

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



TUESDAY, January 5th

8:00am + Thomas Tam Tran
+ Ken Patmore
+ Phyllis Henke
7:00pm + Margaret and Edmund Morris

WEDNESDAY, January 6th

8:00am Intentions of Theresa Tran
7:00pm + Kaz Jaroszynski
+ Sean Slowley

THURSDAY, January 7th

8:00am Intentions of Barrieau Family
7:00pm + Ener Diaz

FRIDAY, January 8th

8:00am + Marie Goulet
7:00pm Intentions of Massimo Marcone

SATURDAY, January 9th

9:00am + Intentions of Bill and Heidi Krusky
5:00pm + Thomas Tam Tran

SUNDAY, January 10th

8:30am + Maria Manera
10:15am + Constantino and Anna Bellisario
12:00noon Intentions of Parishioners



May God's peace be with those who have recently died and especially those being persecuted for their faith & race, and those killed in natural disasters & their families. Please remember our parishioners who are sick and homebound and those in our Prayer Network in your prayers.

DO YOU HAVE A VOCATION?

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton 905-528-7988 or email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

INTENTIONS FOR SANCTUARY CANDLES

Week of January 3rd

Candle #1 –

Candle #2 –

Please use the envelopes provided or one of your own to request intentions for the Sanctuary Lamps, which are lit at the tabernacle. The requested offering is \$10 each. You may place the envelope in the collection or drop it in the Parish Office.



COLLECTIONS FOR THE PAST WEEK

Sunday Offerings: December 24/25 \$13,120.20
December 27 \$11,406.00

Thank you for your contribution and God Bless!

If you would like a receipt for your contribution, we need your name & full address. If you would like envelopes or to sign up for Pre-Authorized Donations, please call the Parish Office at 519-822-4614.

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARISHIONERS:

As of December 26th at 12:00am all Masses, weekday and weekend, have been cancelled until further notice due to the Government shutdown that will take place until January 23rd, 2021. Please note that Fr Bergsma and Fr Gregory will still say Masses daily and on Sunday for your intentions as well as the intentions requested.

As well the Parish Office will be closed during this time. All parish events, organizations and meetings are also cancelled until further notice.

Bishop Douglas Crosby has dispensed all the faithful from the obligation to participate in the Sunday Mass until we can celebrate once again as a community.

REFLECTION – SOLEMNITY OF MARY

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the solemn dogma defined by Blessed Pope Pius IX in 1854.

Through the centuries the Church has become ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace" through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confesses, as Blessed Pope Pius IX proclaimed on December 8, 1854: "The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin." — *Catechism of the Catholic Church, Excerpt from Catholic Culture.*

REFLECTION – EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany. "The Lord and ruler is coming; kingship is his, and government and power." With these words the Church proclaims that today's feast brings to a perfect fulfillment all the purposes of Advent. Epiphany, therefore, marks the liturgical zenith of the Advent-Christmas season. — *Pius Parsch*

The Solemnity of the Epiphany is celebrated either on January 6 or, according to the decision of the episcopal conference, on the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. The young Messiah is revealed as the light of the nations. Yet, as the antiphon for the *Magnificat* at Second

Vespers reminds us, three mysteries are encompassed in this solemnity: the adoration of the Christ Child by the Magi, the Baptism of Christ and the wedding feast at Cana. Extra candles and/or lamps may be placed around the sanctuary and in other parts of the church to honor Christ revealed as the Light of the Gentiles (*Ceremonial of Bishops*). It is customary to replace the images of the shepherds at the crib with the three Magi and their gifts. — *Ceremonies of the Liturgical Year*, Msgr. Peter J. Elliott, Ignatius Press. *Excerpt from Catholic Culture*

LIVE STREAM MASSES

We will have a recorded Mass for the Solemnity of Mary on Friday January 1 on the home page of the website. As well starting Sunday January 3 we will be LIVE streaming Mass from St Joseph Parish at 10:15am. This will allow you to join in live with the Mass as it is being said. This is the link that you will need to access the [Live Stream Mass](#) Please do not use this link until 10:00am Sunday January 3rd.

REMINDER: all intentions that have been designated during this time will continue to be honoured at the private Masses Father Bergsma and Father Gregory will be saying each day.

If you wish to drop off your church offerings you can continue to do so Tuesday to Friday during the day by dropping off in the mail slot located just inside the Parish Office door - Father Bergsma will be checking this regularly.

ADORATION

Adoration will take place everyday from **8am to 6pm** in the church parking lot. The Monstrance can be viewed through the window between both brown doors on the side of the church.



CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP

November is CWL Membership month. The annual dues are \$25.00. We welcome all ladies age 16 or older to join. You may pay your dues by using the blue envelope in your collection box or use any envelope marked “CWL Membership” with your name/address/phone #/ email and drop it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office. For further information contact Sharon Huska 519-821-4505 or Pat Grosicki 519-821-4104

GUELPH AND AREA RIGHT TO LIFE – 40 Days for Life

On February 17th, 2021, 40 Days of Life will be starting in hundreds of locations across the world. 40 Days of Life is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach and peaceful all-day vigils in front of abortion businesses. The prayer vigil will take place every day from 7am-7pm throughout the 40 days. As February approaches, we’ll be asking people to sign up for specific hours at the vigil and especially encouraging people to sign up for a specific time once a week.

Junior Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten

We have faith in education. The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten at our schools beginning January 4th, 2021.

Kindergarten Eligibility

- must be four years of age on or before December 31, 2021 to attend Junior Kindergarten
- must be five years of age on or before December 31, 2021 to attend Senior Kindergarten

Please bring:

- child’s birth certificate
- a parent or child’s Baptismal certificate
- child’s health card/immunization record/custody papers (if applicable)
- proof of tax support for families new to the system (i.e. most recent tax bill)

Please note: Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Junior Kindergarten program are **NOT REQUIRED** to register for Senior Kindergarten. Should you have any questions about registration procedures or requirements, please call your school

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 27th 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 or by calling 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

Anniversary Mass 2021

The Anniversary Mass scheduled for June of 2021 has been cancelled due to restrictions and concerns around COVID-19. We invite you to register your 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60 plus years Anniversary starting in January on the Diocesan website. We will send you the certificate you would have received from Bishop Crosby at the Mass.

ONE HEART ONE SOUL CAMPAIGN

We are now under \$40,000 from reaching our Celebration Goal of \$580,000. If you are still thinking of contributing to the campaign, **it is not too late**. You can still fill out pledge cards that you have received in the mail or if you do not have one please contact Tracy at the Parish Office.

GOAL!

