participate. The Novena can be viewed or printed from our parish website. As the first day of school this year is the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, and both our Diocese and our nation are under Our Lady's protection and dedication, we hope our prayers, joined with our Blessed Mother, will bring courage and comfort to all in our school communities.

INVITATION TO PRAY: Pray the Rosary with Cardinal Collins. The last Saturday of every month, Serra International hosts a **virtual global Rosary for vocations**. In this way, Serrans from all over the world come together to prayerfully support our mission. You can join too. This month's rosary will be led by Serra International Episcopal Adviser Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, on **August 29, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** To join our rosary from your computer, tablet or smartphone, go to: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/314315981> or call 1 (647) 497-9380 Access Code: 314-315-981. Don't miss this opportunity to pray with Serra International's wonderful and dedicated Episcopal Adviser, Cardinal Collins.

CONFESSION: Due to the pandemic we can no longer use our traditional Reconciliation room. The children's liturgy room (across from the sacristy) has been adapted for reconciliation. When you enter the room there will be two chairs to choose from, one private behind a screen and another chair that allows you to talk to Father face to face. If the door is open you may enter. If it is closed, please wait until the room is empty. After each reconciliation, Father will clean the room before the next person may enter. **Confession times: Saturdays from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm.**

FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS: **Missals and missalettes** are available for parishioners to pick up in the entrance to the parish office. **Televised Mass** is available on Salt and Light Television and Vision TV. **Online Mass** is also available on a number of Catholic sites such as saltandlighttv.org/mass and www.dailytvmass.com.

2019 PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT: Please contact the office if you would like a copy of our annual financial report. Due to the church closure, we were unable to distribute the report in the spring.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Food donations can be dropped off in the entrance to the office during office hours. Thank you for your help in replenishing the food pantry throughout the summer. The next collection after Masses will take place on August 29/30.



I want to thank all the parishioners that came out last Saturday morning (August 15) to help clean up the parish property by pulling weeds, cleaning windows, raking leaves, and sweeping debris off the sidewalks. Your generosity of your time and work has made a big difference in the appearance of the property. We ended up taking 20 brown garden bags of weeds and clippings to the recycling centre. Thank you!

Fr. Love

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We depend a great deal on volunteers to assist at our Sunday Masses. We are currently short volunteers in a number of ministries. Some of the most urgent areas of need:

- Health and Safety Coordinators
- Cleaning Committee Members
- Ushers
- Lectors

Please speak with Fr. Love or call/email the parish if you are able to help out. No previous experience is required. *Thank you for your much-needed assistance!*

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

August 24 – 28

Monday	Rev. Mussie Keflezghi, M.C.C.J.
Tuesday	Rev. Jerzy Tomon
Wednesday	Catholic Teachers
Thursday	Rev. Issac Tharayi, C.M.I.
Friday	Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I.
Saturday	Rev. Ilija Petkovic

August 31 – September 5

Monday	Rev. Msgr. Ivan Vuksic
Tuesday	Rev. Felix Nwatu
Wednesday	Legionaries of Christ (L.C.)
Thursday	Very Rev. Cornelius O'Mahony
Friday	Rev. Peter Watters
Saturday	Rev. Piotr Machnacki, S.A.C.



OFFICE HOURS: Please note that the office will close at 1:00 p.m. on Wed. August 26 through Friday, August 28. Please call to make an appointment with Fr. Love or to make arrangements for Mass cards and other requests. **Face masks are required when entering the office.**