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WELCOME

To all who gather with us in prayer and worship this weekend; it is a blessing to have you here!

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Offered during 11:00 a.m. Mass
(Sept - June)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.
Thursday: 8:00 a.m.
Friday: 8:00 a.m.

ADORATION (1 HOUR)

Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
**Or by appointment*

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Mark Morley	Pastor
Fr. Moices Caballero	Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Gian Girolami	Deacon
Mr. Joshua Osoria-Bote	Seminarian
Mr. Stefano De Feo	Administrative Assistant
Ms. Wes Moga	Youth Minister
Mrs. Jean Goobie	Bookkeeper
Mr. Kieran McIsaac	Custodian

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
**Closed for Lunch: 12:00p.m.—12:30p.m.*



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21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 22 & 23, 2026

PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

St. Francis Xavier(905) 523-2333
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St. Agnes(905) 560-7616
St. Clare of Assisi(905) 523-2344
Our Lady of Peace(905) 523-2330

PARISH SECONDARY SCHOOL

St. John Henry Newman (905) 523-2314

21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25 + Giuseppe & Crescenza Ferrelli	8:00AM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26 + Lina Di Pietro	8:00AM
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26 + Luisa DiDiodato + Domenico Villella	7:00PM
THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 + Charles Thomson	8:00AM
FRIDAY, AUGUST 28 - In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered	8:00AM

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29 + Jozef Luchak + Domenico Albini + Joe Garofoli & Family + Gregory & Laura Di Pietro + Gianni Valle + Deceased Members of the Capretta Family + Deceased Members of the Valle Family + Bryce Papson + Delfina Liegghio + Giuseppe Cremonese + Anton Fazekas & Family + Anne MacGuiness + Mina Ciabattoni + Jason McClure + Bruno Perusin + George Bortolato + Marcello & Marco Amatucci + Patricia Bannister + Nicolo Cino	5:30PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30 + Petronilla & Giovanni Giancarlo	9:00AM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 30 - Mass for the Parishioners	11:00AM

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

On Sunday, September 6th Bishop Lobsinger will be celebrating the 11:00am Mass and conferring the **Ministry of Acolyte** on our seminarian Joshua Osaria-Bote. Joshua has already received Candidacy and Ministry of Lector. These three steps are in preparation for ordination to the Transitional Diaconate and Priesthood. In absence of a Deacon, the Acolyte prepares the altar at the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist. He is also an Extraordinary Minister of Communion, whereby when needed Joshua will distribute Holy Communion. Unlike a parishioner who is Extraordinary Minister of Communion, the mandate for an instituted Acolyte is not limited to a particular parish or for a particular period of time. Please pray for Joshua and, if you are able, please attend the Mass as well as the reception to follow in the Chapel Hall.

If you are an **Extraordinary Minister of Communion** serving the parish, please check your mandate from the Bishop and let me know if it needs to be renewed. If you are an **Extraordinary Minister of the Word** serving the parish, please check your mandate from the Bishop and let me know if it needs to be renewed. If you would like to become an Extraordinary Minister of Communion or an Extraordinary Minister of the Word, please contact me. The Diocese will be offering formation workshops in October.



If you are **bringing Holy Communion to a family member or friend** after Mass, please register with the Parish Office in person, by phone or by e-mail. Moreover, if you don't have a burse, you can purchase one at the Parish Office for \$10. As of **Sunday, October 4th**, registration and a burse will be required. It is not appropriate to put the pyx in your pocket or purse. Please wear the burse around your neck when in line for Holy Communion. After the host is placed in your pyx, please put it in the burse. This way, when people see you after Mass, they will know that you are carrying the Blessed Sacrament. Most importantly, please leave the church immediately after Mass and go straight to the home of the person in need of Holy Communion. Do not socialize or stop for errands on the way. Having said that, thank you for bringing Holy Communion to our homebound parishioners. If they would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation or receive the Anointing of the Sick, tell them to reach out to me by calling or e-mailing the Parish Office. If you would like to learn about how you can bring Holy Communion to a homebound family member or friend, please contact me by calling or e-mailing the Parish Office.

