

❖ Sunday Masses

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

❖ Children's Liturgy

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

❖ 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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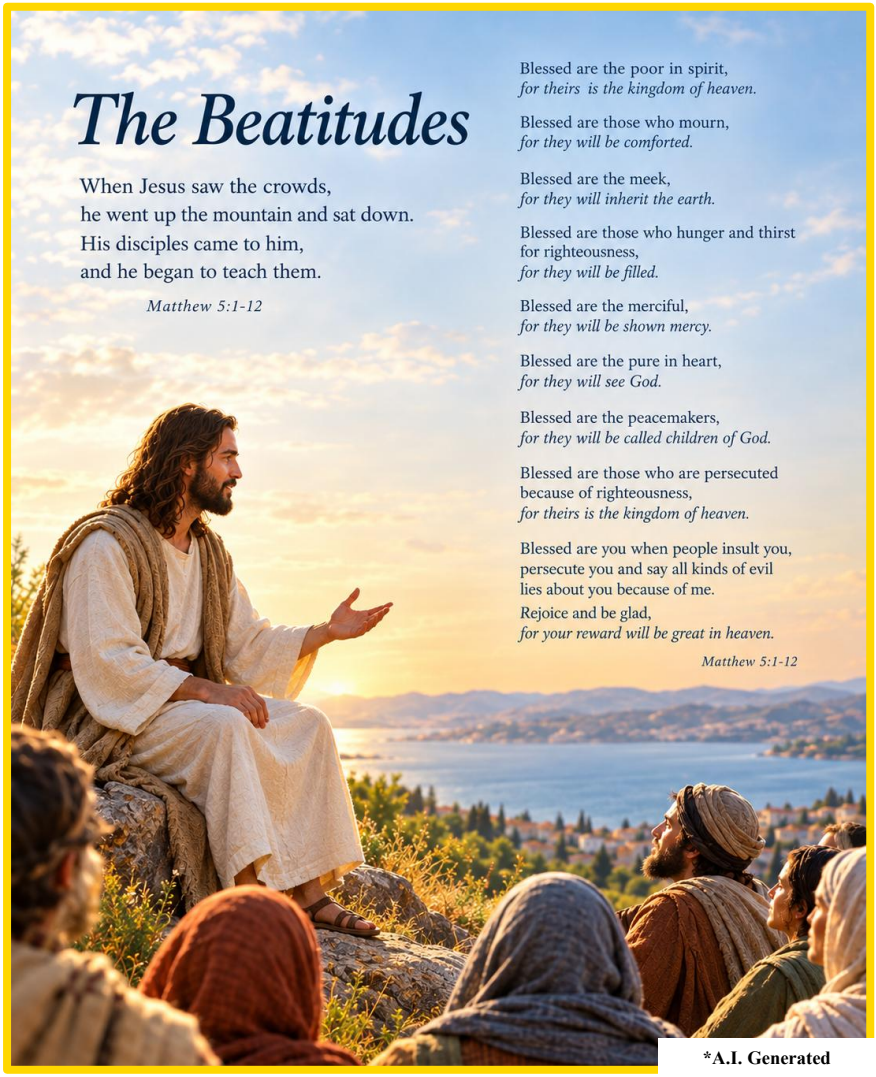

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 31 & November 1, 2026

❖ Parish Elementary Schools

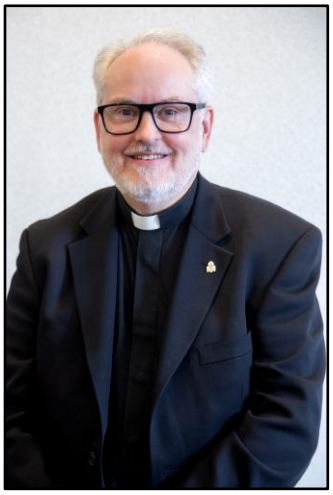
St. Francis Xavier ..... (905) 523-2333
St. Martin of Tours ..... (905) 523-2334
St. Agnes ..... (905) 560-7616
St. Clare of Assisi ..... (905) 523-2344
Our Lady of Peace ..... (905) 523-2330

❖ Parish Secondary School

St. John Henry Newman ..... (905) 523-2314

❖ PASTOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners,



November: The Month of Remembrance

Praying for those who have died is an act of love. As Catholics, we know this instinctively. When someone dies, we arrange for a Mass to be said for them. When we go to church we are used to hearing the names of the dead announced in the Mass intentions. If you would like to have your deceased loved ones and friends prayed for throughout the month of November, then please write their names in the **Book of Remembrance** on the table in front of the altar. At every Mass celebrated in the parish throughout November, those listed will be remembered in the intercessions. I also invite all parishioners to pray for the repose of their souls. My condolences to all of you who have recently lost family members and friends.

Burying the dead is a corporal work of mercy and praying for the dead is a spiritual work of mercy. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that: "The works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities. Instructing, advising, consoling, comforting are spiritual works of mercy, as are forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently. The corporal works of mercy consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead. Among all these, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity: it is also a work of justice pleasing to God." [2447.]

