



BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH



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MASS TIMES:

Saturday – 7:00 p.m.

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

Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday- 9:00 a.m.

Thursday – 9:00 a.m.

Friday – 9:00 a.m. Holy Hour follows Mass

ADORATION:

First Friday of the Month

all day, Benediction at 9:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays – 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

and during Friday's Holy hour when available

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Please see our Parish Website for more information.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Please see our Parish Website for information and to fill out the Preliminary Form at least 9 months in advance.

PARISH REGISTRATION

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 bskchurch.ca

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

LEGACIES AND BEQUEST

Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Blessed Sacrament Parish in your will and when suggesting expressions of sympathy. If you wish to make such a bequest in your will please contact the Parish office.

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SCAN QR CODE TO GIVE

PALM SUNDAY

ANNOUNCED MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF Monday, March 25, 2024

Tuesday 7:00 p.m.

† Leonard C. DeSouza – Wife
Int. Marian & Dorota Borowiec – Mom
Int. of Sarita & John Divo – Bob & Margo
Savoi
Int. of Mary McLean – Roy & Janet Smith
Int. Agata Nieczytorowicz - Family

Wednesday 9:00 a.m.

† Maria Magnus – Gus Magnus

Holy Thursday 7:00 p.m

For Vocations at Blessed Sacrament Parish
Good Friday 11:00 a.m. - Solemn Liturgy
3:00 p.m. - Solemn Liturgy

Easter Vigil – Saturday

8:00 p.m. – RCIA Candidates and their Families

Easter Sunday

8:15 a.m. Clergy of Blessed Sacrament Parish
10:00 a.m. Int. of Junior Choir and Members of the
Music Ministry
11:45 a.m. People of Blessed Sacrament Parish

Blessed Sacrament Church

March 17 – Offertory \$ 5,513.34

Thank you for your generosity!

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday

Lenten Reflection 6:30 p.m.
Legion of Mary 7:30 p.m. Music Room
Men's Group 7:30 p.m. Parish Centre

Wednesday

Jr. Choir 6:00 p.m. Music Room
Easter Choir Rehearsal 7:15 p.m. Music Room

Thursday

Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 p.m.

Friday

Good Friday Passion Play 10:30 a.m.
Solemn Liturgies 11:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross 2:00 p.m.
Office is closed today.

Saturday

No Confessions today!
Blessing of Food 12:00 noon
Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 p.m.



HOLY WEEK

MONDAY OF THE HOLY WEEK

His Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby, Bishop of Hamilton, along with all Clergy will celebrate the annual **MASS OF SACRED CHRISM**, **Monday, March 25, 2024 2:00 p.m.** in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, Hamilton. The Holy Oils used for baptisms, confirmation, and anointing the sick, across the diocese will be solemnly blessed.

HOLY THURSDAY

- ✧ MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
- 7:00 P.M.
- ✧ WASHING OF THE FEET
- ✧ **BRING BELLS & RING THEM FOR THE SOLEMN HYMN GLORIA**

This day marks the beginning of the SACRED TRIDUUM, or "three days." In the Mass of the Lord's Supper we remember and make present that Last Supper which Jesus shared with his disciples. There he instituted the Sacrament of Eucharist and Holy Orders (Priesthood). The hymn Gloria is the first after Lent's 40 days silence and also the last before Easter Vigil we will hear instruments and sing joyfully again. We mark the hymn Gloria on Holy Thursday and Easter Vigil with extra accompaniment of bells that you can bring from home. (Children love it)

The liturgy ends in silence and with no blessing and will resume on Good Friday. We are with Jesus in the Garden and pray as he goes through his agony. The church will remain open until 10 p.m. for silent adoration.

GOOD FRIDAY

- ✧ PASSION PLAY – 10:30 A.M.
- ✧ LITURGY OF GOOD FRIDAY
11:00 A.M. & 3:00 P.M.
- ✧ STATIONS OF THE CROSS 2:00 P.M.
- ✧ COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND!

At 3 p.m., the hour of Jesus' death we gather quietly in our church to enter into time of prayer as we reflect on Jesus' death on the cross. We also pray for the needs of the world. To acknowledge the power of the cross in our lives today, we one by one come forward to venerate the cross with a kiss. Our hunger from this day of fasting is satisfied with Holy Communion distributed at the end of this liturgy. Consider, too, how the apostles might have gathered that night together in fear and prayer reflecting on all that happened.

