



St. Francis Xavier

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❖ 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*

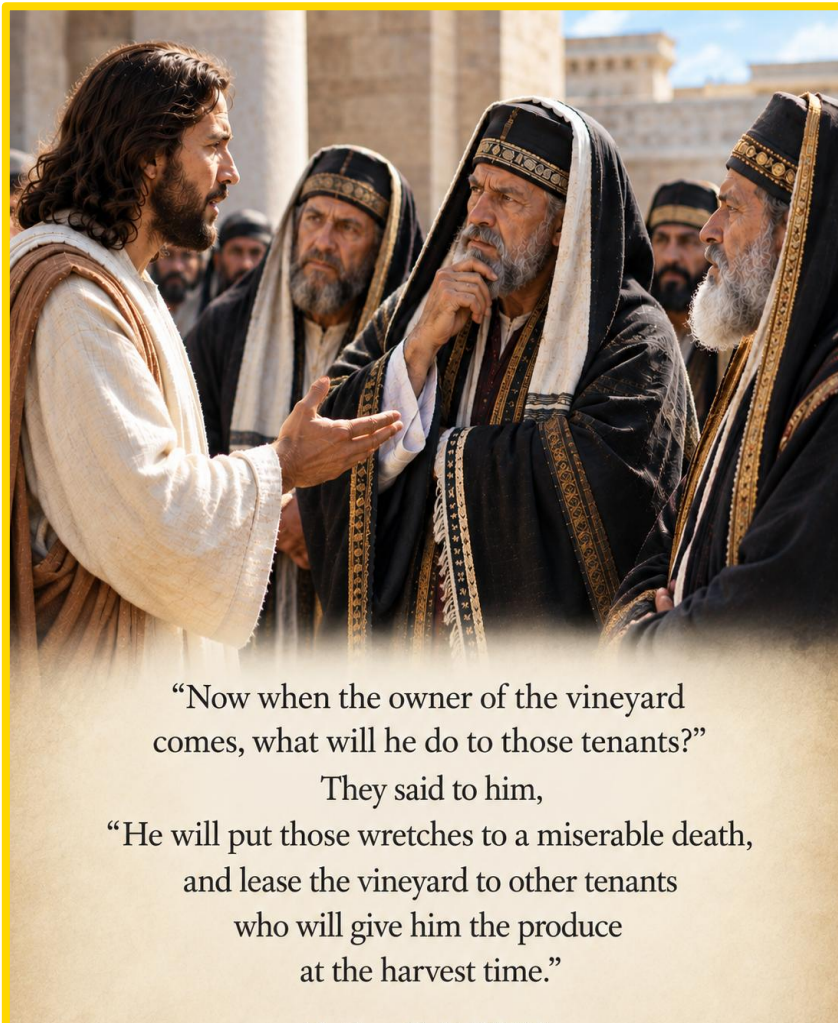
❖ PASTORAL STAFF

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.*



“Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”

They said to him,

“He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

——— Matthew 21:41 (NRSV) ———

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 3 & 4, 2026

❖ PARISH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

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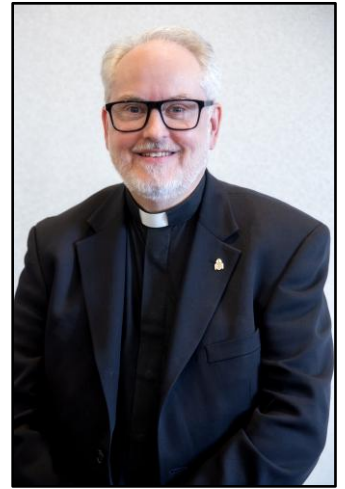
❖ PARISH SECONDARY SCHOOL

St. John Henry Newman	(905) 523-2314
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❖ PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you to the committee and to all those who volunteered and participated in **Saint Michael's Festival**. By all accounts, it was a beautiful day and a great success! Congratulations to members of our **Saint Vincent de Paul Conference** who were recognized by the Hamilton Particular Council for their many years of service. Well done!



When I was Vocations Director, I discovered that, more often than not, when a young person came to see me, the seed of a vocation has already been planted and nurtured by others. I recall attending a deanery meeting at which Father Michael King, one of my predecessors, was asked: “Why does our Diocese seem to have more vocations to the priesthood than other dioceses?” He immediately responded: “Prayer!” Indeed, prayer is essential to vocations ministry. God the Son invites us, his brothers and sisters, to join him as he calls our young people, nurturing their vocations with our prayers to the Holy Spirit and inviting them to consider a particular vocation according to God the Father’s will for their lives. In general, vocations can be divided between the married state of life and the celibate state of life. Within the married state of life, there is the vocation to the permanent diaconate. Within the celibate state of life, there is the vocation to the priesthood, consecrated virginity lived in the world, the dedicated single life, and religious life, that is, professing vows as a religious priest, brother or sister.