If you are wondering why the Book of Remembrance has replaced the kneeler in front of the altar, please note that Bishop Dabrowski has sent us the following memo on **Posture for Receiving Communion**: *The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (2010) reminds us that "a common bodily posture, to be observed by all those taking part, is a sign of the unity of the members of the Christian community gathered together for the Sacred Liturgy, for it expresses the intentions and spiritual attitude of the participants and fosters them." (GIRM, n. 42) The same instruction states that "in the Dioceses of Canada, Communion is to be received standing, though individual members of the faithful may choose to receive Communion while kneeling." (GIRM, n. 160) In the Diocese of Hamilton all the faithful are encouraged to observe a common posture for receiving Communion, namely, standing. All servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, and those in leadership roles in the liturgy are to model this posture. Individuals who choose to receive Communion kneeling are not to be refused. (Gathered into One, 2018)*

Please pray for Bishop Dabrowski and for fraternal unity among the faithful of our diocese, and may our prayers of remembrance for our deceased family members and friends as well as our deceased bishops, priests and deacons enkindle our hearts such that our works of mercy for the dead spill over into our lives as works of mercy for the living.

God bless,

Father Mark Morley
Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3 **8:00AM**
+ Manuel & Maria De Medeiros

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4 **8:00AM**
+ Katarzyna Bury

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4 **7:00PM**
+ Jason McClure
+ Larry Micheli
+ Luisa DiDiodato
+ Ines Lafratta
+ Lidia Putigna
- Intentions of the St. Francis Prayer Network

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5 **8:00AM**
+ Cody & Christopher Shepard

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6 **8:00AM**
+ Giuseppe Giacoboni

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7 **5:30PM**
+ Raffaele & Linda Antonelli
+ Baldassare Lupo
+ Sara Di Paolo
+ Zolzislav Iodlovski
+ Deceased Members of the Albini & Coccaro Families
+ Padre Giuseppe Goffredo
+ Saverino & Giovannina Fratipietro
+ Domenico Pace
+ Rosina & Liberatore Pace
+ Franco & Florinda Cavallaro
+ Luigi & Giovanna Cavallaro
+ Cesidia & Lucia Cavallaro
+ Stefano Fortunato
+ Carmelo Pettorossi
+ Agostino Di Nunzio
+ Michael & Zenko Litniansky
+ Mariano Grande
+ Elso Tornincasa
+ Liberata Continelli
+ Ernesto Caruso
- Special Intentions for Nicole

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 **9:00AM**
+ Vincenzo & Genuina Bevilacqua

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 **11:00AM**
- Mass for the Parishioners

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Tuesday – 3rd	8:00am – Mass
	7:00pm – Card Club
Wednesday – 4th	8:00am – Mass
	7:00pm – Mass
	7:30pm – KofC General Meeting
	7:30pm – CWL Meeting
Thursday – 5th	8:00am – Mass
	7:00pm – Bible Study
	7:30pm – KofC 4th Degree Meeting
Friday – 6th	8:00am – Mass
	8:30am – Adoration (to 9:30am)
Saturday – 7th	4:30pm – Confessions
	5:30pm – Mass
	6:30pm – Young Adults Night
Sunday – 8th	9:00am – Mass
	11:00am – Mass

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday November 2 – All Souls Day
Job 19.1, 23-27; Psalm 103; 1 Corinthians 15.20-23; John 12.23-26

Tuesday November 3
Philippians 2.5-11; Psalm 22.25-26, 27, 28-29, 30-31; Luke 14.15-24

Wednesday November 4 – St. Charles Borromeo
Philippians 2.12-18; Psalm 27.1, 4, 13-14; Luke 14.25-33

Thursday November 5
Philippians 3.3-8; Psalm 105.2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Luke 15.1-10

Friday November 6
Philippians 3.17-21; 4.1; Psalm 122.1-2, 3-5; Luke 16.1-8

Saturday November 7
Philippians 4.10-19; Psalm 112.1-2, 5-6, 8+9; Luke 16.9-15

Sunday November 8
Wisdom 6.12-16; Psalm 63.1, 2-3, 4-5, 6-7; 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18; Matthew 25.1-13

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All Souls Day	Rev. Nishil Varghese, C.M.I	Deceased Priests of the Diocese of Hamilton	Rev. Lawrence Parent	Rev. Jonathan Reitzel	Rev. Ivica Majstorovic, O.F.M.