HOLY SATURDAY

- ✧ BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS/FOOD -
12:00 P.M.
- ✧ EASTER VIGIL HOLY MASS 8:00 P.M.
- ✧ BLESSING OF FIRE AND PASCHAL
CANDLE
- ✧ WE PROVIDE CANDLES!
- ✧ **BRING BELLS & RING THEM FOR
GLORIA, AND WATER FOR BLESSING**
- ✧ EASTER SACRAMENTS FOR ADULTS

Tonight, after sundown we gather for the GREAT EASTER VIGIL where we will experience Jesus rising from the dead. We gather in darkness and light the Easter fire which reminds us that Jesus is light in the darkness. He is the light of the world. We enter into the church and attentively listen to Bible stories describing God's saving work of the past. Suddenly, the church lights are lit, and the Gloria is sung as we celebrate the moment of Christ's resurrection. He Lives! As a Church we sing "Alleluia" for the first time in 40 days. This is the first Eucharist celebrated since Holy Thursday. The fonts were emptied for the Holy Triduum and Holy Water is freshly blessed on this Easter Vigil night. You are welcome to bring your own container filled with water. It will be blessed at the same time as the water in all the fonts around the church. During the liturgy at the font, adults will receive their Easter Sacraments. Easter Vigil Holy Mass counts as Easter Mass. Come and join us with family and friends!

EASTER SUNDAY

- ✧ HOLY MASS 8:15 A.M., 10:00 A.M. &
11:45 A.M.
- ✧ RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES,
SPRINKLING WITH THE HOLY WATER

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Please note there is NO Children's Liturgy on Easter Sunday.

BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE "SPRING TEA!"

Ladies are invited to our CWL "Spring Tea" to be held on Saturday, April 13th, from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Door Prizes & Raffles! *Wear your favourite HAT and be sure to bring a FRIEND!

Cost - \$10.00 per Adult & \$5.00 per child.

Tickets will not be sold during Holy Week

Ticket Sales will be available

from April 2 to April 5

Tickets will not be sold at the door

Please contact the office.

Proceeds from our tea will be donated to Marillac Place

CANDLES IN THE CHURCH

Please note that only special candles supplied by the church are allowed to be used in the votive candle holders inside the church. Tea candles brought from home or replaced on your own are **not permitted**, as they pose a fire hazard and are not covered by our insurance. *Failure to follow this rule may result in the removal of the candle stand.* Thank you for your cooperation.

2024 CHURCH OFFERING ENVELOPES

Have you just come back to Mass and are looking for your offertory envelopes?? Please email the office and Keri will help you. ***If you have older envelopes we ask that you toss them out and only use the 2024 envelopes*** as some numbers have changed.

MASS TIME SURVEY

We wish to extend our gratitude to all those who participated in our Mass Time Survey. For current updates or to vote please see our website.

DIOCESAN FUNCTIONS

REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL

Please note date change.

MARCH 27, 7:00 – 9:00 PM Join us for our special youth screening of Island of Lemurs, Madagascar. The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register at: <https://reeljustice.hamiltondiocese.com/>

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to celebrate the Easter Season by attending an evening of Adoration, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, April 6th at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate (28 Norfolk Street, Guelph). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

STEP/BLENDED FAMILY: SMART STEPS FOR BUILDING FAMILY

Are you a parent or stepparent adjusting to blended family life? Smart Steps offers practical insights and suggestions on how to make the relationships work well for all. The next session will be held at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph, 28 Norfolk Street. TIME: 9:15AM - 3:30PM. PRICE: \$50 per person (includes lunch). DATE: Saturday, April 20, 2024. Register on line at hamiltondiocese.com and look under Upcoming Events. For more information, contact the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

VOCATIONS RECOGNITION DINNER 2024

The Serra Club of Hamilton invites you to gather on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at Liuna Station to celebrate the service of our Priests, Religious Brothers and Sisters, Permanent Deacons and Consecrated Virgins Living in the World. Doors open at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$90 per person. Please contact serrahamilton1965@gmail.com for

tickets and more information. Co-sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton.

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is available on line at hamiltondiocese.com under Upcoming Events.

OTHER FUNCTIONS

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICES

March 26 7:30 p.m. – St. Theresa of Avila

ARE YOU LOOKING TO RETIRE IN A CATHOLIC ENVIRONMENT THIS SPRING?

Then come and visit the Marian Residence Retirement Home in Cambridge, owned and operated by the Sisters of Our Lady Immaculate. For more information please email info@marianresidence.ca

HOUSE CLEANER – PART TIME

St. Anne and St. Joseph Parishes in Kitchener are looking for a part time House Cleaner (10 hours/week). Reporting to the Parish Priest, this position requires a commitment to work the required hours with some flexibility when needed. Primary responsibilities include cleaning of the Rectories, washrooms, and office spaces, and any additional duties that may be assigned by the Pastor from time to time. Please visit www.hamiltondiocese.com/jobopportunities/ for more information.