God bless,
Father Mark Morley

OFFERTORY

Envelope Contributions	\$ 4,350.00
Loose Collection	\$ 711.70
Online Donations	\$ 1,333.46
TOTAL COLLECTION	\$ 6,395.16

Thank You!

AUGUST 22 & 23, 2026

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, AUGUST 24—ST. BARTHOLOMEW
Revelation 21.9-14; Psalm 145.10-11, 12-13, 17-18;
John 1.45-51

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25
2 Thessalonians 2.1-3, 14-17; Psalm 96.10, 11-13;
Matthew 23.23-26

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26
2 Thessalonians 3.6-10, 16-18; Psalm 128.1-2, 4-5;
Matthew 23.27-32

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27—ST. MONICA
1 Corinthians 1.1-9; Psalm 145.2-3, 4-5, 6-7;
Matthew 24.42-51

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28—ST. AUGUSTINE
1 Corinthians 1.17-25; Psalm 33.1-2, 4-5, 10+11;
Matthew 25.1-13

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29—THE PASSION OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
Jeremiah 1.17-19; Psalm 71.1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15+17;
Mark 6.17-29

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30
Jeremiah 20.7-9; Psalm 63.1, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8;
Romans 12.1-2; Matthew 16.21-27

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Tuesday - 25th	8:00 am - Mass
Wednesday - 26th	8:00 am - Mass 7:00 pm - Mass
Thursday - 27th	8:00 am - Mass
Friday - 28th	8:00 am - Mass 8:30 am - Adoration
Saturday - 29th	4:30 pm - Confessions 5:30 pm - Mass
Sunday - 30th	9:00 am - Mass 11:00 am - Mass

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Lourdusamy Subramani, SMA
Tuesday	Rev. Michael Anderson
Wednesday	Missionary Sisters of Christ the King, M.ChR.
Thursday	Rev. Patrick Ohl
Friday	Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
Saturday	The Passion of St. John the Baptist

2026 DONATION

ENVELOPES REMINDER

There are still several boxes of 2026 donation envelopes waiting to be picked up at the parish office. If you haven't collected yours yet, please stop by during office hours.

If you no longer wish to receive donation envelopes, kindly contact the office so we can update our records. Thank you for your continued support!

RECIPE

PEACH PIE

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/4 Tsp nutmeg or cinnamon
- 4 cups sliced peaches
- 3 Tsp minute tapioca (can use flour instead)
- Dash of Salt
- 2 Tsp Butter

Mix all ingredients with peaches. Put in unbaked pie shell. Dot with butter. Fit top crust over top and bake at 400°F for 35 to 40 minutes. Can be left in pie tin, wrapped in tin foil, and frozen. Served with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream if wished.

Just in time for the Peach Festival!



**HEARING A CALL TO A VOCATION
TO SERVE THE CHURCH?**

Contact Rev. John Ha at:

vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

CWL RETREAT WEEKEND “LIVING AS WOMEN OF HOPE” Save the Date!

All women, 18 years or older, are warmly invited to join us for a weekend of faith, friendship, reflection and renewal as we explore what it means to live as women of hope in today's world.

DATE: Friday October 2 – Sunday October 4
LOCATION: Mt. Carmel Spiritual Centre
7020 Stanley Ave., Niagara Falls
PRICE: 2 nights & 6 meals: \$300 for members, \$320 for non-members

Options are available if you wish to attend a portion of the weekend.

Please contact Carol at 905-643-3532 if you are interested in attending or would like more information.

“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him.” Romans 15:13

FAITH AND FLAVOURS PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

November 3-14, 2026

There are still some spaces available for a faith and flavour filled pilgrimage to Italy from November 3-14, 2026. Visits include Siena, Assisi, Monte Cassino, and Rome among others over an enjoyable ten day pilgrimage. The cost of \$7,995.00 per person includes airfare, hotels, ground transportation, all admission fees, most meals, and the services of an expert English speaking guide. Fr. Ian Duffy will be the spiritual director of this pilgrimage leading us in prayer in the footsteps of St. Catherine of Siena, Saints Francis and Clare, Saints Benedict and Scholastica, Saints Peter and Paul, and many more. Additionally this adventure will include wine tasting, pasta making, and enjoying the gastronomy of various parts of Italy.

