



# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



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SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday – 5:00 p.m. (Ayr) 7:00 p.m. (Kitchener) Sunday 8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

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## PASTORAL CARE (SICK/ELDERLY):

If you know someone who is sick, please call the church office

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

Church door collection on the last Sunday of each month.

## CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:

Judy Knight – 519-894-5599

## LEGION OF MARY:

Lisa Cleasby – 519-572-2618

## PARISH VISITATION MINISTRY:

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Alannah LeJeune - 519-500-4534

## PASTORAL CARE/ NURSING HOMES:

Lucille Gaskin – 519-743-6828

## SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:

Saturday – 11:00 a.m.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month.

## BLESSING OF EXPECTANT PARENTS:

First Sunday of the month

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please call the office for a meeting.

## SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please call the office for a meeting.



**ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR WEEK OF  
December 27, 2021**

**Monday 7:00 p.m.** †Joseph Hernandez  
– Jennifer Dsa  
**Tuesday 9:00 a.m.** †Int. Pauline Evoy  
– Mary Moore  
**Wednesday 9:00 a.m.** †Maria Giwojno - Family  
**Thursday 9:00 a.m.** †Joann Koehler  
– Gravesande Family  
**Friday Ayr 5:00 p.m.** For the People  
**5:00 p.m.** †Bernie Poechman  
– Rosemary & Family  
**Saturday 9:00 a.m.** Int. Fr. Larry, Fr. Pawel &  
Dc. Neil – Parishioners  
**11:00 a.m.** Int. Smith Family  
**Sunday 8:15 a.m.** †Alicja & Franciszek  
Burdziccy - Beata  
**10:00 a.m.** †Raheela & Adreianna  
- Family  
**11:45 a.m.** † Doug Higdon  
– Shirley Higdon

**EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

**Tuesday**

Legion of Mary 7:30 p.m. Meeting Rm

**Wednesday**

Adoration 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Thursday**

Adoration 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Friday**

Office is Closed

No Morning Mass today

New Year's Eve- Ayr 5:00 p.m. Mass  
5:00 p.m. Mass

**Saturday**

New Year's Day – 9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

No 7:00 p.m. Mass today

**Sunday**

Regular Mass times today

8:15 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:45 a.m.

**Dear Parishioners,**



**Thank you to all of you, for your continued dedication to our parish during this past year. I trust that you are happy with the renovations completed this year - they make the church more easily accessible to all. In a year of restrictions; our access to Jesus and our worship of God, especially through the sacraments means even more!**

**A special thank you to all of you who gave Christmas presents, prayers and blessings to us this Christmas. May you be blessed a hundred-fold!**

**Christ is our guide, our hope and our success for 2022!**

**Merry Christmas and a blessed New Year,**

**Fr. Larry, Fr. Pawel, Dc. Neil and staff**

**ADORATION ON NEW YEAR'S EVE**

We will have Eucharistic Adoration from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. on New Year's Eve. Come and spend time with the Lord. This is a great way to bring in the New Year.



**TREES OF LIFE**

During the holy season of Advent, the Church's great hymn of praise during the Mass, the GLORIA has been silent. At each Mass on Christmas Eve when the Gloria is sung for the first time in four weeks, our Christmas trees will be lit. It has become a custom here at Blessed Sacrament to call these trees, "Trees of Life", for the decorations on them reflect two of the great Christian Mysteries: Birth and Death. There will be 90 Angel ornaments on the trees inscribed with the names of all persons baptized in the Parish during 2021, and 23 crosses in memory of those born to Eternal Life during the past year. When the Christmas season is over, these personalized ornaments will be available as mementos to family members.

**SUGGESTION:** During the Christmas season when family and friends come to visit why not include a visit to the church to offer a prayer and see the "Nativity Scene" and the "Trees of Life".

The Church is open from early morning to mid-evening.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Would like to thank all parishioners who helped with the Angel Tree. Your donations of gift cards were a tremendous help to our Society in helping those in need. May God bless each and every one of you

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

On behalf of my executive team we would like to wish Father Larry, Father Pawel, Deacon Neil, the staff & parishioners a very Merry Christmas & all the best in the New Year.

Blessings, CWL Executive

### BULLETIN

There will be no bulletins printed for the week of January 2nd. Masses for the week are listed below.

### ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR WEEK OF

January 3, 2022

**Monday 7:00 p.m.** Int. of Ron Frumkin - Marta

**Tuesday 9:00 a.m.** †Alzira Mendes

– Maria L. Pereira

**Wednesday 9:00 a.m.** Int. of Cecile Kizak

– Mary Effinger

**Thursday 9:00 a.m.** †Sister Joyce Lorentz &

All Dec'd Members of her Family

– Marilyn & Alfred Schleimer

**Friday 9:00 a.m.**

†Grace Dawson - Friend

†Mr & Mrs. Marsilio Zavarella & Vanda &

Larry's Dec'd Children – Vanda Verheyden

†Vincent Moammar Clint Idul – Canoy Family

**Saturday 5:00 p.m.** For the People

**7:00 p.m.** †Hector Mantilla - Family

**Sunday 8:15 a.m.** †Lyle Diotte

– Mary & Joe Baca

**10:00 a.m.** †Awn Duqoum - Family

**11:45 a.m.** †Paul Renaud

– Norm & Pat Damaren

### EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday**

Mass Time 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday**

Adoration 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**Thursday**

Adoration 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Friday**

1<sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration



### FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

Friday, January 7 with adoration beginning after the 9:00 a.m. morning Mass and ending with benediction at 10:45 p.m. Come and be part of the adoration of our Lord on this Friday.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

**CWL membership registration is continuing and dues and forms are due by Dec. 31st.**

### 2022 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

All who use Church offering envelopes can pick up their 2022 box of envelopes in the lobby. They are in numerical order. For those who use automatic debit, your contribution sheets have been mailed to you. If you would like envelopes or to use automatic debit, please go to our website and register or call the office. [www.blessed-sacrament.ca](http://www.blessed-sacrament.ca)

### For those who use automatic debit:

For January deposits to be made on time, we need to have the forms returned. Please have your form back to the Parish by December 23 to ensure this is possible. Thank you.

### A reminder from our Money Counters:

Please take the time write the dollar amount of your offering on the envelop. Thank you.

### DIOCESAN BOOKKEEPING POLICY

As we approach year end, parishioners frequently wish to make contributions to the church that will be credited to their tax receipt for the current year. Diocesan bookkeeping policy requires that parish books close on December 31. Contributions made in January cannot be applied to 2021 offerings. Please have your donations in by **Sunday, December 26**. Monies received after this date will be credited to 2022. Thank you

### A MESSAGE FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Due to the Covid pandemic, we have not been able to make food deliveries to homes. Financial donations that you have made to SVDP over 2021 have been given to help support the organizations that have stepped up to help when we couldn't. We have made donations to the Food Bank who continues to support our people and the K-W area. We have made donations to support the House of

Friendships Christmas program and the North of 60. In 2022 we will continue to donate to these organizations until we may one day reopen our delivery service again.

On behalf of the members of St. Vincent de Paul, we would like to thank you for your continued support.

**DIOCESAN EVENTS**  
**CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS –**  
**CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF CHRIST THE**  
**KING, HAMILTON**

His Excellency, Bishop Douglas Crosby, OMI, will celebrate Midnight Mass on December 25, 2021. The Mass will be preceded by Carols at 11:30 p.m. on December 24. The Carols and the Mass will be shown live on Salt+Light Television and CHCH-TV. Admittance to the Cathedral for Midnight Mass is by ticket only – a limited number of tickets are still available by contacting the Cathedral at (905) 522-5744.

**VOCATIONS**

We celebrate the birth of our Lord into our world; however, many have not received the birth of our Lord into their hearts. If Christ lives in your heart and you would like to help others discover the Lord, you may be called to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon. If God is calling you, Contact Bishop Wayne Lobsinger, Director of Vocations and Priestly Formation, Diocese of Hamilton (905-528-7988).

Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**LOCAL EVENTS**



**PAINTING FOR A GOOD HOME**

On my last mission to El Salvador I purchased an oil painting from a self-made local artist in Suchitoto named Oscar Fierro. I am moving and do not have room for it. I would like to give it to someone from El Salvador who will cherish it as much as I did. Anyone interested call Mary at 519 573 8110

**NEW TO OUR PARISH?**  
**YOU ARE MOST WELCOME**

If you are new to our community or just visiting, welcome to Blessed Sacrament Parish. We encourage all new parishioners to register with the parish. Registration forms can be found on our

website. We are most happy to have you join our Parish Family.



**BISHOP OF**  
**HAMILTON**  
Christmas 2021

My dear friends,

*“The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light:  
those who lived in a land of deep darkness – on them light has shone!” Is. 9.2*

The fact that we are now dealing with the Omicron variant of the pernicious COVID-19 virus is discouraging indeed. We have worked so hard to do what we can to “manage” the pandemic protocols, but the daily bad news of increased infections, after we thought we were getting ahead of things, makes it difficult to remain positive.

The scripture passages given to us by the Church in the daily readings during the Christmas season remind us over and over again that we are a people of HOPE – darkness does not overwhelm us. The powerful recounting of the Christmas story lifts us up out of darkness, sadness, and sorrow, and reminds us that God has given us a Saviour who is Christ the Lord. This announcement gladdens us and reassures us that the Lord is with us – especially in the darkest of nights. It is the blessing of Christmas!

*May the God of infinite goodness,  
who by the Incarnation of his Son has driven  
darkness from the world  
and by that glorious Birth has illumined this most  
holy night,  
drive far from you the darkness of death  
and illumine your hearts with the light of life!*  
(From the solemn blessing of Midnight Mass)

Merry Christmas! Enjoy the season.

Sincerely in Christ and Mary Immaculate,

*+Douglas Crosby*, OMI  
(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI  
Bishop of Hamilton.