

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**January 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> – Ferial**

9:00 a.m. **Int. Maria Cabral**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Ferial**

9:00 a.m. **Int. Gabriel & Susan Mamnone**  
-Anna Eberl

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> – Ferial**

9:00 a.m. **+James Villamere**  
-Jane Brenner  
**+Ildebrando Silveira**  
-Maria Silveira

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> – Ferial**

9:00 a.m. **Int. Sherri & Peter Guinta**  
-Anne Pritchard

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m. **+Doreen Hehn**  
-The Hehn Family  
**+Doreen Ellert**  
-Pat Ellert & Family  
**+Alice Preiditsch**  
-Anne Darby-Watchorn  
**+Randy Hepditch**  
-Maria Cabral  
**+Marilyn Alston**  
-The Haller Family

**Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 a.m. **+Samantha Ball**  
-Wanda Deschamps  
11:00 a.m. **For Parishioners of St. Francis**

**Stewardship Report**

Solemnity of Mary	\$2,048.50
January 3/4	\$4,129.65
2026 Total Collection	\$6,178.15
2026 Total Budget	TBC

**What's Happening this Week?**

**Monday**

Senior Gentle Exercise (H)	2:30 pm
OEA (H)	7:00 pm

**Wednesday**

Senior Gentle Exercise (H)	2:30 pm
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**Sunday**

Children's Liturgy	@9am Mass
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**Diocesan Prayer Calendar**

Mon. Jan 12: **Rev. Scott Whitfield**  
Tues. Jan 13: **Rev. Stanley Nwokeji**  
Wed. Jan. 14: **Sisters of St. John the Baptist, C.S.J.B.**  
Thu. Jan 15: **Rev. Peter Robinson**  
Fri. Jan 16: **Rev. James Petrie**  
Sat. Jan 17: **Married Couples**

**2025 TAX RECEIPTS**

Your 2025 Donation Tax Receipts will be printed in January. **When they are ready** we will invite you to pick them up after Mass or in the parish office, or mail them to those who cannot pick them up. Thank you for your generous support this year.

**Poinsettias to Take Home**

As we move into the Ordinary Time liturgical season, the decorations in our church are being put away. We still have lots of Poinsettias that are in need of a home and have been placed at the front entrance of the church. Please help yourself as you exit. First

come first serve. Please do not remove any that are on the altar.

**1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion –Parent Meeting Tuesday January 20<sup>th</sup>**

A reminder that the first parent meeting for all those with children in grade 2 or above, who wish to receive their Sacrament this year, is on **Tuesday January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM** in the church. It is important that you attend so you are aware of the schedule that is required to properly prepare your child. If you have any questions, please contact Lei Ann at the parish office.

**The Kitchener Knights of Columbus seeking new members**

Being a Knight means more than fellowship - it's about serving the community, supporting the Church, and strengthening family life. Experience the joy of giving, as well as making a difference through faith and service. Join us January 17/18 after the masses to learn more. Members of Council 1504 will be available to answer questions and welcome new Catholic men to our brotherhood.

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - January 18<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an annual ecumenical celebration. Christians around the world are invited to pray for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship. The worldwide celebration of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is both the seed and the fruit of this striving for 'unity in diversity'. This time of shared prayer, reflection, and

fellowship invites Christians of different traditions to deepen our relationships and to live and witness together throughout the year." - [www.weekofprayer.ca](http://www.weekofprayer.ca)

**Taking Down Christmas Décor**

Just a reminder that we will be taking down the Christmas decorations in the church this Saturday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m., as we move out of the Christmas Season. If you're able to assist, please come on out and join us! Many hands make light work. Thank you to all who have already volunteered and to those who help with the initial setup.

**Resurrectionist Vocation Minute**

Baptism of the Lord

Our vocations – whether to consecrated religious life, the priesthood, marriage, or the single life – may be likened to Jesus' call to and at the Jordan. God calls, prompting a journey with a direction, a trajectory. We respond generously, humbly. God does the rest. To what is God calling you? How will you respond?

Fr. Eric Wagner, CR;  
[resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com](mailto:resurrectionistvocation@gmail.com)

**Around Town**

**Thomas Toast** - The Communio Circle of the Diocese of Hamilton invites you to our annual Thomas Toast event on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at St. Anthony Daniel Church, 29 Midland Dr., Kitchener, ON. Coffee will be available when the doors of the hall open at 9:30am. At 10:00am we will gather for

Daytime Prayer and a talk by Dr. Peter Erb entitled: "Newman, Aquinas, and Pryzwara Revisited" followed by a toast to Thomas and a social until 12:00pm. For more information visit: [communionhamiltondiocese.org](http://communionhamiltondiocese.org), or contact Father Mark Morley: [mmorley@communionhamiltondiocese.org](mailto:mmorley@communionhamiltondiocese.org), or Deacon Charles Fernandes: 519-923-0454.