OFFERTORY

Envelope Contributions	$ 6,055.00
Loose Collections	$ 1,508.35
Online Donations	$ 1,466.22
TOTAL COLLECTION	**$ 9,029.57**

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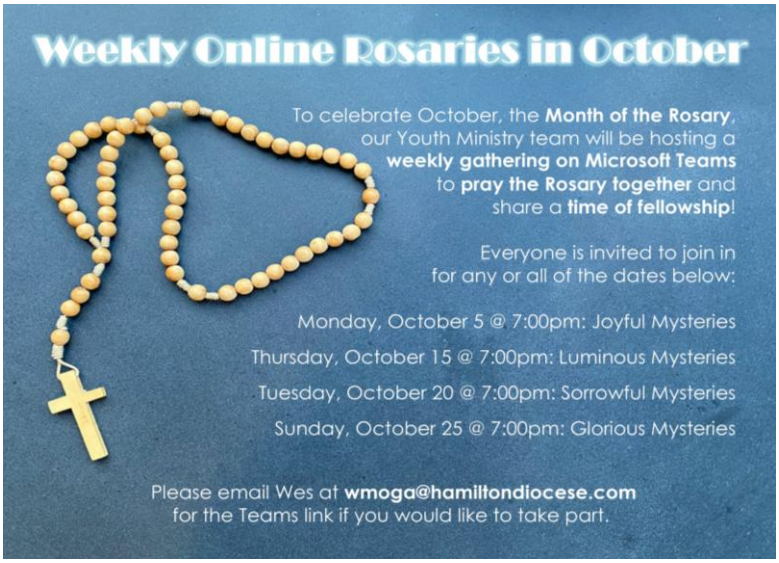
Thank You!



Operation Christmas Child

Pack a Shoebox! The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Through this project, Samaritan's Purse partners with the local church worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the nations. Every year they collect shoebox gifts filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items for children around the world. Since 1993, more than 188 million children in more than 170 countries have received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox. The project delivers not only the joy of what, for many kids, is their first gift ever, but also gives them a concrete expression of God's love. Would you be interested in packing a shoebox of gifts for a child this year? Boxes and instructional pamphlets will be available in the Narthex. This year's drop-off dates are from November 16th - November 22nd.

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!

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Saint Vincent de Paul
Hamilton, Ontario

CAN YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS A MONTH TO HELP PEOPLE IN NEED?

Consider Volunteering at our SSVP Thrift Store. Everyone is welcome! Email Rita at ritassvphamilton@gmail.com.

See this short video for more info
https://ssvphamiltonpc.org/store/



Hearing a call to a VOCATION to serve the Church?
Contact Rev. John Ha at:
vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

Mass Intentions for 2027

As is our custom, we will be accepting Mass intentions for 2027 beginning **November 3, 2026.** During this month, each family is allowed to request up to **3 masses**:

- **one** Sunday morning Mass
- **two** weekday Masses (Tuesday - Saturday).

As of December 1, 2026 the book will be open to accept all other requests.

Permanent Deacon Information Session:

For anyone who is interested in the Diaconate and/or wants more information about what is required and what is involved in the Admission process and Formation program, are invited to either of two Information Sessions:

1. **Nov. 22nd, 2026, at St. Catherine of Siena Parish**, 620 Rymal Rd. E, Hamilton after 11am mass.
2. **Dec 6th, 2026, at St. Anthony Daniel Parish**, 29 Midland Dr., Kitchener after 11am mass.

You are welcome to attend the 11am Sunday Mass where Deacon Tom Vert, the Associate Director of the Deacon program will be preaching. Afterwards we will have the Information Session in the parish Hall. There will be a short presentation and then a question-and-answer session, with light refreshments. Also, we will be available for anyone wanting to speak privately.

For more information about this session, feel free to contact:

Deacon Tom Vert, Associate Director Deacon Formation Program,
tvert@hamiltondiocese.com
OR
Fr. Mark Gatto, Director of the Deacon Formation Program, **mgatto@hamiltondiocese.com**



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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

YOUTH MINISTRY

GENEROSITY OF PARISHIONERS

BIBLE STUDY

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, CONTACT 905-662-8593

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)



SATURDAY NOV 7TH 2026

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH

304 ON-8, STONEY CREEK



HOLY HOUR
CHURCH
6:30 to 7:30 pm

SOCIAL
WITH FOOD
7:30 pm to 8:00 pm

LIVE BAND
DIVINE PRAISES
8:00 to 9:00 pm

COMPLINE
NIGHT PRAYER
9:00 pm

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VOCATIONS TESTIMONY

All Souls' Day Mass

Monday November 2nd at 8am
Commemoration of
All the Faithful Departed
Doors will be open at 7:30am.

All are welcome!

Young Adults: Follow Us on Instagram

For information on any upcoming young adult events and more, visit our Instagram page. You can scan the QR Code to view it.

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT

Fr. John Ha, our Vocations Director, invites all young adults in their **20s and 30s** across the Diocese of Hamilton to an evening of prayer, fellowship, and praise music. Come meet other young adults and find encouragement as you discern and live out God's call. Join us at on **Saturday, November 7, 2026** from 6:30pm–9:00pm at **St. Francis Xavier Church** (304 Hwy 8, Stoney Creek, ON L8G 1E6). Bring a friend—all young adults are welcome! Sponsored by the **Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton**. Visit hamiltondiocese.com/vocations.

For more information,contact vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

Knights of Columbus Council 7969
Pierogi Dinner
Take Out Only



Thursday November 5, 2026
3:00pm to 6:00pm
St. Francis Xavier Parish Centre
304 Highway 8, Stoney Creek, ON

Adults: $15 Children (8 & under): $10

Everyone is welcome!

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