At a vocations dance I shared with the young people that I’m a promotor of discerning with your feet. For some of them, going to the dance was a big step in their discernment, an opportunity to reflect on their sense of being called to marriage or celibacy. Discerning with your feet can also mean going to the seminary, where a young man may decide that he is not being called to the priesthood but rather to marriage. Discerning with your feet can also mean dating, whereby a young woman may discover that she is not being called to marriage but rather to consecrated life. Discernment with your feet is like a dance step. One step here; two steps there. During the month of October, which is **Diocesan Vocations Month** and the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, please pray that the discernment dance of the young people of our parish may be guided by the Holy Spirit. As your pastor, I ask you to join me in planting the seeds of vocations in our parish by asking young people to consider a particular vocation and then watering those seeds with your prayers: we plant, you water, and God gives the growth. (1 Corinthians 3:6).

One of the ways to promote vocations and prompt young people to discern with their feet is hosting events for young adults. On Saturday, October 10th our parish will be hosting the Young Adults Group that now includes parishioners from our parish, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish and St. Ann’s Parish. This event will be rotating from parish to parish on the second Saturday of the month. Next month it will be hosted by Immaculate Heart of Mary. On Saturday, November 7th we will be hosting the Vocations Office Young Adults Night. Although these events are for young adults, I want you to know that they begin with a Holy Hour that is open to all parishioners. So, if you are looking for **Adoration time**, put into your calendars the Holy Hour on Saturday, October 10th and the one on Saturday, November 7th, both following the 5:30pm Mass and beginning at 6:30pm. And while you are attending Adoration, please remember to pray for the vocations of our young people in the month of October and throughout the year.

Father Mark Morley
Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS

DATE	TIME	INTENTIONS	DIOCESAN PRAYER VOCATIONS
Tuesday, Oct. 6	8:00am	+ Souls of Soldiers in Purgatory & Peace in the World	Rev. Charles Galea
Wednesday, Oct. 7	8:00am	+ Giuseppe Cremonese	Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean Pierre
	7:00pm	+ Barbara Jagusic + All Souls in Purgatory + Luisa DiDiodato + Carmelo Bianco + Carlo Quaggiotto + Peter Nguyen & Maria Vu	Fraternity of the Poor of Jesus Christ, p.j.c.
Thursday, Oct. 8	8:00am	+ Albert Churchill	Lay & Youth Parish Ministers
Friday, Oct. 9	8:00am	+ John Di Paolo	Rev. James Link, C.R.
Saturday, Oct. 10	5:30pm	+ Domenico Villela + Jozef Kulak + Harrie Snooren + Santa Sgreccia + Jason McClure + Remo Pavone + Tarcisio Reginato & Family - In Thanksgiving for Families + Maria Delle Monache - In Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered + Luciano Quarin + Giuseppina Fuca + Antonio Di Stefano + Lauretta Muraca + Maria Pettorossi + Ron McDonald + Carmelo Bianco + Antonio Paiano + Garry Rogerson	Rev. Dominic Thomas, C.M.I.
Sunday, Oct. 11	9:00am 11:00am	+ Mafalda & Giulio Colle - Mass for the Parishioners	

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vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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Loose Collection	\$ 1,244.25
Online Donations	\$ 1,480.86

TOTAL COLLECTION \$ 8,322.11

Thank You!



DONATE

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Tuesday – 6 th	8:00am – Mass 7:00pm – Card Club
Wednesday – 7 th	8:00am – Mass 7:00pm – Mass
Thursday – 8 th	8:00am – Mass 7:00pm – Bible Study
Friday – 9 th	8:00am – Mass 8:30am – Adoration (to 9:30am)
Saturday – 10 th	4:00pm – Youth Choir Practice 4:30pm – Confessions 5:30pm – Mass 6:30pm – Adoration (to 7:30pm) 7:30pm – Young Adults Group
Sunday – 11 th	9:00am – Mass 11:00am – Mass

REMEMBER Your Parish Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember St. Francis Xavier Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.

St. Francis Xavier Parish

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CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

PARISH CENTRE

ALL PROCEEDS RAISED WILL GO TOWARDS PARISH NEEDS

FRI. NOV. 20, 2026
9:30AM - 7:00PM

SAT. NOV. 21, 2026
9:00AM - 3:00PM

VISIT SANTA ON SATURDAY FROM
9:00AM - 11:00AM
1:00PM - 2:00PM

SUN. NOV. 22, 2026
12:00PM - 2:00PM

ALL RAFFLE DRAWS TO TAKE
PLACE SUNDAY AT 2:25PM



BAKED GOODS, FOOD, GIFTS,
LOCAL VENDORS, 50/50 DRAW,
RAFFLE, PENNY SALE,
CURIOSITY TABLE, CHRISTMAS
CORNER, BOOK TABLE &
CHILDREN'S AREA



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CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

HOW CAN YOU HELP OUR PARISH
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR?

CONSIDER MAKING A MONETARY DONATION



A SPECIAL ENVELOPE WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THIS.
ENVELOPES CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE PARISH OFFICE OR
PUT IN WITH THE COLLECTION AT WEEKEND MASSES.