### From the Diocese

**THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – SAVE THE DATE!** Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2025? Then you are cordially invited to join Bishop Crosby and couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, May 31, 2026**, at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only – those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration will be available online in January at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com).

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD** - The Diocese of Hamilton provides formation for Ministers of the Word to exercise a very important ministry at Mass. In this workshop, participants receive formation in *Liturgy and Ministry, Techniques to Proclaim the Word of God, and an opportunity to practice*. It is ideal for both parishioners new to this ministry or considering it, as well as a good refresher for experienced Ministers of the Word. There is always good participant sharing. Participation is limited to 75 people. The cost is \$35 and includes lunch. *Saturday, January 24, 2026, St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Waterdown, ON, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.* Participants register through the Diocese of Hamilton website under Upcoming Events/Workshops:

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**Workshop on Synodality** - The [Office for Evangelization and Catechesis](#) invites you to join our three-part workshop series on Synodality and its applications in local parish settings. This seminar is encouraged for those involved in parish councils, pastoral planning, and leadership at all levels of Catholic community living. There will be 2 locations for each 3-part session series: Hamilton (with a Zoom option) and, Guelph. **Please only register at 1 location.** Light refreshments will be provided at each session. Register at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/events/2025/1/1/speaking-synodality/>. Contact [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com) or (905) 528-7988 ext. 2339 if you have any questions.

**REEL JUSTICE FILM FESTIVAL** Join the Reel Justice Film Festival **January 22, 2026 7:00 – 9:00 PM** for a screening of **PUSH**. Housing prices are skyrocketing in cities around the world. Incomes are not. **PUSH** examines our increasingly unlivable cities and an escalating crisis that has an effect on us all. Housing is not a commodity, it is a human right. The screening and discussion will be hosted online via Zoom. Register and view our full schedule of events at: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/reel-justice-film-festival/>. A partnership between the Bishop Farrell Library & Archives and Development and Peace, the Reel Justice Film Festival shines a spotlight on issues of social, political, and economic injustices.

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Administered by the Congregation of the Resurrection: [www.resurrectionists.ca](http://www.resurrectionists.ca)

### Lord's Day Masses

Saturday at 5:00 pm  
Sunday at 9:00 am & 11:00 am

### Weekday Masses

Tuesday – Friday at 9:00 am

### Kerala Roman Catholic Mass

Celebrated by Fr. Stephen Gilbert  
Sunday at 5:30 p.m.

### Reconciliation

Saturday from 4:00 – 4:30 pm  
or by appointment.

### Prayer Network

Call parish office to request prayers

### Funerals, Baptisms, Marriages

Please call the parish office.

### Vocations Information:

[Hamilton Diocese Congregation of the Resurrection](http://HamiltonDioceseCongregationoftheResurrection)

<b>Pastor:</b>	Fr. Paul Voisin, C.R. ( <a href="mailto:pvoisin@hamiltondiocese.com">pvoisin@hamiltondiocese.com</a> )
<b>Priest in Res.</b>	Fr. Murray McDermott, C.R. ( <a href="mailto:mmcdermott@hamiltondiocese.com">mmcdermott@hamiltondiocese.com</a> )
<b>Deacon:</b>	Rev. Mr. Philip Fernandez ( <a href="mailto:pfernandez@hamiltondiocese.com">pfernandez@hamiltondiocese.com</a> )
<b>Pastoral Minister:</b>	Lei Ann Wade ( <a href="mailto:lawade@hamiltondiocese.com">lawade@hamiltondiocese.com</a> )
<b>Music Ministry:</b>	Mrs. Terrianne Moulton
<b>Admin. Assistant:</b>	Mrs. Amanda Michaels
<b>Building Manager:</b>	Mr. Lazaro Escobar
<b>Asst. Building Mgr.:</b>	Mr. Gary Howell

### Parish Office

Monday – Friday 8:30 am – noon & 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm



**"We are a Christ-centered faith community seeking to be instruments of God's peace."**

## **January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026** **The Baptism of the Lord**

**"The heavens were opened and the Father's voice was heard: this is my Son, the beloved; listen to him!"**

