MASSES OF THE WEEK

Monday, November 23 – Ferial: Weekday PLEASE NOTE: NO MORNING MASS TODAY

Tuesday, November 24 – Feast: St. Andrew Dung-Lac 9:00a.m. – Oliva Tersigni, Georgina Greenland, Intentions of Julie McDonald

Wednesday, November 25 – Ferial: Weekday 7:30a.m. – Mary Moher, Santhosh George, Margaret

Babcock

Thursday, November 26 – Ferial: Weekday 9:00a.m. – Patrick Heffernan, Margaret Jones, Intentions of Sister Christine Leyser

Friday, November 27 – Ferial: Weekday

9:00a.m. – Domenic DiGenova, Monica Loomis, Eric Walsh, Intentions of Sister Marguerite

Saturday, November 28 - Ferial

5:15p.m. – Jerry Bannon, Peter Hewer, Barbara & Patrick Heffernan, Anna Maria DiGenova, Intentions of Judy & Ron Howse

Sunday, November 29 – First Sunday of Advent 9:00a.m., 10:30a.m. & 12noon

Stewardship of Treasure:

Thank you for your gift of \$7,149.00 in support of your parish community in gratitude for God's blessings & \$3,602.00 in support of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

PARISH & OTHER NEWS COVID-19 UPDATES

Please refer to our parish website (<u>www.basilicaofourlady.com</u>) or the diocesan website (<u>hamiltondiocese.com</u>) for the current and updated directives regarding COVID-19 from Bishop Crosby and the Diocese of Hamilton.

ADVENT MASS AND DEVOTIONAL SCHEDULE 2020

During the Advent Season Masses will be celebrated at the following times:

Lord's Day Masses Saturdays at 5:15p.m. Sundays at 9:00a.m., 10:30a.m. and 12:00noon

Weekday Masses

Monday – 9:00a.m. Tuesday – 9:00a.m. Wednesday – 7:30a.m. & 12:15p.m. Thursday – 9:00a.m. Friday – 9:00a.m. Saturday – 9:00a.m.

Confessions

Saturdays – 8:00a.m.-8:45a.m. 3:30p.m.-5:00p.m.

Monday, December 23^{*rd*} – 5:00*p.m.*-7:00*p.m.*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesdays - 8:15a.m.-12:00noon Fridays - 9:30a.m.-12:00noon

Perpetual Help Devotions Following the 7:30a.m. Mass on Wednesday mornings

Advent Service of Lessons and Carols

This year's **Service of Lessons and Carols for Advent** will be online only. The Service will be available at "Music at the Basilica" on YouTube beginning at 7:00p.m. on Sunday, November 29th. Please take the time to watch and listen as the story of salvation is told through Scripture and Music.

SUNDAY MISSALS

Living with Christ Sunday Missals (2020-2021) will be available to purchase this weekend after Mass, November 21st/ November 22nd. They will be available at the back of the church at a cost of \$5.00. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, please be sure to bring exact change. Thank you

NOVENA OF MASSES FOR THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

In our capacity as the official Marian Shrine of the Diocese of Hamilton, the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate is honoured to offer a Novena of Masses leading up to the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. During these trying times this Novena will be seeking the intercession and protection of the Mother of God, and Mother of the Church, on our Diocese in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. Novena Masses will be held at 7:00p.m. from November 29th to December 7th inclusive. Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, at 7:00p.m. on Tuesday, December 8th. All the faithful of the Diocese are welcome to take part in this Novena. Please note that all Diocesan Covid protocols must be observed while at the Basilica. Even if you cannot come to the Basilica in person, please join this Novena in prayer from your home. Our Lady, the Immaculate Conception, Pray for Us.

TICKETS FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES

This year, due to the restrictions limiting the numbers in the Basilica because of the Covid-19 pandemic, we will be issuing tickets for the Christmas Masses. Tickets will be available after Sunday Masses on the weekends of November 28th/29th and December 5th/6th. After that they will be available in the Parish Office. Attendance at each Mass will be limited to 200 people so that we stay under our socially distanced number for occupancy. Christmas Masses will be celebrated on Christmas Eve at 5:00p.m., 7:00p.m., 9:00p.m. and at Midnight. On Christmas Day Masses will be at 9:00a.m. and 11:00a.m. Please note that, in accordance with public health guidelines, we are only able to issue you tickets for people who live in your home; other friends or relatives will have to obtain their own. Tickets are free of charge but will be mandatory for entrance into the Basilica on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

VOCATIONS:

"Lord, when was it that we saw you...?" Have you heard the Lord as well? If God is calling you to serve as a priest, contact Father Michael King, Vocation Director, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

MEMORIAL MASS

Please join us for the repose of the souls of our parishioners who have died this past year or for those whose anniversary you are remembering. The Ministry of Compassion at the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate invites families and friends to a Memorial Mass on the Feast of Christ the King on Sunday, November 22nd at 12:00p.m. To honour your loved one, their name will be read aloud at the Mass (Covid protocols will be in place).

2021 PARISH ENVELOPES

Envelopes for your 2021 weekly donations are now being prepared. They will be available for pick up in the Basilica on the weekend of December 5th/ 6th. In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic, please be sure to pick your envelopes up as soon as possible. If you are using envelopes regularly you will automatically receive a new set of envelopes. If you have moved within the past year, please inform the Parish Office so that our records are updated and you will receive your proper income tax receipt. Your financial support is an important response to the call of Stewardship and is much appreciated, as together we respond as good stewards for the financial support of our parish community.

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no weekday Mass held on Monday, November 23rd at 9a.m. Thank you!

MINISTRY OF COMPASSION

As human beings we like to feel in control of our lives but, when a death occurs, we feel a sense of helplessness. The fourth session, The Season of Adjustment, from Dr. Webster's booklet, "When Someone You Care About Dies" poses the question, "How is my life different now that my loved one has died?" Follow Dr. Webster as he outlines the many adjustments that one has to wrestle with during this time. This session is now available on the Basilica

website:https://www.basilicaofourlady.com/ministries/ ministry-compassion.

COPING WITH THE HOLIDAYS

When someone you love is gone and it does not feel like "Peace on Earth", know that you are not alone. Learn and share strategies for coping at Christmas and know that your loss is not forgotten. With COVID restrictions in place, the Diocese of Hamilton is offering an Online Webinar on Zoom on Monday, November 30th from 7-8p.m. Participants can join by computer or phone and the program is free of charge. To register please call 905-528-7988 (ext. 2249) or register online at hamiltondiocese.com.

SISTERS OF THE CARMEL OF SAINT JOSEPH

The Sisters of the Carmel of Saint Joseph will pray for you during the Novena to Jesus, December 16th to December 25th, 2020. Are you troubled? Do you need spiritual support? You can participate in the Novena to Infant Jesus. Send your prayer intention slip with your name and address to: Carmel of Saint Joseph, 1127 Carmel-Koch Road, R.R. #1, St. Agatha, ON, N0B 2L0.