To register or for more information please call Edgar at 1-800-268-0900 ext. 233, or e-mail edgar@gateways-international.com.

Final numbers are needed in September so register soon.



MARIAN PRAYER GARDEN

Purchase a **brick paver** in honour of someone special! Commemorate a loved one who has passed, celebrate your parents' milestone anniversary or birthday, or preserve your own family name in a place of peace and beauty.

Your brick paver for our **Marian Prayer Garden** does more than leave a legacy — it also supports the ongoing needs of our parish.

- **Cost:** \$85 per 4 x 8 brick paver
- **Engraving:** Up to 3 lines of text
- **Order forms:** Available in the **Parish Office**
- **SPACE IS LIMITED...**

Help continue to build a legacy for your family and for our parish community. Marian Prayer Garden...a place to pause, reflect, pray, and share stories.

Contact for more information

Email: marianprayergarden@gmail.com OR
call the parish office @ 905-662-8593



SACRAMENTS OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION: RCIA AND CATECHISM PROGRAM

Jesus has entrusted the mission of Church to us. It is our responsibility to welcome new members and prepare them to celebrate the sacraments of initiation, namely, Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Most of us were baptized as infants. In which case, our initiation into the Catholic faith was spread out over the years of our childhood, with First Communion in Grade Two and Confirmation in Grade Seven or Grade Eight. If you went to a Catholic school, your preparation for these sacraments would have happened mostly during religion classes. If you didn't attend a Catholic school, then you



know that preparation requires attending catechism classes at the parish. Some of us became Catholic as adults, in which case you attended Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), now also known as the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). These classes and rites culminate with the celebration of the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. The RCIA is primarily for adults seeking baptism, but sometimes Christians baptized in other denominations will participate in a modified version in order to be received into the Catholic Church.

Children who attend a public school or are home schooled are invited to participate in the Catechism Program, especially if they are in Grade Two and preparing for First Communion, or in Grade Seven and preparing for Confirmation. I also encourage parents of children going into Grade Two and Grade Seven, and those in other grades who missed preparing for sacraments, to contact the parish. We will meet and discuss your child's next step in his or her initiation into the Catholic faith.

For those of you with children enrolled in one of our five Catholic elementary schools, there will be information nights held in the parish on September 22nd for Confirmation and on January 26th for First Communion. Information about this will be sent home with your child. Regardless of whether your child is attending Catholic school, public school or home school, he or she will need to be registered with the parish in order to celebrate First Communion or Confirmation.

Likewise, if you are an adult who is interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the parish office and I will make an appointment to meet with you. We have an RCIA team that facilitates the classes on Tuesday evenings starting on October 6th. But don't wait until then to reach out to me.

Finally, if you know a parent who isn't practicing the faith but has a child who should be receiving sacramental preparation this year, I ask you to encourage them to contact me. Likewise, if you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic, I ask you to encourage them to contact me. In this way, you will be contributing to the mission of the Church to welcome new members.

Fr. Mark Morley



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ST. GREGORY THE GREAT NOVENA

Start Date: August 25
Feast Date: September 3

St Gregory, you are called the Great because of your faithfulness to Christ and His Church and love of the sacred liturgy. You helped those in need and sought the conversion of England for Christ.

Through your intercession, please obtain for us the graces we need to be stalwart in faith the way you were. We especially ask for your prayers for our parish, our priests, and the Pope.

In particular, I ask for the grace of (mention request here...)

Help me to live a holy life, die a happy death, so that I might enjoy eternal happiness in Heaven.
Amen.

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be

St. Gregory the Great, pray for us.



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Friday October 23rd, 2026

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