

The Second Sunday of Advent

Masses this Week

Tuesday, December 11

5:00 p.m. + Honza Cerny - *Josephine Renna*
 + Antonio A. Sousa - *Emilia Moura*
 + Maria & Antonio Tavares - *Maria M. DaCosta*
 + Don McIsaac - *Frank & Sheila Mauser*

Wednesday, December 12 - Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:00 a.m. + Dominico Gioffre - *Maria Monterosso & Family*

Thursday, December 13 - St. Lucy

5:00 p.m. + Maria & Luis DaCosta & Family - *M.M. DaCosta*

Friday, December 14 - St. John of the Cross

8:00 a.m. + George Andrews - *The Family*

Saturday, December 15

5:00 p.m. - Sung Mass
 + Maria & Francisco Chaves & Family - *João Chaves*
 + Lorne Cooper - *Madeline & Family*
 + Vincenzo Recine - *Yolanda Recine & Family*
 + Saverio Bellissimo & Fernando Coppa - *Maria Bellissimo*
 + Thomas Reidy - *Nancy Reidy*

Sunday, Dec 16 – 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00 a.m. - Said Mass at the Altar of Our Lady
 9:00 a.m. - Sung Mass + Manuel & Maria Chaves - *M. Sousa*
 11:00 a.m. - Sung Mass - *Pro populo*

This Week In Our Parish

Monday, December 10

6:30 p.m. - OCDS Meeting (Parish Hall)

Tuesday, December 11

5:30 p.m. - Holy Spirit Prayer Community (Church)
 6:00 p.m. - CWL Potluck (Parish Hall)

Wednesday, December 12

8:30 a.m. – Confessions, *immed. following mass until finished* (Church)
 7:00 pm - Christmas Choir Practice (Church)

Thursday, December 13

7:00 p.m. - SVDP Meeting (Parish Hall)

Friday, December 7

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

Saturday, December 15

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

Preparing For Next Week

Zephaniah 3: 14 - 18a ; Isaiah 12: 2 - 3, 4bdc, 5-6;
 Philippians 4: 4 - 7 ; Luke 3: 10 - 18

Offertory

Envelope Contributions Last Week	\$4,091.45
Loose Collection	\$ 579.65
Total Collection – Thank you	\$4,671.10

Liturgical Ministers - December 15 & 16

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeters	D. DalBello <i>Vol. Needed</i>	A. Sousa <i>Vol. Needed</i>	S. Bolger <i>Vol. Needed</i>
Lectors L1	N. Applebee	A. Jamieson	B. O'Brien
L2	M. Applebee	B. McIsaac	J. Meagher
Communion	J. Madruga C. McArthur	J. Streppel S. Braga	T. Cabral P. Grummett

“Let the peace of Christ
 rule in your hearts.”

(Colossians 3:15)



If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

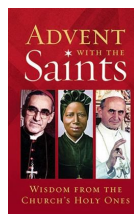
*Please observe a reverent silence -
 talk to God before Mass and to each other after Mass -
 and please ensure that all mobile devices are switched off or silenced
 to avoid distracting others in prayer.*

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

Holy Days of Obligation

In Canada, the holy days of obligation are the following: **every Sunday, Christmas Day (December 25) and the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (January 1).**

On holy days of obligation, the faithful gather to express the fact that the Church is not self-generated but is always called to worship by God. On that occasion, we come to hear the Word of God, take part in the Eucharist and give thanks to the Lord for having been incorporated into Christ. Therefore, one must take part in the celebration of Mass either on the same day or at the vigil Mass on the previous evening.



Advent Booklets

Daily Advent meditation/prayer booklets are available *free of charge* in the narthex of the church.

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Mon. Dec 10	Rev. Lech Wycichowski, C.R.
Tues. Dec 11	Rev. Stanley Zaryczny, C.R.
Wed. Dec 12	Carmelites of Mary Immaculate (C.M.I.)
Thurs. Dec 13	Rev. Brendan McGrath
Fri. Dec 14	Rev. Miro Grubisic, O.F.M.
Sat. Dec 15	Rev. David Perrin

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

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Christmas Choir

All parishioners are invited to join the Parish Choir for the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day masses at St. Patrick Church. There will be one rehearsal on **Wednesday, December 12 at 7 p.m.** in the church. Singers and instrumentalists are welcome. For more information, call Stephanie Burgoyne at 1-519-304-2383.



Christmas Flower Donations

Donations are invited towards the flowers that will decorate our church and sanctuary during the Christmas season. Special envelopes are available at all three church doors. Donations may be placed in the collection basket during the weekend

Masses. All donations must be received by **Sunday, December 16** in order that a list of memorial and thank offerings may be included in the Christmas bulletin.



2019

Offering Envelopes

2019 offering envelopes are now available for pick up in the parish hall. Please be sure to take yours home with you after mass.

If you do not have offering envelopes and would like a set, please contact the parish office at 519-623-3773. You may also choose the Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) donation option. EFT forms are located in the narthex of the church.

Chalking The Door At Epiphany

This liturgical year we are inviting parishioners to chalk their doors at Epiphany. Blessed chalk will be made available on the weekend of **January 5 & 6, 2019**. The blessed chalk is to be used to inscribe a simple formula on the lintel of your door. The formula includes the numerals for the year in question and the letters C + M + B. You then say a simple prayer asking God to bless your home. The formula looks like this.



So what do the letters "C, M and B" stand for? Most people will tell you that they stand for the names of the three wise men – Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar – and that is certainly a venerable tradition – but the letters also stand for the Latin phrase **Christus mansionem benedicat** which means "May Christ Bless this House."

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)

God's "coming" is motivated by the desire to free us from evil and death, from all that prevents our true happiness. God comes to save us.

~ Benedict XVI, Homily at Vespers