THE PARISH IS SEEKING DONATIONS:

FOR OUR PENNY SALE:



- NEW KITCHEN ITEMS / HOUSEWARES / SMALL APPLIANCES
- NEW CHRISTMAS GIFTS
- NEW CHILDREN'S TOYS
- NEW PREARRANGED BASKETS OR ITEMS FOR GIFT BASKETS
- NEW GOURMET FOOD ITEMS (E.G. JAMS OR PASTAS)

FOR OUR LARGE RAFFLE:



- GIFT CERTIFICATES OR GIFT CARDS
- TELEVISION / BBQ OR OTHER NEW ITEMS
- ALCOHOLIC SPIRITS / BEER / WINE FOR OUR RAFFLE PRIZE

FOR OUR CURIOSITY TABLE:



- CHRISTMAS ITEMS
- GENTLY USED ITEMS
- NEW/GENTLY USED COSTUME JEWELRY
- BOOKS - COOKBOOKS, NOVELS & CHILDREN'S BOOKS

NO CLOTHING PLEASE

PLEASE BRING ALL DONATED ITEMS TO THE PARISH OFFICE DURING OFFICE
HOURS OR BEFORE/AFTER WEEKEND MASSES IN THE NARTHEX.
**THE LAST DAY TO DROP-OFF DONATED ITEMS OR MONETARY DONATIONS WILL
BE TUESDAY, NOV. 10TH.**

FRESHLY BAKED GOODS CAN BE DELIVERED ON:



- THURSDAY, NOV. 19TH FROM 9AM - 4PM (PARISH OFFICE)
- FRIDAY, NOV. 20TH UNTIL 7PM (PARISH CENTRE)
- SATURDAY, NOV. 21ST UNTIL 12PM (NOON) (PARISH CENTRE)



📍 ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Young Adults Group Event

SATURDAY OCTOBER 10TH 2026



EVENT SCHEDULE

5:30 PM - MASS

6:30 PM - HOLY HOUR ADORATION
AND CONFESSIONS

7:30 PM- FOOD & DRINKS SOCIAL

8:00 PM - TALK FROM
FR. MARK MORLEY ON THE ROSARY

8:15 PM - DISCUSSION/
Q & A WITH THE PRIESTS

8:30 PM - SOCIAL

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FR. GREG MERKLEY



FR. JEFF OEHRING



FR. MARK MORLEY

*Enjoy a night of
prayer, friends,
and fellowship!*

THANKSGIVING MASS

There will be mass on
Monday October 12th at 10:00am.

All are welcome!

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL AWARDS FOR LONG SERVICE

Last weekend, members of our parish's St. Vincent de Paul conference attended the annual Ozanam Dinner where awards for long service are celebrated. A big congratulations to the 7 members from our conference who received awards: Maria S. (10 years), Juliana J. (15 years), and those who began the conference 15 years ago and have remained active members ever since: Deacon Gian G., Anna L., Dan L., Rita S., and Dan S. May you all be richly blessed for your dedication to serving our neighbours in need, and thank you for your inspiring examples of faith in action. We also express our gratitude to Fr. Mark, Fr. Moices, and Josh for their presence at the dinner and for their support. St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BISHOP RYAN ASSEMBLY 868 FAITHFUL NAVIGATOR DINNER DANCE

**Saturday, November 14, 2026
St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall**

Mass with Stole Presentation: 5:30 pm
Doors open: 6:30 pm
Dinner served: 7:00 pm

Tickets are \$75 each, wine included

For tickets, please contact:

Parish Office 905-662-8593
Emile 289-339-6999
Peter 905-328-9199

All are welcome!

LIFE CHAIN AND PRAYER VIGIL SUNDAY, OCT 4 -(2:30 PM - 3:30 PM)

This Sunday, join thousands of people across Canada standing against abortion in a peaceful, prayerful demonstration. Jesus asked his apostles "Could you not watch one hour with me?" (Matthew 26:40). Can YOU spare just one hour to stand for God's children who have been killed by abortion?

This year's locations:

1. McMaster Children's Hospital
2. Upper James St. & Mohawk Rd.
3. St. Ann's Parish - 120 Sherman Ave. N (2:00 pm - 3:00 pm)
4. Centennial Pkwy & Queenston Rod
5. Hwy 8 & Grays Rd.

OCTOBER: A MONTH OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Fr. John Ha, our Vocations Director, invites all the faithful in the Diocese of Hamilton to pray for vocations throughout October.

As children of God, let us pray together for those discerning a call to the priesthood, diaconate, consecrated virginity, religious life and marriage. May they have the courage to listen to God's voice and respond with generous hearts. For more information, visit hamiltondiocese.com/vocations.

MEN'S DISCERNMENT GROUP

Fr. John Ha, our Vocations Director, invites all young men in the Diocese of Hamilton to join the Priesthood Discernment Group. Come for prayer, fellowship, and conversation as we explore God's call together. Whether you are just beginning to ask questions or have been considering the priesthood for some time, you are welcome. Feel free to invite a friend who may be interested. You do not need to have all the answers—simply come with an open heart. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. Visit hamiltondiocese.com/vocations. For more information, contact vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

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