



## MASSES OF THE WEEK

**Monday, November 30** – Feast: St. Andrew

9:00a.m. – Jim De Genova, Intentions of Andrea Corpuz

7:00p.m. – Novena Mass

**Tuesday, December 1** – Ferial: Weekday

9:00a.m. – Charlotte De Genova, Maude & Henry Theaker,  
Intentions of Sean & Kelly

7:00p.m. – Novena Mass

**Wednesday, December 2** – Ferial: Weekday

7:30a.m. – Justin McBain, Margaret Ann Rebellati

12:15p.m. – Annette Gebotys, Hilda Mann

7:00p.m. – Novena Mass

**Thursday, December 3** – Feast: St. Francis Xavier

9:00a.m. – Don Forester, Ann Daly, Karoline Lesar,  
Leanne Thompson

7:00p.m. – Novena Mass

**Friday, December 4** – Ferial: Weekday

9:00a.m. – Aurora Boncacas, Intentions of Joseph Grierson,  
Intentions of Mary Rodenburg

7:00p.m. – Novena Mass

**Saturday, December 5** – Ferial

9:00a.m. – Pastoral Intentions

5:15p.m. – Stuart Crease, Reno Favrin, Allan Lott

7:00p.m. – Novena Mass

**Sunday, December 6** – Second Sunday of Advent

9:00a.m., 10:30a.m. & 12noon

### **Stewardship of Treasure:**

*Thank you for your gift of \$8,205.00 in support  
of your parish community in gratitude for  
God's blessings.*

## **PARISH & OTHER NEWS**

### **COVID-19 UPDATES**

Please refer to our parish website ([www.basilicaofourlady.com](http://www.basilicaofourlady.com)) or the diocesan website ([hamiltondiocese.com](http://hamiltondiocese.com)) 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<sup>rd</sup> – 5:00p.m.-7:00p.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 29<sup>th</sup>. Please take the time to watch and listen as the story of salvation is told through Scripture and Music.*

### **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 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>. 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.

**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 29<sup>th</sup> to December 7<sup>th</sup> inclusive. Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, at 7:00p.m. on Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. 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.*

**VOCATIONS:**

The season of Advent calls us to be vigilant in anticipation of the Master's return so that we live each day according to the teachings of Christ. Could God's "particular task" for you be a call to a Church vocation? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Father Michael King, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988 ext. 2246 or email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com).

**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 5<sup>th</sup>/ 6<sup>th</sup>**. 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.

**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 16<sup>th</sup> to December 25<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**HENRI NOUWEN MEDITATION**

Christian community is the place where we keep the flame of hope alive among us and take it seriously so that it can grow and become stronger in us. In this way we can live with courage, trusting that there is a spiritual power in us when we are together that allows us to live in this world without surrendering to the powerful forces constantly seducing us toward despair. That is how we dare to say that God is a God of love even when we see hatred all around us. That is why we can claim that God is a God of life even when we see death and destruction and agony all around us. We say it together. We affirm it in each other. Waiting together, nurturing what has already begun, expecting its fulfillment—that is the meaning of marriage, friendship, community, and the Christian life.

**MINISTRY OF COMPASSION**

The Season of Reorganization – Session #5 – Please Visit the Basilica website at <https://www.basilicaofourlady.com/ministries/ministry-compassion> for the final session of "The Seasons of Mourning" from Dr. Webster's booklet, "When Someone You Care About Dies." This season emphasizes the importance of holding sacred space for the one who has died, as you reconcile the loss and accept life as meaningful.

**ONLINE DONATIONS**

For those parishioners who are choosing to make their weekly or monthly Offertory donation online (through Canada Helps via the parish website or directly with Canada Helps)...It would help us greatly if you would enter the word "Offertory" in the **Message** field on the Canada Helps page. Also, please note, if you opt to donate in this way you will be receipted directly through Canada Helps for these donations for tax receipt purposes and not the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate Parish.

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATIONS**

Junior Kindergarten and Senior Kindergarten at Wellington Catholic...We have faith in education. The Wellington Catholic District School Board will be accepting registrations for Kindergarten at our schools beginning January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

**Kindergarten Eligibility**

\* must be four years of age on or before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to attend Junior Kindergarten

\* must be five years of age on or before December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021 to attend Senior Kindergarten

Documents needed:

- child's birth certificate
- a parent or child's baptismal certificate
- child's health card/ immunization record/ custody papers (if applicable)
- proof of tax support for families new to the system (i.e. most recent bill)

**PLEASE NOTE:**

\* Students currently attending a Wellington Catholic Junior Kindergarten program are **NOT REQUIRED** to register for Senior Kindergarten. Should you have any questions about registration procedures or requirements, please call your school

SUNDAY (do not change anything here, we'll put a correct header each week)

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