

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Masses this Week

Monday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

5:00 p.m. - *preceded by Nativity Play*

7:00 p.m.

10:00 p.m. - *(Incense will be used)*

Tuesday, December 25 - Christmas Day

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

10:00 a.m. - *(Incense will be used) - Pro populo*

Wednesday, December 26 - St. Stephen

8:00 a.m. Ints. of Patrick Henry - *Matthew & Lora Henry*

Thursday, December 27 - St. John

5:00 p.m. + Manuel A. Sousa - *Emilia Moura*

Friday, December 28 - The Holy Innocents

8:00 a.m. + Frank Wrafter - *Bonnie & Ralph O'Brien*

Saturday, December 29

5:00 p.m. - Sung Mass

+ Patrick Reidy - *Mike Reidy*

+ Eduino Francisco - *Rosa Francisco & Family*

+ Patricia Whalen - *Michelle Whalen*

+ Antonio Vicente - *The Vicente & Borges Families*

+ Antonio Machado - *Emilia Machado & Family*

Sunday, December 30 - JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

8:00 a.m. - Said Mass at the Altar of Our Lady

9:00 a.m. - Sung Mass - Intentions of Carol Forbes - *Mae*

11:00 a.m. - Sung Mass - *Pro populo*

Monday, December 31 - New Year's Eve

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD

5:00 p.m. - Sung Mass + John DaCosta - *Maria DaCosta*

Tuesday, January 1 - New Year's Day

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD

10:00 a.m. - Solemn Mass with incense used - *Pro populo*



If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

Please observe a reverent silence -

talk to God before Mass and to each other after Mass -

and please ensure that all mobile devices are switched off or silenced

to avoid distracting others in prayer.

Children are most welcome. The narthex or the parish hall should be used as a crying room if needed. Thank you.

Children's Nativity Play

Before the beginning of the 5 pm Christmas Eve Mass, the children of St. Patrick's Parish will be presenting the Nativity Play. Children ages 3 to 7 years of age will be asked to come to the front of the church and listen to the Christmas Story which will be narrated by children in the parish. Parents, please encourage your children to come forward when the announcement is made.



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, commemorates the divine motherhood of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of our Lord and God, Jesus Christ. This is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics.

Masses will be offered at St. Patrick's Parish on **New Year's Eve, Monday, December 31 at 5 pm** and on **New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1 at 10 am.**

This Week In Our Parish

Wednesday, December 26

8:30 a.m. - Confessions, *immed. following mass until finished* (Church)

7:00 pm - Choir Practice (Church)

Friday, December 28

8:30 a.m. - Adoration (Benediction 9:30 a.m.)

Saturday, December 29

10:00 a.m. - Baptism Preparation (Church)

3:45 - 4:30 p.m. - Confessions (Church)

Sunday, December 30

12:15 p.m. - Baptisms (Church)

Preparing For Next Week

Sirach 3: 2 - 6, 12 - 14 ; Psalm 128;
Colossians 3: 12 - 21 ; Luke 2: 41 - 52

Liturgical Ministers - December 29 & 30

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeters	C. Camara <i>Vol. Needed</i>	B. Sousa <i>Vol. Needed</i>	C. Gregorasz D. Kennedy
Lectors L1	P. Cooper	B. Sousa	R. St. Cartier
L2	B. Miller	D. Wylie	J. St. Cartier
Communion	W. Koluk A. Miller	J. Streppel A. Sousa	H. France R. France

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Mon. Dec 24	Rev. Francis Hubilla
Tues. Dec 25	Christmas Day (Nativity of the Lord)
Wed. Dec 26	Franciscan Fathers (O.F.M.)
Thurs. Dec 27	Rev. Ronald Voisin
Fri. Dec 28	Rev. Duy Van Nguyen
Sat. Dec 29	Rev. Kevin D'Souza

For information about diocesan workshops and events, including the One Heart, One Soul Capital Campaign, please visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com>

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Coffee Social

We invite you to stay after the 9 a.m. mass on **Sunday, January 6** for our coffee social in the Parish Hall. This is an ideal time to come together to renew existing friendships and to form new ones. A special invitation is extended to new parishioners who would like to get better acquainted with St. Patrick's Parish community. All are welcome to join us.

Televised Christmas Midnight Mass

His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby will celebrate Midnight Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. The Mass will be preceded by carols from the Cathedral beginning at 11:30 p.m. on Monday, December 24th. The carol service and Midnight Mass will be televised on Salt + Light, Canada's Catholic broadcaster.

Using the Door by the Choir

Baby, it's cold outside... In consideration of our musicians and choir, please do not exit by the choir door if you are leaving mass before the end of the final hymn. Should you find it necessary to leave the church before the final hymn has concluded, please exit through the main doors of the church. Thank you.



St. Patrick's Supper & Movie Night

Date: Saturday, Jan 5
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Place: Parish Hall

A light supper will follow the 5 p.m. Mass. The movie, "**High Noon**," will begin at 6:45 p.m.

Former marshal Will Kane (Gary Cooper) is preparing to leave the small town of Hadley-

ville, New Mexico, with his new Quaker bride, Amy (Grace Kelly), when he learns that local criminal Frank Miller has been set free and is coming to seek revenge on the marshal who turned him in. When he starts recruiting deputies to fight Miller, Kane is discouraged to find that the people of Hadleyville turn cowardly when the time comes for a showdown, and he must face Miller and his cronies alone. Please plan to join us in the new year. All are welcome.

Christmas has become the Feast of gifts in imitation of God who has given himself to us. Let us allow our heart, our soul and our mind to be touched by this fact. Among the many gifts that we buy and receive, let us not forget the true gift: *to give each other something of ourselves, to give each other something of our time, to open our time to God.* In this way anxiety disappears, joy is born, and the feast is created. ~ Benedict XVI

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES



THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday, December 22 at 5 pm
Sunday, December 23

8 am - Said Mass at the Lady Altar
9 am - Sung Mass
11 am - Sung Mass (Incense will be used)

Please note that these Masses fulfill the Sunday obligation only.

THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD

Christmas Eve - Monday, Dec. 24

5 pm (preceded by the Nativity play)
7 pm
10 pm (Incense will be used)

Christmas Day - Tuesday, Dec. 25

10 am - only (Incense will be used)

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, JOSEPH

Saturday, December 29 at 5 pm
Sunday, December 30

8 am - Said Mass at the Lady Altar
9 & 11 am - Sung Mass

Please note that these Masses fulfill the Sunday obligation only.

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

New Year's Eve - Monday, Dec. 31 at 5 pm
New Year's Day - Tuesday, Jan. 1 at 10 am

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Saturday, January 5 at 5 pm (Incense will be used)
Sunday, January 6

8 am - Said Mass at the Lady Altar
9 am - Sung Mass
11 am - Sung Mass (Incense will be used)

Christmas Overflow Parking

Overflow parking for Christmas Masses is available in the parking lot at the corner of Wellington and Main Streets, behind City Hall off of Cambridge Street and across from the David Durward Centre (Beverly and Dixon Streets).